

## **DECISION NOTICE**

Notice is given that the following decision has been taken under the Provisions set out in the Council's Constitution

Decision maker:	Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning			
Date:	24 November 2015			
Decision in the matter of:	Neighbourhood Grant Funding Application - Goostrey			
Decision:	That the funding request from Goostrey Parish Council for £2000 be approved.			
Background:	Up to £7000 per designated body is available for the preparation of neighbourhood plans and to support neighbourhood planning activity. Funding applications are assessed against the criteria held in the Planning and Neighbourhood Planning Grants (PANPG) policy and applications that seek to allocate development sites, support the Cheshire East Emerging Local Plan Strategy and demonstrate creativity and innovation are encouraged.			
	Goostrey Parish Council are proposing to use funds to engage the local community via the development and improvement of a website specifically for the neighbourhood plan. Encouraging digital engagement can reach a wide audience and offers significant cost savings in the long term. Alongside this a more traditional approach of offering hard copies of questionnaires and other information is being adopted to ensure that those who may not have access to the internet are able to participate and that their views on the development of the plan can be taken in to account.			
	The application for £2000 meets the necessary Policy criteria.			
Background Documents:	The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report writer.			
Approved:				
	Signed  Councillor Ainsley Arnold (Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning)			
Date:	24 November 2015			
Advising Officer:	Signed Tom Evans (Neighbourhood Planning Manager)			