CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Assets with the Cabinet Member for Communities

held on Tuesday, 11th August, 2015 in Room G2, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach, Cheshire CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillors D Stockton and L Gilbert

5 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

7 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

No members of the public were present.

8 DISPOSAL OF AREA OF LAND AT THE CARRS, WILMSLOW

It was reported that the Council had received a request from Wilmslow Town Council to erect a modular building on land adjacent to The Carrs Car Park, Wilmslow, for the provision of a toilet facility and refreshment kiosk for the benefit of the Country Park and play area. The Client Service was Environment Commissioning which supported the proposal at this location.

The land was recorded on the Open Space Survey 2012 (12aWH) as Provision for Children & Teenagers. It was noted that Wilmslow had 4.73ha of children's play space, representing 0.21ha per 1,000 of resident population, leaving a shortfall of 0.39ha per 1,000 - a shortage of 8.8ha.

Boddington's Play Area (12aWH) is in a central location in the Carrs; it serves the whole of Wilmslow and attracts visitors from across Wilmslow and its hinterland. The Town Council had evidence to show that this additional facility would be well used. In addition the site was on the Bollin Valley Way so the new toilet facility would also be appreciated by walkers on this recreational route.

The land was owned freehold by Cheshire East Borough Council and whilst it was not surplus to requirements the proposal offered an enhancement to the facility for the benefit of users. The portfolio Holders sought clarification concerning the monitoring and maintenance of the proposed facility and were advised that Wilmslow Town Council had confirmed it was happy to accept this responsibility.

RESOLVED

1. Subject to the public space advertisements, approval be given for the land adjacent to the Carrs Country Park Car Park, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 4AA, shown edged red on the plan attached to the report, to be transferred for the sum of £1 to Wilmslow Town Council, on the terms

stated in paragraph 3.2 of the report, and other terms to be agreed by the Property Services Manager.

2. That authorisation be given for the advertisement of the public open space advert for the area of land considered for disposal.

The meeting commenced at 10.30 am and concluded at 10.45 am