CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet Member for Environment** held on Thursday, 20th March, 2014 at Fred Flint Room, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor D Topping

Councillors in Attendance

Councillor L Brown Councillor J Saunders

Officers

Stephanie Cordon, Head of Communities Neil Roberts, Accessibility Officer Rachel Graves, Democratic Services Officer

28 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

29 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

30 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

31 TRANSPORT GRANT SCHEME - LARGE GRANT BUSINESS PLANS

At the Cabinet Member for Environment meeting on 10 March 2014 the two applications from Poynton Town Council were deferred in order to allow further time for the preparation of the supporting business plans.

Poynton Town Council was proposing to use two surplus Council vehicles allocated under the Vehicle Allocation Scheme to operate a minibus service in the Poynton LAP area. A detailed business plan had been developed with financial projections which identified income and expenditure over the first three years and demonstrated how the project would be sustained beyond the funding period. Further information had been provided since deferral, which had resulted in a more robust proposal. It was therefore recommended that £45,000 be awarded.

Poynton Town Council also proposed to establish a Shopmobility scheme in the town, which would be located in the Co-operative Independent Living store. Following deferral on 10 March a more detailed business plan had been developed identifying expenditure and revenue streams (e.g. membership and equipment hire fees) to demonstrate how the project would be sustainable beyond the funding period. It was therefore recommended that $\pounds17,000$ be awarded.

RESOLVED:

That approval be given to the two large grant business plan awards as follows:

Ref No	Organisation	Recommendation
TAG 13	Poynton Town Council – Minibus Service	Award - £45,000
TAG 25	Poynton Town Council – Shopmobility	Award - £17,500

The meeting commenced at 9.03 am and concluded at 9.08 am

Councillor D Topping