CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

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

held on Monday, 14th September, 2015 in Committee Suite 1 & 2, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillors D Stockton and L Gilbert.

Officers in attendance:

Joanne Jones – Property Services Manager Steve Plack – Senior Surveyor Cherry Foreman – Democratic Services Officer

9 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

10 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

11 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

No members of the public were present.

12 LAND OFF MAGGOTY LANE, GAWSWORTH

An approval was sought to transfer land known as 'Land off Maggoty Lane, Gawsworth' to Gawsworth Parish Council, in line with the agreed policy for the transfer of assets and devolution of services to town and Parish Councils.

In 2012 Gawsworth Parish Council acquired an area of woodland on Maggoty Lane to create an area of public open space. This had been incredibly popular and was well used and adjacent to the land in question. The Parish Council had approached the Council to see if it would dispose of the land in question to enable it to enhance the existing open space off Maggoty Lane. The ambition of the Parish Council was to utilise the additional woodland and route of the Ben Brook to allow the public to access more woodland. In addition to this, the Parish Council would also like to be able to utilise part of the land as ancillary space to the woodland.

The Council would secure an overage payment for the Council if there was a future planning permission which enhanced the value of the asset or the Parish Council sold the asset within a 15 year period with increase in value/ proceeds of sale returning to Cheshire East on a reducing sliding scale. The land was surplus to operational requirements and would accord with a number of Cheshire East Councils strategic outcomes.

RESOLVED

Subject to the response to public space advertisements, approval was given to transfer the long leasehold of land known as Land off Maggoty Lane, Gawsworth, Macclesfield, Cheshire, shown edged red on the plan attached to the report, to Gawsworth Parish Council for a nominal value on the terms stated, and such other terms as may be agreed by the Property Services Manager in consultation with the Head of Legal services and Monitoring Officer.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 2.10 pm