

# 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 Housing and Jobs

**Date:** 14 October 2014

**Decision in the matter of:** Cheshire East 5 year Housing Land Supply Position Statement September 2014

**Decision:**

1. That approval be given to the Cheshire East Housing Land Supply Position Statement – September 2014, attached as Appendix 1 of the report.
2. That approval be given for the Cheshire East Housing Land Supply Position Statement – September 2014 to be given due weight in the determination of planning applications.

**Background:** In February 2014 Cheshire East produced a Position Statement on the 5 year housing land supply, and this now needed to be brought up to date. The purpose of the Statement was to set out the Council's assessment of its housing land supply position on the base date of 31 March 2014, with a further assessment of the relevant data up to 31 August 2014.

The Position Statement illustrated that, as of 31 March 2014, Cheshire East could demonstrate the availability of a 6.08 years supply using the Sedgefield methodology with a 5% buffer and a 5.32 years supply with a 20% buffer.

To bring the housing land supply fully up to date the Position Statement illustrated that as of 31 August 2014 the Council could demonstrate an increasing supply with the availability of a 6.36 years supply using the Sedgefield methodology with a 5% buffer and a 5.57 years supply with a 20% buffer.

In order to meet the requirements in national planning guidance it is important that the Council maintains an up to date position on its 5 year housing land supply. The ongoing monitoring of the supply enables the Council to provide a robust defence against planning refusals regardless of whether such decisions are appealed against by prospective developers.

**Background Documents:**

Can be inspected by contacting the report author.

**Approved:**

Signed .....  
Councillor Don Stockton (Portfolio Holder for Housing and Jobs).

**Date:**

14 October 2014

**Advising Officer:**

Signed .....  
Rachel Bolton (Housing Land Supply Co-ordinator)