

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet Member for Leisure and Open Spaces**
held on Monday, 4th April, 2016 at Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillors S Gardner, Cabinet Member for Leisure and Open Spaces

Officers

Genni Butler, Countryside Access Development Officer

Rachel Graves, Democratic Services Officer

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

3 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

Debbie Jamison spoke in relation to the Rights of Way Improvement Plan. She commented on the lack of projects for Knutsford included in the Plan and asked about the process for getting projects included. She also commented on the progress of the Indoor and Outdoor Sports Facilities strategy and the Parks Strategy.

Genni Butler responded and explained the prioritisation methodology for the selection of projects contained within the Implementation Plan and explained the process through which suggestions for improvements could be submitted and registered for future assessment.

4 THE CHESHIRE EAST RIGHTS OF WAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2011-2026 - IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

The Cabinet Member considered a report on the Implementation Plan for the Cheshire East Rights of Way Improvement Plan for the period 2015-2019.

Under the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, every highway authority in England was required to prepare and publish a Rights of Way Improvement Plan. The Improvement Plan for Cheshire East had been developed through consultation with residents and the wider public, Ward Members, local user groups and parish and town councils. The strategy covered the period 2011-2026.

The Improvement Plan was required to contain a statement of the action which the authority proposed to take for the management of local Public Rights of Way, and for securing an improved network of those routes. This was set out in rolling 4 year Implementation Plans, which detailed projects through which the policies and initiatives stated in the Improvement Plan would be delivered.

The first 4 year Implementation Plan for 2011-2015 had now expired and the second Implementation Plan covering 2015-2019 was being presented for approval.

RESOLVED:

That the Cheshire East Rights of Way Improvement Plan (2011-2026) Implementation Plan for 2015-2019 be approved.

The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm and concluded at 1.21 pm

Councillor S Gardner