

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet Member for Strategic Outcomes**
held on Monday, 15th December, 2014 in Committee Suite 1,2 & 3,
Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor D Brown.

Councillors in attendance:

Councillors B Burkhill, D Mahon and L Smetham.

Officers in attendance:

Paul Griffiths – infrastructure Delivery Manager

Cherry Foreman – Democratic Services Officer

14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

16 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

No members of the public were present at the meeting.

17 A6 TO MANCHESTER AIRPORT RELIEF ROAD - TRIPARTITE DELIVERY AGREEMENT

Consideration was given to entering into a Delivery Agreement between Manchester City Council, Stockport Council and Cheshire East Council to aid the delivery and funding of the highway mitigation measures required for the proposed A6- Manchester Airport Relief Road (A6-MARR).

The planning decision notice for the A6-MARR scheme had been published by the Council in June 2014 (ref 13/4355M) and conditions attached to it included the design and delivery of an extensive programme of highway mitigation measures in locations where it had been demonstrated there would be a traffic impact as a result of the scheme.

It was reported that extensive discussions with the A6-MARR team at a senior political and officer level had been successful in negotiating a contribution of £1,572,500 towards the delivery of these measures within Cheshire East; this is in addition to a contribution of c£3.5M negotiated by senior politicians towards the delivery of Poynton Relief Road which will complement the delivery of the A6-MARR scheme.

The Agreement requires the Council to use its best endeavours to discharge the planning conditions in relation to highway mitigation works prior to the opening of the A6-MARR scheme but it does not fetter its obligations as the local planning authority linked to the discharge of the planning conditions.

Members were advised that assessment work had commenced and, in due course, there would be meetings with the local ward Members concerned to discuss specific needs and proposals. In discussing the funding a question was asked regarding what would happen in the event of the costs being greater than the agreed contribution. In response it was reported that consideration would be given to a top-up sum being awarded from a contingency fund in the capital programme. An additional sentence was added to para 9.1 of the report (Risk Management) to say '*There is a possibility that the funding envelope for the mitigation may vary when the detail has been decided*'.

RESOLVED

That approval be given for the Council to enter into a Tri-partite Delivery Agreement with Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council and Manchester City Council to aid the delivery of the A6-MARR, and to agree the financial contributions of £1,572,500 from Stockport MBC towards highway mitigation measures required pursuant to planning permission conditions.

The meeting commenced at 10.30 am and concluded at 10.50 am