CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet Member for Finance and Communities** held on Tuesday, 11th July, 2017 at R1 & R2 - Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach, CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillors P Bates, Cabinet Member for Finance and Communities

Councillor in attendance

Councillor J Nicholas

Officers

Dan Coyne, Delivering Differently Manager – Partnerships Manager and Communities

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

No members of the public were present.

4 SOCIAL FRANCHISE MODEL PILOT OFFER AWARD - CONNECTED COMMUNITY CENTRES

The Cabinet Member considered a report seeking approval to award a franchise to Audlem Public Hall Community Group and Bridgend Centre, Bollington under the pilot social franchise model for Community Hubs.

RESOLVED:

- That, under the pilot social franchise offer agreed in July 2015, approval be given to award a franchise which will be reviewed annually to:
 - Audlem Public Hall Community Group, Audlem
 - Bridgend Centre, Bollington
- That each of the organisations be awarded a start-up grant of up to a maximum of £2k to support and enable them to meet the

franchise criteria, to be used to obtain the items set out in the application form (e.g. Broadband/ Wi-Fi enablement, CVS membership, insurances, IT equipment, phone lines, and other issues identified).

5 SOCIAL FRANCHISE MODEL REVISED OFFER AMENDMENTS CONNECTED COMMUNITY CENTRES

The Cabinet Member considered a report which detailed revisions to the social franchise model for the Connected Community Centres programme.

RESOLVED:

- 1 That approval be given to the amendments made in the social franchise model.
- That approval be given to for 30 venues during 2017/18 and 2018/19 to be proposed to the Portfolio Holder for Finance and Communities to be awarded franchisee status.

6 SOCIAL FRANCHISEE AWARD PROPOSALS CONNECTED COMMUNITY CENTRES

The Cabinet Member considered a report which sought approval to award social franchise status to four applicants in the first round of grants for 2017/18 under the Connected Community Centre scheme.

RESOLVED:

- 1 That approval be given to the award the Connected Community Centre social franchise to:
 - St Barnabas Church Crewe
 - The Welcome Café Knutsford, Longridge
 - Jubilee House, Wishing Well Crewe
 - St Johns Church Macclesfield, Weston and Ivy
- That a maximum grant of £5,000 over 2 years be awarded to reserve the use of facilities for the delivery of early intervention and prevention services.

The meeting commenced at 9.00 am and concluded at 9.10 am

Councillor P Bates