

## DECISION NOTICE

Notice is given that the following decision has been taken under the Provisions set out in the Council's Constitution

**Decision maker:** Portfolio Holder for Service Commissioning

**Date:** 8 September 2014

**Decision in the matter of:** Development of a Car Parking Cost Neutral Pricing Policy

- Decision:**
1. That approval be given for a consultation with key stakeholders over proposals for an affordable and attractive parking policy with a particular emphasis on Crewe, Nantwich, Macclesfield, Knutsford and Congleton.
  2. That a report on the outcome of the consultation, and a set of key recommendations, be prepared for the meeting of the Cabinet, due to be held on 11 November 2014.

**Background:** Cheshire East Council as a Resident and Business First Council are keen to look at how its local town and village centres can be supported. The Council plans to consult with local businesses, partnerships, and people with disabilities, on an off street parking pricing policy that reflects the needs of different areas and brings more people into the area to boost the local economy; it is recognised that all of the areas are unique and so the harmonisation of charges across Cheshire East is not being advocated.

The will starting point for the consultation will be on the key towns of Crewe, Nantwich, Macclesfield, Knutsford and Congleton. The Council knows that car parks are not free, as they have to be maintained, and they therefore need them to operate on a full cost recovery basis.

The consultation will enable the views of stakeholders to be heard and taken into account in putting together plans to help increase the vitality of the town and village centres.

**Background Documents:** The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report writer.

**Approved:** Signed .....  
Councillor David Topping (Portfolio Holder for Strategic Commissioning)

**Date:** 8 September 2014

**Advising Officer:** Signed .....  
Steph Cordon (Head of Communities)