# **Congleton Town Council**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> September 2015 in the Town Hall, Congleton.

PRESENT: Councillors Mrs S Akers Smith

Mrs D Allen
Mrs A L Armitt
J G Baggott
P Bates
R Boston
C Booth
P Broom
D T Brown
G R Edwards
Mrs S A Holland

Mrs E Wardlaw (Town Mayor)

G S Williams

## 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence. (Members are respectfully reminded of the necessity to submit any apology for absence in advance and to give a reason for non-attendance).

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors N Adams, G P Hayes, Mrs A E Morrison and Mrs J D Parry.

#### 2. **MINUTES**

**CTC/28/1516 RESOLVED-** That the Minutes of the meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2015 be approved and signed by the Mayor.

## 3. <u>DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST</u>

Members are requested to declare both "non pecuniary" and "pecuniary" interests as early in the meeting as they become aware of it.

Cllrs P Bates, D T Brown, Mrs E Wardlaw and G S Williams declared a non-pecuniary interest in any matters related to Cheshire East Council.

Cllr P Bates declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 13.

## 4. **OUTSTANDING ACTIONS**

None.

#### 5. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no questions from members of the public.

#### 6. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Town Mayor drew attention to the various engagements that she and the Deputy Town Mayor had fulfilled since the last Council meeting.

#### 7. PLANNING COMMITTEE

CTC/29/1516 RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings held on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2015 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

#### 8. COMMUNITY, ENVIRONMENT & SERVICES COMMITTEE

**CTC/30/1516 RESOLVED that** the minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2015 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

### 9. **FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE**

**CTC/31/1516 RESOLVED that** the minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> June and 16<sup>th</sup> July 2015 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

#### 10. **URGENT ITEMS**

There were no urgent matters raised.

### 11. CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS' REPORT

Cllr D T Brown informed the Council that the Planning application for the Link Road would be submitted on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

#### 12. YOUTH COMMITTEE

There were no questions raised by the Youth Committee.

#### 13. **CONGLETON PARTNERSHIP**

Steve Foster the Chairman of Congleton Partnership provided an overview of the Partnership activities over the years. He pointed out that the volunteers who form the Partnership have been involved in many projects to improve the wellbeing of the Town.

The Partnership has an Executive Committee consisting of 20 members and is non-political.

#### 14. LOCAL COUNCIL AWARD SCHEME

The Council considered the new Local Council Award Scheme which was introduced in early 2015 which consists of 3 levels, Foundation Level, Quality Award, and Gold Award.

**CTC/32/1516 RESOLVED that** this matter be deferred to the next meeting of the Town Council. When it is raised again the name of the Lead members on quality will be provided.

Mrs E Wardlaw TOWN MAYOR