

## **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning**  
held on Tuesday, 12th April, 2016 in Room G1 - Ground Floor, Westfields,  
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

### **PRESENT**

Councillor A Arnold

### **Councillor in attendance:**

Councillor B Moran

### **Officers in attendance:**

Tom Evans – Neighbourhood Planning Manager

Adrian Fisher – Head of Planning Strategy

Sean Hannaby – Director of Planning and Sustainable Development

Cherry Foreman – Democratic Services Officer

### **35 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

### **36 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

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

Geoff Seddon, on behalf of Audlem Parish Council, spoke in support of the Audlem Neighbourhood Plan and commended it to the Council for approval. He also thanked the Cheshire East Officers for their help and support in its preparation. Mike Benson, of Sandbach Town Council, endorsed the comments and also thanked Cheshire East Council for its advice and assistance.

### **38 AUDLEM NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - DECISION TO MAKE THE PLAN**

The Audlem Neighbourhood Plan had been submitted to the Council in July 2015 and, following a statutory period, proceeded to Independent Examination. The Examiner's report recommended that, pending a series of modifications to the Plan it would meet the prescribed requirements and should proceed to Referendum.

A Referendum was held on 24 March 2016 and returned a positive vote in favour of using the Neighbourhood Plan to help determine planning applications in the neighbourhood area.

Paragraph 38A(4)(a) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 required that where half or more of those voting in the Plan Referendum vote in favour of the Plan, that the Council make the Neighbourhood Plan and adopt it as part of the Development Plan.

It was confirmed that the Audlem Neighbourhood Plan would become part of the Cheshire East Development Plan in accordance with which planning decisions would be made unless material considerations indicated otherwise.

At the meeting it was reported that a correction was to be made to the green spaces map on page 8 of the Neighbourhood Plan in respect of the designation of Bunsley Bank Green, and this was noted.

**RESOLVED**

That the Audlem Neighbourhood Plan BE made and form part of the Development Plan for Cheshire.

**39 SANDBACH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - DECISION TO MAKE THE PLAN**

The Sandbach Neighbourhood Plan had been submitted to the Council in July 2015 and, following a statutory period, proceeded to Independent Examination. The Examiner's report recommended that, pending a series of modifications to the Plan it would meet the prescribed requirements and should proceed to Referendum.

A Referendum was held on 24 March 2016 and returned a positive vote in favour of using the Neighbourhood Plan to help determine planning applications in the neighbourhood area.

Paragraph 38A(4)(a) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 required that where half or more of those voting in the Plan Referendum vote in favour of the Plan, that the Council make the Neighbourhood Plan and adopt it as part of the Development Plan.

It was confirmed that the Sandbach Neighbourhood Plan would become part of the Cheshire East Development Plan in accordance with which planning decisions would be made unless material considerations indicated otherwise.

**RESOLVED**

That the Sandbach Neighbourhood Plan be made and form part of the Development Plan for Cheshire East.

The meeting commenced at 1.30 pm and concluded at 1.45 pm