

# **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the **Council**  
held on Thursday, 22nd October, 2015 at The Ballroom, Sandbach Town Hall,  
High Street, Sandbach, CW11 1AX

## **PRESENT**

Councillor H Gaddum (Mayor/Chairman)  
Councillor O Hunter (Deputy Mayor/Vice-Chairman)

Councillors C Andrew, A Arnold, D Bailey, Rachel Bailey, Rhoda Bailey, G Barton, P Bates, G Baxendale, M Beanland, D Bebbington, S Brookfield, E Brooks, D Brown, C Browne, B Burkhill, P Butterill, S Carter, C Chapman, J Clowes, S Corcoran, H Davenport, W S Davies, T Dean, B Dooley, L Durham, S Edgar, P Findlow, R Fletcher, T Fox, D Flude, S Gardiner, S Gardner, L Gilbert, M Grant, P Groves, J Hammond, A Harewood, G Hayes, S Hogben, J Jackson, L Jeuda, M Jones, A Kolker, J Macrae, D Mahon, N Mannion, D Marren, A Martin, R Menlove, G Merry, A Moran, B Moran, D Newton, M Parsons, S Pochin, J Rhodes, B Roberts, M Sewart, M Simon, L Smetham, D Stockton, A Stott, G Wait, B Walmsley, G M Walton, L Wardlaw, M Warren, M J Weatherill, G Williams and J Wray

## **Apologies**

Councillors M Deakin, I Faseyi, M Hardy, D Hough, S McGrory, H Murray, J Saunders, H Wells-Bradshaw and J Weston

## **32 PRAYERS**

The Mayor's Chaplain said prayers, at the request of the Mayor.

## **33 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

## **34 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes be approved as a correct record.

## **35 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor announced: -

That since the last meeting of Council, she had attended 60 events across the Borough.

The Mayor thanked members who attended her civic service and thanked her Chaplain and Kings School choir for their part in the service.

The Mayor paid tribute to the staff and emergency services dealing with the aftermath of the Bosley incident and commended those who had raised money to help the local community.

The Mayor spoke about the Local Hero and Community pride awards which she had attended and which demonstrated why Cheshire East was a good place to live.

The Mayor formally reported to Council the recent sad deaths of Councillor Peter Mason and former Macclesfield Borough and Poynton Town Councillor David Robbie. Council stood for a minute's silence in tribute.

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

Sue Helliwell used public speaking time to alert the Council to the actions of the residents of Alsager who were helping Syrian refugees. She called upon the Council to put in place the necessary resources to support both the families and the townspeople and called on Cheshire East to follow their lead.

The Leader of the Council stated that he had met with Councillors and that Cheshire East stood ready to work together with communities to assist in this regard.

### **37 PETITION FOR DEBATE - PUBLIC INTERMEDIATE CARE, DEMENTIA CARE AND DAY, RESPIRE AND ASSESSMENT CARE AND ANCILLARY FACILITIES**

Mrs C Peters Rock presented a petition to Council for debate which contained over 4,000 signatures, the subject of which was as follows -

"Petition to Cheshire East Council, East Cheshire NHS Trust, Eastern Cheshire CCG.

Please reopen for local public use – and keep open – for all ages our public intermediate care – dementia care - Also day, respite and assessment care – and ancillary facilities to support our public need. Legal Duty of Care lies with our public organisations – and that must remain."

In accordance with the Council's Petition Scheme, Mrs Peters Rock spoke to the petition and responded to questions from Councillors on the subject matter of the petition. The Mayor then explained the procedure Council would follow when debating the petition.

In opening the debate, the following motion was proposed by Councillor Clowes: "Cheshire East Council accepts the petition and that the comments be noted but that no action be taken on the petition", which was seconded by Councillor Groves.

Councillors debated both the subject of the petition and the motion proposed, which gave rise to an amendment to the motion proposed by Councillor Laura Jeuda “This Council will keep open Lincoln House and Hollins View for in house respite care for the foreseeable future”, which was seconded by Councillor Parsons.

Following a further debate, a request for a recorded vote on the amendment to the motion was put by Councillor Hogben, which was supported by 8 members.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Vote cast</u>
Councillor Chris Andrew	Against
Councillor Ainsley Arnold	Against
Councillor Damian Bailey	For
Councillor Rachel Bailey	Against
Councillor Garry Barton	Against
Councillor Paul Bates	Against
Councillor Gordon Baxendale	Against
Councillor Derek Bebbington	Against
Councillor Michael Beanland	Against
Councillor Suzanne Brookfield	For
Councillor Ellie Brooks	Against
Councillor David Brown	Against
Councillor Craig Browne	Against
Councillor Barry Burkhill	For
Councillor Penny Butterill	For
Councillor Steve Carter	For
Councillor Clair Chapman	For
Councillor Janet Clowes	Against
Councillor Sam Corcoran	For
Councillor Harold Davenport	Against
Councillor Stan Davies	Against
Councillor Tony Dean	Against
Councillor Beverley Dooley	Against
Councillor Liz Durham	Against
Councillor Steven Edgar	Against
Councillor J Paul Findlow	Against
Councillor Rod Fletcher	For
Councillor Dorothy Flude	For
Councillor Toni Fox	For
Councillor Hilda Gaddum	Not voting
Councillor Stewart Gardiner	Against
Councillor Sam Gardner	Against
Councillor Les Gilbert	Against
Councillor Maureen Grant	For
Councillor Peter Groves	Against
Councillor John Hammond	Against
Councillor Alift Harewood	For
Councillor George Hayes	Against

Councillor Steve Hogben	For
Councillor Olivia Hunter	Against
Councillor Janet Jackson	For
Councillor Laura Jeuda	For
Councillor Michael Jones	Against
Councillor Andrew Kolker	Against
Councillor Jamie Macrae	Against
Councillor Dennis Mahon	For
Councillor Nick Mannion	For
Councillor David Marren	Against
Councillor Andrew Martin	Against
Councillor Rod Menlove	Against
Councillor Gill Merry	Against
Councillor Arthur Moran	For
Councillor Barry Moran	Against
Councillor David Newton	For
Councillor Michael Parsons	For
Councillor Sarah Pochin	Against
Councillor Jill Rhodes	For
Councillor Brian Roberts	For
Councillor Mike Sewart	Against
Councillor Margaret Simon	Against
Councillor Lesley Smetham	Against
Councillor Don Stockton	Against
Councillor Amanda Stott	For
Councillor Gail Wait	Against
Councillor Bernice Walmsley	For
Councillor George Walton	Against
Councillor Liz Wardlaw	Against
Councillor Mick Warren	For
Councillor Jacquie Weatherill	Against
Councillor Glen Williams	Against
Councillor John Wray	Against

The amendment was declared lost, with 25 for, 45 against and 1 not voting.

Council resumed the debate on the original motion before moving to the vote.

## **RESOLVED**

That Cheshire East Council accepts the petition and that the comments be noted, but that no action be taken on the petition

## **38 RECOMMENDATION FROM CABINET - FIRST QUARTER REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE**

Consideration was given to a report on the first quarter review of performance 2015/16, including supplementary capital estimates and virements, which had been considered by Cabinet on 29 September 2015.

The report set out the Council's financial and non-financial performance at the first quarter stage of 2015/16 and highlighted the latest progress towards achieving the Council's Residents First Outcomes as described in the Council's three year plan 2013 to 2016. The first quarter review showed how the Council was continuing to build on the positions achieved in the last two years, which demonstrated that the overall financial health, performance, resilience and value for money at Cheshire East Council was strong.

The recommendations from Cabinet were proposed and seconded.

The following amendment was proposed and seconded and declared carried:-

"That any money spent from earmarked reserves should either be spent in- house or through the proper competitive tendering process".

#### **RESOLVED**

That the fully funded supplementary capital estimates and virements above £1,000,000 be approved, in accordance with Finance Procedure Rules (Appendix 7 of the report); and

That a new earmarked reserve be established for Early Intervention Initiatives by a transfer of £0.5m from general balances, as set out in Section 2, paragraph 197 of the report, and that any money spent from earmarked reserves be either spent in-house, or through the proper competitive tendering process.

**(At this point the meeting was adjourned for a short break).**

#### **39 RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE - PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION**

Consideration was given to a report which proposed a number of changes to the Constitution, which were intended to bring benefits to the Council's decision-making and other arrangements and which had been recommended for approval by the Constitution Committee on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

#### **RESOLVED**

That the following changes to Cheshire East Council's Constitution be approved:-

- 1 The Constitution Committee be given the delegated authority to make all changes to the Council's Constitution which are not major, subject to the Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer and Chief Operating Officer (s151 Officer) agreeing that the proposed changes are not major and to Council subsequently being informed of such changes, provided that such changes as are considered by the Committee and agreed by the Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer and Chief Operating Officer (s151 Officer) to be major shall be referred to Council for approval;
- 2 The Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer be given delegated authority, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Constitution Committee, to make such changes to the Council's Constitution as he/she deems to be necessary and which are:

- in the Council's interests;
- not major in nature;

including, but not limited to, changes;

- amounting to routine revisions;
- to provide appropriate clarity;
- to correct typographical and other drafting errors;
- to reflect new legislation;
- to correct inconsistencies in drafting;
- to reflect new officer structures and job titles, properly approved through Council processes (including amendments and revisions to the Proper Officer Functions).

- 3 In relation to the Planning Committees that:
  - (a) From the start of the next Municipal Year the Strategic Planning Board, and the Northern and Southern Planning Committees be reduced in size to 12 with a composition of 8:2:2 (Conservative: Labour: Independent) for each Board/ Committee;
  - (b) the political group representation agreed at the Council's Annual Meeting, and the methods, calculations and conventions used in determining this be amended to reflect the reduced memberships;
  - (c) that any necessary and consequential adjustments be made to the total number of committee places allocated to each political group in order to meet legislative political proportionality requirements, in consultation with the political group leaders, together with any resultant changes in committee places; and
  - d) the operational effectiveness be kept under review.

- (e) the Constitution be amended as set out in Appendix 1 to reflect that there are to be no substitutes at Planning Committee other than named substitutes
- 4 Amendments are made to the Scheme of Delegation of Officers and Terms of Reference of Committees as set out in Appendix 1 and that consequential amendments are made to that Scheme of Delegation of Officers and Terms of Reference of Committees as set out in Appendix 1 such that Certificates of Lawfulness may only be signed off under delegated powers following Consultation with the Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer.
- 5 The Protocol on Public Speaking at Planning Committees be amended by increasing speaking time for the Local Parish Council from 3 minutes to 5 minutes to ensure that there is a stronger local voice in the process, that lobby groups be included within the time allowed for objectors/supporters to speak.
- 6 Amendments are made to the Scheme of Delegation of Officers and Terms of Reference of Committees to delegate decisions with regard to Neighbourhood Planning as set out in Appendix 1.
- 7 In relation to Notices of Motion that:
  - (a) Notices of Motion will be moved and seconded at Council meetings, without any comment from the movers and seconders, and referred-on for determination by the relevant decision-making body, provided that the existing rules which allow certain Notices of Motion to be debated and disposed of at Council meetings will continue to have effect.
  - (b) That the Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer be instructed to make the changes set out in Appendix 2.
- 8 The template agendas set out in Appendix 3 be adopted for use at Annual Council and ordinary Council meetings and incorporated into the Constitution.
- 9 In relation to Staffing issues that:
  - (a) the terms of reference of the Staffing Committee and the powers of the Chief Executive and Scheme of Delegation to Officers be amended in the Constitution as set out in Appendix 4;
  - (b) the Staff Employment Procedure Rules be amended as set out in Appendix 4; and
  - (c) the powers of the Head of Paid Service in relation to staffing and other matters be amended in the Constitution as set out in Appendix 4.

- 10 The Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer be authorised, in consultation with the Head of Paid Service, to make such changes to the Constitution as he/she considers are necessary to give effect to the wishes of Council in respect of such staffing matters as were considered at the Council meeting of 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2015 and to incorporate the changes that were put before the Committee on the 26<sup>th</sup> March 2015 that have not been superseded by the subsequent changes in the staffing structure.
- 11 The proposed changes set out in Appendix 5 (Health and Wellbeing Board Terms of Reference) be accepted.
- 12 That paragraph 11 (c) below (Constitution page 191), which permits topical questions, be amended as follows:

“(c) where time permits, questions which are of a topical nature be accepted **where the Mayor deems it to be appropriate.**”.
- 13 That paragraph 11.11 (Constitution page 192), which deals with the frequency with which question can be re-submitted, be amended by replacing 3 months with 6 months as set out below:

“11.11 No questions will be allowed which repeat, or are substantially the same as, questions submitted to a meeting of Council during the preceding **6** months.
- 14 That procedural rule 26.2 (Constitution page 197), which deals with changes to the approved calendar of meetings, be amended as below:

“26.2 A meeting of a decision-making body scheduled in the Calendar of Meetings may be cancelled or changed by the Chairman following consultation with the whole membership of the body and with the agreement of a simple majority of **those** members of that body **who respond within 2 working days of being notified of the proposed cancellation or change**, provided that such cancellation or change takes place at least five clear working days before the scheduled date of the meeting to enable sufficient public notice to be given.”
- 15 That the existing list of Category 1 organisations in the Constitution be replaced by Appendix 6.
- 16 That the Constitution be amended in accordance with the changes set out in Appendix 9 to effect the removal of the requirement to hold secret ballots from the Council Procedure Rules.
- 17 That the suggested definition of an urgent decision is inserted into the Constitution (Part 4 Procedure Rules General Provisions Appendix 4, page 225) as follows:



“A decision will be urgent if any delay likely to be caused by following the usual procedures would seriously prejudice the Council’s or the Public’s interests. If a decision is deemed an urgent decision caused by a failure to plan appropriately or work without due regard to timeliness, the circumstances giving rise to the need for an urgent decision should be reported to the Audit and Governance Committee on a quarterly basis.”

- 18 That Paragraph 6 of the Mayoralty Code of Practice (Constitution page 442) be amended as follows:

“The Mayor should not be appointed as Chairman or Vice-Chairman **or member** of any Committee or Sub-Committee of the Council **or Cabinet support member or act or be appointed to act as a Director of any of the Council’s Alternative Service Delivery Vehicles during his term of office.....**”

- 19 That the Audit and Governance Committee’s terms of Reference be amended by the inclusion of the following wording as an introductory paragraph in the Constitution at the start of page 109:

#### Membership (11)

The Audit and Governance Committee, like all of the Council’s Committees, must be politically balanced. However the success of the Audit and Governance Committee depends upon its ability to remain apolitical. It must adopt a non-political approach to its meetings and discussions at all times. Remaining apolitical also places a duty on members not to make inappropriate use of information provided to the Committee for other purposes.

The Committee is composed of 11 Members, comprising 10 members of Council and one independent voting member (a member who is not a Councillor) with the Chair and Vice Chair being appointed at full Council. The co-option of an independent member will help to bring additional knowledge and expertise to the committee and also reinforce its political neutrality and independence. To ensure the Committee remains focussed on its assurance role any designated substitute must be appropriately trained.

- 20 That the Constitution be amended to reflect the changes set out below.

(a) That the following wording be inserted as a new paragraph 2.2 at page 51 (Chapter 14 Management of the Constitution):

“2.2 Once the changes to the Constitution have been formally approved by or notified to Council the amended version will be published on the Council’s website within one (1) month.”

(c) That the wording of paragraph 5 (page 52) be amended as follows:

will provide **an electronic copy** of this Constitution to each Member of the authority upon delivery of that Member's declaration of acceptance of office on the Member first being elected to the Council;

21 That the Constitution be amended to remove reference to members' pensions from the responsibilities of Council and Constitution Committee as follows:

(a) Paragraph 12 of page 56 be amended by removing the wording in red as below:

"12. will approve the Members Allowance Scheme **including any pension provision** for elected Members following advice from the Independent Remuneration Panel;

(b) Paragraph 7 of page 107 be amended by removing the wording in red as below:

"7. overseeing and monitoring the Members' Allowance budget, **including pensions**, and keeping under review the scheme for the payment of allowances to Members through the appointment of an Independent Remuneration Panel to advise the Council on the adoption of the scheme and on any proposed amendments;"

22 That paragraph 7 of the responsibilities of Cabinet (Constitution page 62) be amended to reflect that Human Resources Policies are approved by Staffing Committee:

"7. **developing**, monitoring and reviewing any Council Corporate personnel and human resources policies;"

23 That paragraph 1 (b) of the Strategic Planning Board terms of reference (Constitution page 88) be amended as follows:

~~to vary the number, size and working arrangements of the Planning Committees, to appoint their membership to vary the division of functions and delegations between the Board, the Planning Committees and the Director of Planning & Sustainable Development.~~

24 That the paragraph 2 (b) of the Strategic Planning Board terms of reference (Constitution page 89) be amended as follows:

(b) submitted by a councillor, senior Council officer (**Grade 12** or above) or a member of staff employed within the Development Management and Policy service area; or by an immediate family member or partner of these.

25 That the Head of Legal Services and Monitoring officer be given delegated authority to make consequential changes to the Constitution to reflect the change in title from Corporate Leadership Board to Management Group Board.

26 That the wording of paragraph 3.2 (Constitution page 30), which relates to Task and Finish Groups, be amended to read as follows:

“Any Committee which sets up a Task and Finish Group will appoint its Chairman (and Vice-Chairman, if appropriate) and agree the membership. This must be cross party.”

27 That paragraph 4.2 of the (Constitution page 49 Chapter 13 – Finance, Contracts and Legal Matters) be amended by adding the wording in red as follows:

“4.2 Any contract entered into on behalf of the Council shall be made in accordance with the Council's Finance Procedure Rules and Contract Procedure Rules. In the absence of any authority given to a specific officer under the Council's Finance Procedure Rules and Contract Procedure Rules all such contracts must either be signed by at least the Head of Legal Services or his/her authorised deputy, plus another of his/her authorised deputies or be made under the common seal of the Council.

28 That the terms of reference of the Macclesfield Local Service Delivery Committee are deleted from the Constitution as following the creation of Macclesfield Town Council, this committee and references to it in the Constitution are now obsolete.

29 That paragraph 22.1 (Constitution page 196) which relates to the term of office of Members of committees and sub-committees, be amended as per the wording in red below:

“22.1 Committee and Sub-Committee Members will be appointed by the Council. The Council may, at any time, dissolve, alter or amend the membership of a Committee or Sub-Committee.”

30 That paragraph 28.6 of the Constitution (page 198) which related to the minutes of Committees and sub-committees, be amended by replacing 1 hour with 24 hours as shown in red below:

“28.6 . Where a Member has a question or comment on an exempt, private or confidential Minute, the question or comment must be given in writing to the Monitoring Officer at least 24 hours before the start of the meeting

31 That the Constitution is amended in accordance with the changes set out in Appendix 7 (Local Choice Functions).

32 The Committee recommends to Council that the Constitution is amended in accordance with the changes set out in Appendix 8 (Contract Procedure Rules) and the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Constitution Committee agree the content and format of the Procurement Engagement Form.

33 Following the deletion of the post of Executive Director Strategic Commissioning, the Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer be given the delegated authority to implement the necessary changes to the Constitution to reflect the re-allocation of delegations within the Officer Scheme of Delegation.

40 **RECOMMENDATION FROM THE AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE - REVIEW OF STANDARDS ARRANGEMENTS FOR DEALING WITH CODE OF CONDUCT COMPLAINTS**

Consideration was given to a report relating to the Code of Conduct Complaints procedure, which had last been approved by Council on 17 July 2014.

The report now before Council gave details of a review of the approved procedures to be followed when considering a complaint that an elected member of the Council or of a town or parish council within its area has failed to comply with the Council's Member Code of Conduct and recommended improvements to them.

**RESOLVED**

(a) That the proposed revised arrangements for dealing with complaints about members who are alleged to have breached their Council's code of conduct for members be approved.

(b) That the plain English version of the guidance "How to make a complaint" at **Appendix 3** of the report replace the current version of that guidance on the council website;

(c) That the amended complaint form set out at **Appendix 2** be adopted; and

(d) That the amended overview document set out at **Appendix 4** and the amended hearing procedure set out at **Appendix 5** be adopted.

41 **APPOINTMENT TO THE FIRE AUTHORITY**

Consideration was given to a report which invited Council to make an appointment to the Cheshire Fire Authority, to fill the vacancy following the death of Cllr Peter Mason.

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor Steven Edgar be appointed to the Cheshire Fire Authority.

## 42 LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Leader announced that:

With immediate effect, Councillor Sam Gardner had been appointed to Cabinet, his new portfolio to be open spaces, Councillor Liz Durham to replace him as Deputy Cabinet Member for finance.

He had recently returned from China as part of a trade delegation where he had met with businesses looking to invest in Cheshire East.

He had recently met with government Ministers on a number of matters, but understood that an announcement regarding HS2 was imminent.

He welcomed the Chancellor's recent announcement that Councils would soon be able to retain most of the business rates paid by local businesses, which could be of significant value to Cheshire East.

Sunday marked the 100<sup>th</sup> day since the Bosley explosion and he paid tribute to those who had raised money, including Stoke-on-Trent City Council.

Work on the UCT was progressing and to build on this, an ASDV would be set up to deal with learning and skills.;

The Cheshire and Warrington and Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs) had signed a concordat to drive forward the Northern Gateway Partnership and unlock major growth and investment opportunities.

The Engine of the North was assisting in delivering affordable housing to rent for those who needed this.

Cheshire Police had been ranked in the top five of the Peel reports.

## 43 NOTICES OF MOTION

The following Notices of Motion were submitted to Council in accordance with Procedure Rule 12:-

### **1 Syrian Refuges**

**Proposed by Councillor Sam Corcoran and Seconded by Councillor Irene Faseyi**

"This Council would welcome an appropriate number of Syrian refugees to Cheshire East."

### **2 Trade Union Membership**

**Proposed by Councillor Damian Bailey and Seconded by Councillor Nick Mannion**

"That this Council recognises the positive contribution that trade union members make in our workplaces. This Council values the constructive relationship that we have with our trade unions and we recognise their commitment, and the commitment of all of our staff, to the delivery of good quality public services.

This Council notes with concern the Trade Union Bill which is currently being proposed by the Government which would affect this Council's relationship with our trade unions and workforce as a whole. This Council rejects this Bill's attack on local democracy and the attack on the right to manage our own affairs.

This Council is clear that facility time, negotiated and agreed by us and our trade unions to suit our own specific needs has a valuable role to play in the creation of good quality, responsive local services that truly puts our residents first. Facility time should not be determined or controlled by the Government in London.

This Council is happy with the arrangements we currently have in place for deducting trade union membership subscriptions through the payroll. We see this as an important part of our positive industrial relations and a cheap and easy way to administer a system that supports our staff. This system is an administrative matter for this Council and it should not be interfered with.

This Council further resolves to seek to continue its own locally agreed industrial relations strategy and will take every measure possible to maintain its autonomy with regard to facility time and the continuing use of check-off."

**RESOLVED**

That motions stand referred to Cabinet.

**44 QUESTIONS**

Members asked the following questions:-

Councillor Steve Carter in respect of the timings of Council meetings - The Leader of the Council responded.

Councillor Paul Bates in respect of comments in the press relating to Cheshire East - The Leader of the Council responded.

Councillor Wait in respect of Northern Gateway - The Leader of the Council responded.

Councillor Arthur Moran in respect of a shortage of places at primary schools - The Portfolio Holder for Children and Families, Councillor Rachel Bailey responded.

Councillor Laura Jeuda in respect of contracts tended for by Everybody Sports and Leisure - The Leader of the Council responded.

Councillor Rod Menlove in respect of the recent reduction to the Council's pest control services – The Communities Portfolio Holder, Councillor Les Gilbert, responded.

Councillor Nick Mannion in respect of contracts tended for by CoSocius - The Leader of the Council responded.

Councillor Craig Browne in respect of Section 106 monies – The Housing and Planning Portfolio Holder, Councillor Ainsley Arnold, responded.

Councillor Les Gilbert in respect of securing a Holmes Chapel bypass and protecting land from development - The Leader of the Council responded.

Councillor Dorothy Flude in respect of correspondence relating to Councillor Jones - The Leader of the Council responded.

Councillor Lesley Smetham in respect of the impact of the Northern Powerhouse and the green belt - The Leader of the Council responded.

Councillor Alift Harewood in respect of Syrian Refugees - The Leader of the Council responded.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 1.05 pm

Councillor H Gaddum (Chairman)  
CHAIRMAN