

COUNCIL – 17 JULY 2014

NOTICES OF MOTION

Submitted to Council in Accordance with Procedure Rule 12

1 Phone Contract

Proposed by Councillor David Brickhill

When Vodaphone's current contract(s) with this Council expire, very careful consideration should be given to any proposal to enter into new contracts with the company directly or on our behalf by Cosocius. Such consideration must include a robust assessment of the quality of the product which would be the subject of the contract.

2 Making Roads on New Estates Subject to a 20mph Speed Limit

Proposed by Councillor Rod Fletcher and seconded by Councillor David Neilson

Most, if not all, new approved Planning Applications for large estates have a condition that the developers build the road in a way that is unsuitable for driving at speeds in excess of 20mph.

However, it appears that not all residents or visitors to these estates are aware that the roads on these new estates are usually set at different levels can damage their vehicles if they drive in excess of 20mph.

Local garages have stated that the increase in damage to cars is being caused by potholes, the poor state of Cheshire roads, and driving at excess speed over road humps.

The Council therefore calls for official 20mph speed limits to be imposed when Cheshire East Planning Department imposes a condition that roads be built to ensure that speeds are limited to 20mph maximum and that any associated legal costs and erection of signs is paid for by the developers.

3 Definition of a Sustainable Development

Proposed by Councillor Sam Corcoran

This Council should provide a working definition of sustainable development in Cheshire that our planning officers could use and justify objectively when assessing planning applications.

4 Definition of Emergency Powers

Proposed by Councillor Arthur Moran and seconded by Councillor David Brickhill

That the Constitution Committee carefully define 'emergency' so that emergency powers are used only in a real emergency.

5 Review of Cabinet System

Proposed by Councillor Brendan Murphy and seconded by Councillor David Brickhill

That the Cabinet system be reviewed so that the next administration will have the option of a more democratic and inclusive alternative.

6 Changes to Venues for Council Meetings

Proposed by Councillor Simon McGrory and seconded by Councillor Penny Butterill

The Council expresses dissatisfaction that the Southern Planning Committee, not for the first time, was displaced from its established meeting room which had been booked a year in advance. Instead it had to use the Library with no sound system and delayed IT. This was to make way for an appeal hearing which could and should have been accommodated elsewhere.

If a Council committee is booked for a specific venue, under no circumstances should it be relocated elsewhere unless the room is made unavailable by an emergency such as a fire.

7 Members Handbook

Proposed by Councillor Penny Butterill and seconded by Councillor Andy Barratt

That the Members Handbook be published in hard copy to all Members.

8 I-Pads and Tablet Devices

Proposed by Councillor Simon McGrory and seconded by Councillor Michelle Sherratt

That I-Pads or suitable alternative tablets should be made available to Members at the earliest opportunity.

9 Planning Inspectorate Decisions

Proposed by Councillor Barry Burkhill and seconded by Councillor David Brickhill

In a time when we are trying to secure public trust and restore confidence in a system of democracy and priorities of acceptable locations, this Council deplores the planning inspectorate making decisions in the face of the wishes of our local committees and our parish councils. It therefore condemns the Government at Westminster for its policy on granting planning permission for sites not within the submitted local plan. It strongly recommends and requests that the Chief Executive and the Leader contact all local MPs to press them to urge withdrawal of the policy which causes this excess pressure on some Cheshire East communities.

10 Queen's Baton Relay

Proposed by Councillor David Brown and seconded by Councillor Janet Clowes

Cheshire East Council recognises all the hard work undertaken to make the recent visit to Congleton of the Queen's Commonwealth Baton Relay such a resounding success and congratulates all those involved in making the bid for the Relay to come to Congleton. Over ten thousand local residents enjoyed a day in Congleton Park that resulted from the fantastic working together of officers from this Council, Congleton Town Council, Team Congleton, local sports groups, Everybody Sports & Recreation Trust, local businesses, schools and volunteers who together further raised the profile of both the Town and the Borough in such a positive way.

11 £900,000 Underspend

Proposed by Councillor Peter Raynes

Council welcomes the news that there has been a £900,000 underspend against the 2014/14 budget; acknowledges that this is the result of prudent financial management; and commits to using this money to benefit the residents of Cheshire East Borough. Delegated powers should be provided to the Cabinet to prepare a public report setting out how this money will be spent

12 Dementia

Proposed by Councillor Janet Clowes

This Council will pro-actively maintain in the momentum to ensure that that Borough becomes increasingly Dementia Friendly.

The Council is proud to be leading the way nationally to ensure those living with dementia and their carers have the support they need. The new plans for dementia support are innovative and wide-ranging and will make a real difference by ensuring earlier diagnosis, support and reablement. The

Council recently held a hugely successful event at Tatton Park which brought over 100 business and community leaders together to pledge to make Cheshire East Dementia Friendly, this is a landmark that sets the course for the call to action from the Council to help those with this debilitating illness and their carers.

13 Peace Pole on Scotch Common, Sandbach

Proposed by Councillor Sam Corcoran

This Council supports the efforts of Churches Together in Sandbach, with support from Sandbach Town Council, to plant a Peace Pole on Scotch Common in Sandbach.