

REPORT TO PICKMERE PARISH COUNCIL

1st December 2020

AGENDA ITEM 8.5 – CEC Consultation – Transport and parking

1. Report

1.1 The following is an extract from a news release by Cheshire East Council.

Cheshire East Council has launched public consultations on local transport and parking plans across the borough. The consultations will end on 31 January 2021, will seek to engage with communities, towns, elected members and stakeholders. The results of this exercise will inform the future direction of how to improve transport, walking and cycling in our towns. It will also inform proposals, which would be subject to further consultation, regarding changes to parking provision and potential changes to car parking charges in the borough.

The local transport plan consultations are based around the following themes:

- **Accessibility for all** – considering all travel needs;
- **Sustainability** – improving walking, cycling and public transport;
- **Quality of the public realm** – managing traffic to support town centres and the visitor economy;
- **Better neighbourhoods** – improving amenities where people live; and
- **Connectivity** – the strategic links needed to access work, education and essential services, such as hospitals.

The car parking consultation looks at:

- *The role of parking in accessing town centres (current and future);*
- *The level of parking charges in Cheshire East and scope for harmonisation;*
- *On-street parking restrictions; and*
- *Improving parking services.*

The responses to the consultations will be used to shape policies and proposals going forward.

To find out more and take part in the consultations visit the council's web page at: www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/LocalTransportEngagement

1.2 The Local Transport Delivery Plan contains a range of measures aiming to improve transport links of all sorts in the Knutsford part of the district, which includes Pickmere, although no reference to Pickmere has been found in the online document. Reference to the online document will illustrate the kinds of measure proposed. A separate online survey relates to car parking and its future role.

2. Recommendation

2.1 That the report be noted and any comments be passed to CEC.