

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet Member for Finance**
held on Tuesday, 12th August, 2014 in Committee Suite 1, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor P Raynes.

Councillor in attendance:

Councillor Peter Mason.

Officers in attendance:

Joanne Jones – Property Services Manager

Lee Beckett – Valuer

Cherry Foreman – Democratic Services Officer

13 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

15 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

No members of the public were present.

16 BOLLINGTON WAR MEMORIAL, BOLLINGTON

Consideration was given to the transfer of Bollington War Memorial to Bollington Town Council as part of the Local Service Delivery Transfer and Devolutions to Town and Parish Councils process; following the transfer it would be possible for the Town Council to receive a grant for its restoration and refurbishment.

Cabinet had previously decided that a number of properties should be transferred to the Town or Parish Council for the area in which the properties were located as a first phase of the Local Service Delivery – Transfer and Devolution to Town and Parish Councils process. Bollington War Memorial had not been included in that list but has since been identified as an appropriate asset to be devolved to the Town Council. The 125 year lease to Bollington Town Council would be based upon the standard heads of terms and, and as it would prohibit change of use of the War Memorial, no overage agreement was required.

As the War Memorial is in open space it would be necessary to advertise the potential disposal of the Garden under the provision of the Local Government Act.

RESOLVED:

That, subject to the response to the public space advertisements, Bollington War Memorial, Palmerston Street, Bollington, Cheshire, SK10 5PZ be transferred to

Bollington Town Council by way of 125 year lease on the terms as stated in the report and other terms to be agreed by the Property Services Manager.

17 CONGLETON COMMUNITY GARDEN, CONGLETON

Consideration was given to a request from Congleton Town Council for the Community Garden to be transferred to their ownership via a lease so as to enable them to apply for a grant application from the Heritage Lottery Fund to refurbish the Garden and Cenotaph.

It had previously been decided by Cabinet that a number of properties should be transferred to the Town or Parish Council for the area in which the properties were located as a first phase of the Local Service Delivery – Transfer and Devolution to Town and Parish Councils process. Congleton Community Garden had not been included in this list but has since been identified as an appropriate asset to be devolved to the Town Council. The 125 year lease to Congleton Town Council will be based upon the standard heads of terms and, as it will prohibit change of use of the Garden, no overage agreement will be required.

As the Garden is open space it will be necessary to advertise the potential disposal of the Garden under the provision of the Local Government Act. The adverts have been placed in the press and the period for representations to be made will expire on 31 July 2014.

RESOLVED:

That, subject to the response to the public space advertisements, Congleton Community Garden, High Street/Lawton Street, Congleton, Cheshire, CW12 3AE be transferred to Congleton Town Council by way of 125 year lease on the terms as stated in the report and other terms to be agreed by the Property Services Manager.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 10.10 am