

Children, Families and Adult Safeguarding Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Agenda

Date: Monday, 6th October, 2014

Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields, Middlewich Road,

Sandbach CW11 1HZ

The agenda is divided into 2 parts. Part 1 is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part 2 items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and at the foot of each report.

PART 1 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in any item on the agenda.

3. **Minutes of Previous meeting** (Pages 1 - 4)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 1 September 2014.

4. Public Speaking Time

For requests for further information

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A total period of 15 minutes is allocated for members of the public to make a statement(s) on any matter that falls within the remit of the Committee.

Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes, but the Chairman will decide how the period of time allocated for public speaking will be apportioned, where there are a number of speakers.

Note: In order for officers to undertake any background research, it would be helpful if members of the public contacted the Scrutiny officer listed at the foot of the agenda, at least one working day before the meeting to provide brief details of the matter to be covered.

5. Special Education Needs

Fintan Bradley, Head of Service: Strategy, Planning & Performance to provide a presentation.

6. Home to School Transport (Pages 5 - 6)

To consider a report Fintan Bradley, Head of Service: Strategy, Planning & Performance

7. **Improvement Board**

The Director of Children Services/Chairman to provide an oral update on Improvement Board matters.

8. **Work Programme** (Pages 7 - 14)

To consider a report of the Head of Governance and Democratic Services.

9. **Forward Plan** (Pages 15 - 26)

To note the current forward plan, identify any new items, and to determine whether any further examination of new issues is appropriate.

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Children, Families and Adult Safeguarding Overview and Scrutiny Committee

held on Monday, 1st September, 2014 at Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor P Hoyland (Chairman)
Councillor A Moran (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors R Domleo, I Faseyi, D Flude and G Merry and H Murray

Apologies

Councillors C Andrew and J Saunders

1 ALSO PRESENT

Rachel Bailey – Children Families and Adult safeguarding Portfolio Holder Rhoda Bailey – Deputy Cabinet Member Stewart Gardiner - Deputy Cabinet Member

2 OFFICERS PRESENT

Tony Crane – Director of Children's Services
Mark Bayley – Principal Manager, Quality Assurance
Nigel Moorhouse – Head of Service Social Care
Fintan Bradley – Head of Service Strategy Planning and Performance
Ann Gadsden – Monitoring and Intervention Manager
Gill Betton – Children's Improvement and Intervention Manager

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

4 DECLARATION OF PARTY WHIP

There were no declarations of the existence of a party whip.

5 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME

There were no members of the public present who wished to speak.

6 RELATIONSHIP WITH SCHOOLS AND RAISING ACHIEVEMENT

Councillor Ken Edwards attended the meeting and addressed the committee in respect of this matter.

The Committee considered a report of the Corporate Manager: Standards and Learning concerning relationships with schools and the raising achievement plan for Cheshire East.

Over the past 5 years, the Council had improved education standards in all areas resulting in a position where 85% of all learners attended a school which was a good or outstanding. However, the Council and its partners were still committed to raising standards even further to ensure that the best educational opportunities were available to all.

Although the Council retained a statutory duty to promote high standards, ensuring fair access to educational opportunities, and promoting young peoples learning potential wherever they were educated, it was acknowledged that the Council's influence in respect of academies was limited. However, academies were monitored through a regional schools commissioning structure. Cheshire East was a member of the West Midlands group.

In response to a question about school funding, the Committee was informed that 94% of government funding went directly to schools, leaving the Council with a sum in the region of £18 million allocated to the school programme.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the report be received;
- (b) That an informal Members awareness session be arranged to be held before the start of the next meeting of the committee on 6 October 2014 to explore the main issues affecting school improvement.

7 RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF SOCIAL WORKERS

Nigel Moorhouse gave a presentation on recent changes made in respect of the Council's the recruitment and retention arrangements for social workers. The presentation provided an update on the progress of a project that the former Children and Families Policy Development Group (PDG) had been involved in during the latter part of 2013 running into 2014.

The PDG had interviewed a number of social workers in 2013 and had made a number of recommendations regarding the improvement of working conditions which included amongst other things upgrading ICT for social workers.

Nigel explained that the Council's recruitment programme had to be understood in the national context of there being a poor supply of competent agency social workers and managers, which had led to a high churn of agency social workers in 2013/14.

A recruitment action group had been established within the Council which had led to the social work service in Cheshire East being re-branded.

Working conditions had now improved significantly with dedicated office space, improved ICT and reduced caseloads although it was acknowledged that a third recruitment campaign was still required to fill a number of vacancies.

The current position was that 16 social workers and 3 practice managers had been recruited. All manager posts in Macclesfield were now filled and those in Crewe were expected to be filled by 1 October 2014.

RESOLVED – That the Committees appreciation for the progress made in respect of the recruitment and retention of social workers be placed on record.

8 POTENTIAL AREAS FOR SCRUTINY INVOLVEMENT

Tony Crane outlined some key topics within the Children's directorate which were considered appropriate for scrutiny activity, some of which already featured in the committee's draft work programme.

The topics were:

- Safeguarding and in particular corporate parenting especially in connection with the Council's new delivery vehicles such as the Council's new Leisure Trust:
- Social worker HR Policies:
- SEN Policy development of a policy in line with new legislation
- LSCB the effectiveness of and the Council's relationship.

RESOLVED – That the matters above be included in the Committees work programme.

9 WORK PROGRAMME

The committee reviewed its work programme having regard to the discussions held under the previous item.

The Committee suggested that the item to develop an SEN policy under the new legislation would benefit from the input of the Director of Public health.

In connection with the item regarding home to school transport, the committee expressed the view that although it was still important to follow up the work of the 2011 task and finish group, there was now a wider issue for the committee to look at, particularly if the Council pursued its intention to set up a transport company.

RESOLVED -

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- (a) That the work programme be updated to include the additional items outlined by the Head of Children's Services;
- (b) That an update report be submitted to the next meeting of the committee on the home to school transport recommendations;
- (c) That the item relating to school allocation of places in the north of the borough be deleted;
- (d) That 6 monthly progress reports be submitted to the Committee on safeguarding issues;
- (e) That a standing item regarding the Improvement board be placed on all future agendas

10 FORWARD PLAN

The Committee considered items listed in the current forward plan.

RESOLVED – That the Forward Plan be received.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 4.45 pm

Councillor P Hoyland (Chairman)

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date of Meeting: 6th October 2014

Report of: Director, Children's Services

Subject/Title: Update on Home to School Transport

Portfolio Holder: Rachel Bailey

- 1. In April 2012, after significant consideration by a member Task and Finish Group, extensive consultation with key stake holders Cabinet resolved to make the following changes to the Home to School Transport Policy.
 - a. That free transport will no longer be provided for children attending denominational schools through parental choice on the grounds of a parent's religion/faith; withdrawal of which to take place for all students whether current recipients or future applicants from September 2012. Exceptions are to be provided for secondary-school age children from low income families attending a choice of their 3 nearest qualifying schools between 2 and 6 miles from home, or up to a maximum of 15 miles to the nearest school preferred by reason of a parent's religion or belief, in accordance with statutory responsibilities.
 - b. That the savings resulting from the withdrawal of entitlement on grounds of religion/faith in 2012/13 be redirected to provide one-off funding to the affected educational establishments; this money is to be ring-fenced accordingly. Each establishment will have freedom over how it uses this one-off funding to support alternative travel options to students. It is estimated that such savings will be of the order of£150,000, which will be distributed on an equitable basis to relevant establishments.
 - c. That a reduced devolved grant £375,000 a year (equating to approximately 50% of current net expenditure) be offered to all Sixth Forms and Further Education Colleges accepting Cheshire East resident students for post 16 mainstream transport subsidies and for this money is to be ring-fenced accordingly. Each Sixth Form or College will determine the basis of support to each student taking account both the needs of the students and the establishments themselves. The respective grants, to be awarded on the basis of the 2011/12 data and the efficacy of this to be reviewed yearly.

- d. That the Council, in full partnership and consultation with parents, carers and special schools, look at alternatives around Special Educational Needs transport to improve outcomes by promoting a positive culture of independence for children, young people and families. In addition, the Council will undertake further reviews of provision such as where transport is provided by way of the Education and Inspections Act (2006) and social care transport needs.
- 2. At the time of the decision an identified risk was that parents/ students will choose alternative educational establishments should transport subsidy be reduced. It was felt that this may result in some children becoming eligible for transport on alternative statutory grounds such as the nearest suitable establishment being located beyond the statutory walking distance. This risk has not manifested itself and pupil churn in the system has been minimal.
- 3. Both Catholic High schools within the borough have now established their own home to school arrangements and in fact there has been minimum impact on pupil numbers. This is reflected in the primary sector for both Roman Catholic Schools and Church of England Schools.
- The Authority's statutory obligations in regard to Home to School transport are kept under regular review in the context of Department for Education guidance.

Home to School Transport and Transport Solutions Limited

- 5. Cabinet has previously approved (1 April 2014) to the implementation of Transport Service Solutions Ltd (TSSL); a council owned and controlled company, for the delivery of transport services, including home to school transport.
- 6. That proposal was in accord with the Councils' declared intent of becoming a strategic commissioning authority with a hard split between commissioning and service delivery and with a focus on stimulating innovation, efficiency and staff involvement whilst delivering against challenging budgetary targets.
- 7. The work aligns with the Council's overall direction of travel, having created a number of such companies recently. These have all gone 'live' only after careful consideration of the business case for each and the establishment of robust financial and governance arrangements.
- 8. The provision of home to school transport will be undertaken by the new Transport Service Solutions Company. Extensive work has been undertaken to develop a service level agreement with the company to ensure that the Council fulfils its statutory responsibilities in regard to home to school transport. The agreement has been developed to ensure that there will be minimal impact on those eligible for home to school transport.

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

REPORT TO: CHILDREN FAMILIES AND ADULT SAEGUARDING OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting: 6 October 2014

Report of: Head of Governance and Democratic Services

Subject/Title: Work Programme update

1.0 Report Summary

1.1 To review items in the 2014/2015 Work Programme listed in the schedule attached, together with any other items suggested by Committee Members.

2.0 Recommendations

That the 2014/2015 work programme be reviewed.

3.0 Reasons for Recommendations

3.1 It is good practice to agree and review the Work Programme to enable effective management of the Committee's business.

4.0 Wards Affected

- 4.1 All
- 5.0 Local Ward Members
- 5.1 Not applicable.
- 6.0 Policy Implications including Carbon reduction Health
- 6.1 Not known at this stage.

7.0 Financial Implications

- 7.1 Not known at this stage.
- 8.0 Legal Implications
- 8.1 None.

9.0 Risk Management

9.1 There are no identifiable risks.

10.0 Background and Options

10.1 Members are asked to review the schedule attached to this report, and if appropriate, add new items or delete items that no longer require any scrutiny activity. When selecting potential topics, Members should have regard to the Council's new three year plan and also to the general criteria listed below, which should be applied to all potential items when considering whether any Scrutiny activity is appropriate.

The following questions should be asked in respect of each potential work programme item:

- Does the issue fall within a corporate priority;
- Is the issue of key interest to the public;
- Does the matter relate to a poor or declining performing service for which there is no obvious explanation;
- Is there a pattern of budgetary overspends;
- Is it a matter raised by external audit management letters and or audit reports?
- Is there a high level of dissatisfaction with the service;
- 10.2 If during the assessment process any of the following emerge, then the topic should be rejected:
 - The topic is already being addressed elsewhere
 - The matter is subjudice
 - Scrutiny cannot add value or is unlikely to be able to conclude an investigation within the specified timescale

11 Access to Information

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report writer:

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Upcoming Meetings	Date:6 October 2014 Time:2.oopm Venue: Committee Suite, Westfields	Date: 3 November 2014 Time:2.00pm Venue: Committee Suite Westfields	Date: 1 December 2014 Time:2.00pm Venue: Committee Suite Westfields	Date: 13 January 2015 Time:2.00pm Venue: Committee Suite Westfields
Item	Notes	Lead Officer/ Portfolio Holder	Action to be Taken	Key Dates/Deadlines
Ofsted Inspection	Standard item to be included in all future agendas: Improvement Board matters.	Head of Children's Services, Safeguarding Children and Adults Portfolio Holder	Awaiting the appointment of the Chairman of this Committee to the Improvement Board	Continuing
Care Leavers	Awaiting formal response from Cabinet to the Children and Families and Health reports	Head of Children's Services, Safeguarding Children and Adults Portfolio Holder		TBA
Relationship with Schools	Task & Finish Group established by Children & Families PDG To consider the School Improvement raising Achievement Strategic Plan	Head of Children's Services, Safeguarding Children and Adults Portfolio Holder	Informal training session to be provided for members of the committee	6 October 2014
Recruitment & retention of Staff.	The impact of changes to terms	Head of Children's Services,	Delegation from the committee to	TBA

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Social Workers/Review of HR Policies	conditions to be monitored and revisited by the in 6 months and a subsequent review of HR policies to be undertaken	Safeguarding Children and Adults Portfolio Holder	interview Social Workers involved in the PDG discussions	
Public Health – responsibility for 5- 19 year olds	To consider how will the Council implement public health responsibilities and influence children's lifestyles. This came out of Corporate Scrutiny's review of the Ofsted inspection report in March 2013	Head of Children's Services Director of Public health, Safeguarding Children and Adults Portfolio Holder, and Care and Adults in the Community Portfolio Holder	A briefing to be provided for members of the Committee.	TBA
Special Education Needs	Involvement of members in the production of a policy to comply with new legislation required	Head of Children's Services, Safeguarding Children and Adults Portfolio Holder	Draft Policy to be considered by the Committee	6 October 2014
Home to School Transport	To follow up recommendations approved by Cabinet in response to the 2011 Scrutiny review	Head of Children's Services, Safeguarding Children and Adults Portfolio		TBA

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		Holder		
Early Years	Develop policies for i) engaging with the third sector; and ii) the Council's new commissioning role Progress reported to March meeting and PDG approved recommendations subject to further exploration of financial details by sub group	Head of Children's Services, Safeguarding Children and Adults Portfolio Holder	Take up of the two year old offer to be reviewed	April 2015
Local Children's Safeguarding Board (LSCB)	Build relationship between the committee and Board	Head of Children's Services, Safeguarding Children and Adults Portfolio Holder	Invite the Chairman of the LSCB to a future meeting	TBA
Safegarding - update	6 monthly progress reports	Head of Children's Services, Safeguarding Children and Adults Portfolio Holder		TBA





FORWARD PLAN - 31 JANUARY 2015

This Plan sets out the key decisions which the Executive expect to take over the period indicated above. The Plan is rolled forward every month. Key decisions are defined in the Council's Constitution as:-

"an executive decision which is likely -

- (a) to result in the local authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the local authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- (b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising one or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.

For the purpose of the above, savings or expenditure are "significant" if they are equal to or greater than £500,000."

Reports relevant to key decisions, and any listed background documents, may be viewed at any of the Councils Offices/Information Centres 5 days before the decision is to be made. Copies of, or extracts from these documents, may be obtained on the payment of a reasonable fee from the following address:-

Democratic Services Team Cheshire East Council , c/o Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach Cheshire CW11 1HZ Telephone: 01270 686472

However, it is not possible to make available for viewing or to supply copies of reports or documents, the publication of which is restricted due to confidentiality of the information contained.

A record of the decision for each key decision is published within 6 days of it having been made. This is open for public inspection on the Council's Website, at Council Information Centres and Council Offices.

This Forward Plan also provides notice that the Cabinet may decide to take a decision in private. In accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, 28 days notice must be given of any decisions to be made in private by the Cabinet, with provision for the public to make representations as to why they should be made in public. In these cases Members of the Council and the public may make representations in writing to the Democratic Services Team Manager using the contact details below. A further notice of intention to hold the meeting in private must then be published 5 clear days before the meeting setting out any representations received about why the meeting should be held in public with a response from the Leader and the Cabinet.

The list of decisions in this Forward Plan indicates whether a decision is to be taken in private, with the reason category for that decision being taken in private being drawn from the list overleaf:

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- 1. Information relating to an individual
- 2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual
- 3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including to authority holding that information)
- 4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under the authority
- 5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal and professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings
- 6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes (a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment
- 7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation of prosecution of crime

If you would like to make representations about any decision to be conducted in private at a meeting then please email

Paul Mountford, Democratic Services Officer paul.mountford@cheshitreeast.gov.uk

Such representations must be received at least 10 clear working days before the date of the Cabinet or Portfolio Holder meeting concerned.

Where it has not been possible to meet the 28 day rule for publication of notice of a key decision or intention to meet in private the relevant notices will be published as soon as possible in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution.

The law and the Council's Constitution provides for urgent key decisions to be made. Any decision made in this way will be published for these in the same way.



Forward Plan to 31 January 2015

Key Decision and Private Non-Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 14/15-5 Alderley Park Investment Fund	To authorise the officers to take all necessary actions to undertake the proposed investment as recommended by the Independent Options Appraisal.	Cabinet	16 Sep 2014			No
CE 14/15-20 Brownfield Site Development	Within Cheshire East there are a number of town centre brownfield sites that are suitably located for housing and commercial development which if delivered would reduce the need for development on green land, however many of these have failed to be delivered.	Cabinet	16 Sep 2014		Karen Carsberg	
	To endorse the approach in relation to Brownfield development with a focus on Macclesfield as a pilot area for research and bid development.					

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 14/15-22 Key Worker Accommodation	To consider an approach to facilitating the inclusion of key workers in housing policy, setting out an interim and formal approach through the planning process. The decision will be to authorise: 1. an interim approach, including the definition of a key worker; 2. officers to carry out the primary research to establish the need for key worker housing provision; 3. the need for key worker housing provision, once established, to be incorporated into the development of the Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document.	Cabinet	16 Sep 2014		Karen Carsberg	No
CE 14/15-15 Fostering Capacity Scheme	To approve proposed amendments to the Council's Foster Carer Capacity Scheme. The amendments will ensure equity of response to all carers under the scheme.	Cabinet Member for Safeguarding Children and Adults	October 2014		Julie Lewis	No

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 14/15-4 Alternative Service Delivery Vehicles and Pensions Issues	To determine whether the Council wishes to close access to the Local Government Pension Scheme for new employees of its Alternative Service Delivery Vehicles and instead enrol them in an alternative defined contribution scheme. If agreed, to authorise officers to take all necessary actions to implement the proposal.	Cabinet	14 Oct 2014			TBC
CE 14/15-6 Macclesfield Movement Strategy	To approve the scope and timescale for the completion of a 'Macclesfield Movement Strategy', including early prioritisation of schemes and allocation of budget provision for their delivery.	Cabinet	14 Oct 2014		Paul Griffiths	No

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 14/15-13 Cheshire East Waste Strategy 2030	To adopt the waste strategy to 2030 which is based on the Environment PDG and Cabinet approved high level objectives, and consulted on with members of the public and local interest groups.	Cabinet	14 Oct 2014		Ralph Kemp	No
CE 14/15-16 Cheshire East Energy Supply Company	To approve the selection of the preferred bidder identified through the competitive dialogue procurement process to appoint a delivery partner. To delegate the decision to award the contract to officers in consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holder.	Cabinet	14 Oct 2014			Yes - para 3

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 14/15-24 Highway Services Contract - Service Period Extension	In accordance with the terms of the Highway Services Contract, to consider and decide on the possible award to Ringway Jacobs of an extension to the service period of one or two years. Additionally, to authorise officers to take all necessary actions to implement the proposed outcome.	Cabinet	14 Oct 2014			No
CE 14/15-25 Hurdsfield Community Hub	To agree that it is appropriate to utilise the original allocation of £995K to redevelop Hurdsfield as both a family centre and a community hub (within the physical restrictions of the site). To authorise the Head of Communities and the Principal Manager – Early Help to proceed with the commissioning of the necessary capital works subject to a robust detailed business case being endorsed.	Cabinet	14 Oct 2014		Stephanie Cordon, Head of Communities	No

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 13/14-58 Crewe Deep Geothermal Energy Project	To note the outcomes of the viability studies as endorsed at the meeting on 22 nd July 2013.	Cabinet	11 Nov 2014			No
CE 14/15-7 Poynton Relief Road - Preferred Route Announcement	To approve and protect a preferred route, and to approve ongoing development of the scheme to support a planning application.	Cabinet	11 Nov 2014		Paul Griffiths	No

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 14/15-10 Crewe Northern Growth Corridor and Sydney Road Bridge - Highway Capacity Improvements along the Corridor, including Additional or Replacement Bridge	Strategy of highway improvements from Crewe Green to the A530 to support Local Plan strategic site allocations and committed sites. Decision on preferred option for the structure at this location; authority to forward fund developer contributions and increase CEC contribution; own and maintain a new/modified structure at this location; approve procurement/delivery strategy and grant authority, if required, to enter into agreement /contract with Network Rail Infrastructure Projects for the delivery of the scheme; authority to implement procurement strategy for the delivery of this scheme; commence negotiations for 3 rd party land required to deliver the scheme and if necessary to implement a compulsory purchase order; take all other necessary actions to implement the proposal.	Cabinet	11 Nov 2014		Andrew Ross	No

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 14/15-11 Homeless Strategy 2014-17	To authorise the officers to begin a six week consultation phase with the public and professionals, internally, externally and in all sectors (including voluntary and third sector), on the proposed Homeless Strategy, commencing at the end of July 2014. The consultation will be authorised by the Portfolio Holder for Housing and Jobs on 28 th July 2014. Subject to the outcome of the consultation, Cabinet on 14 th October 2014 will be asked to approve the Homeless Strategy for adoption.	Cabinet	11 Nov 2014			No
CE 14/15-12 Footpath 53, Step Hill, Macclesfield	To consider the options for the remedial works required to enable the reopening of Footpath 53, Step Hill, Macclesfield which has been closed for a number of years and to authorise the officers to take all necessary actions to implement the agreed way forward.	Cabinet	11 Nov 2014		Denise Griffiths	No

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 14/15-14 Macclesfield Town Centre Housing Strategy	To decide whether to approve and adopt the strategy in light of the public consultation outcome, and to authorise the officers to implement all associated actions and initiatives.	Cabinet	11 Nov 2014	There will be a public consultation exercise in July, the outcome of which will be reported to Cabinet.	Karen Carsberg	No
CE14/15-19 Planning (Building Control) Alternative ASDV	To seek approval to go with the preferred option for the delivery of the Planning Service and authorise officers to take all necessary actions to implement the proposal, including the commencement of the Oracle build.	Cabinet	11 Nov 2014		Angela Davies	
CE 14/15-21 Public Health Sexual Health Service Recommissioning	To grant delegated authority to the Director of Public Health and the Executive Director of Strategic Commissioning, in consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holders, to award a contract for Public Health Sexual Health Services.	Cabinet	11 Nov 2014		Lucia Scally, Manager of strategic Commissioning	No

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 14/15-23 Development of Car Parking Cost Neutral Pricing Policy	To authorise the Head of Communities to develop a cost neutral car parking pricing policy by November 2014.	Cabinet	11 Nov 2014		Stephanie Cordon, Head of Communities	No
CE14/15-18 Cheshire Homechoice - Allocation Policy Review	To approve the final version of the Cheshire Homechoice Policy for adoption and authorise officers to take all necessary steps to implement the revised Housing Allocation Policy. Cheshire Homechoice is the Choice Based Lettings Partnership between Cheshire East Council and Registered Providers who allocate Social Housing in Cheshire East.	Cabinet	9 Dec 2014		Karen Carsberg	
CE 14/15-1 Medium Term Financial Strategy 2015-18	To recommend Council to approve the Medium Term Financial Strategy for 2015-18, incorporating the Council's priorities, budget, policy proposals and capital programme.	Cabinet	3 Feb 2015		Alex Thompson	No