

# **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet Member Leader of the Council**  
held on Tuesday, 26th May, 2015 in Committee Suite 1 & 2, Westfields,  
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

## **PRESENT**

Councillor M Jones

## **Officers in attendance:**

Sean Hannaby – Interim Planning Executive

Cherry Foreman – Democratic Services Officer

## **1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillor Sarah Pochin submitted her apologies.

## **2 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION**

No members of the public were present.

## **3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

## **4 WILLASTON NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA APPLICATION**

Consideration was given to the designation of Willaston Parish as Willaston Neighbourhood Area.

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.

Willaston Parish Council had submitted an application for designation in March and approval would enable it to prepare a neighbourhood plan with formal statutory powers. Once completed the plan would be adopted by Cheshire East Council and form part of the Development Plan for the Borough. The policies eventually held in the Willaston Neighbourhood Plan will be used for decision making purposes within the parish along side those other relevant policies from the Cheshire East Development Plan. There were no circumstances where the exclusion of land from the proposed neighbourhood area were considered necessary.

## **RESOLVED**

That approval be given to designate Willaston Parish as Willaston Neighbourhood Area for the purposes of preparing Willaston Neighbourhood Plan, in accordance with the map attached to the report.

The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm and concluded at 1.05 pm