

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet Member for Housing and Jobs**
held on Monday, 9th March, 2015 in Committee Suite 1 & 2, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor D Stockton.

Officers in attendance:

Tom Evans – Principal Planning Officer

Cherry Foreman – Democratic Services Officer

34 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

35 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

36 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

No members of the public were present.

37 KNUTSFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA APPLICATION

The Localism Act 2011 introduced new legal rights that enable communities to prepare local development plans (neighbourhood plans) with equal weight to the Local Plan for decision making purposes on development proposals; the first stage of the process is the designation of a neighbourhood area.

Consideration was given to an application to designate Knutsford Parish as a Neighbourhood Area. The application had been submitted by Knutsford Town Council in December 2014 and approval will enable it to prepare a neighbourhood plan with formal statutory powers. Once completed the plan will be adopted by Cheshire East Council and form part of the Development Plan for the Borough. The policies eventually held in the Knutsford Neighbourhood Plan will be used for decision making purposes within the Parish along side those other relevant policies from the Cheshire East Development Plan.

RESOLVED

That approval be given to the designation of Knutsford Parish as Knutsford Neighbourhood Area for the purposes of preparing the Knutsford Neighbourhood Plan, as shown on the map attached as Appendix 1.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 10.10 am