

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 Children and Families

Date: 11 January 2016

Decision in the matter of: Greater Manchester Spatial Framework

Decision: That

1. approval be given to the draft consultation response, as set out in Appendix 1 of the report, as the response of Cheshire East Council to the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework Strategic Options document (November 2015), subject to the amended response in relation to Question 11 as circulated at the meeting; and
2. the officers continue to liaise closely with colleagues in Greater Manchester and report back as necessary.

Background: The Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) is consulting on the latest stage of the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF). This will guide growth and development in the conurbation to 2035.

The success of the Greater Manchester City Region is vital to growth and development within the North West as a whole and the wider North of England and it is central to initiatives such as the Northern Powerhouse. A strong Greater Manchester and a strong Cheshire East are mutually supportive and complementary and it is in the interests of both Authorities to ensure growth strategies are fully aligned.

The Greater Manchester Combined Authority has published strategic options for its Spatial Framework and as an adjacent authority it's important that the Council responds so that the interests of Cheshire East residents and business are taken account of. As a near neighbour with many cross boundary links, and as a key partner on several projects, development within the conurbation will inevitably impact on Cheshire East. Accordingly it has the potential to influence a diverse range of agendas ranging from the economy, transportation, skills and training and environmental protection.

An appendix to the report set out the detailed response of the Council to the consultation, and also to a call for sites.

Background Documents:

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report writer.

Approved:

Councillor Rachel Bailey (Cabinet Member for Children and Families)

Date:

11 January 2016

Advising Officer:

Adrian Fisher (Head of Planning and Strategy)