

## REPORT TO PICKMERE PARISH COUNCIL

7<sup>th</sup> February 2017

### AGENDA ITEM 7.10 – Request for funding contribution to Mid Cheshire Against HS2

#### 1 Background

1.1 An email has been received from the Treasurer of the above group reading as follows:

Dear Councillors

*I write on behalf of 'Mid Cheshire Against HS2', an action group established in the Spring of 2013 with the aim of helping residents understand the effect of HS2 in the Mid-Cheshire Area and campaigning for changes to the project that will make the lives of residents, both private individuals and businesses, as tolerable as possible. We particularly wish to ensure that mitigation means are maximised and that residents affected by HS2 are successful in receiving fair and proportional compensation. We broadly cover the route of HS2 from Wimboldsley in the south through to Wincham to the north.*

As experienced in the last six months, we anticipate that during the coming year we will have to find a significant sum of money to pay for the engagement of experts to provide impartial corroboration of our communications with HS2 Ltd. Having already laid out a considerable sum to commission detailed Geotechnical reports on the area, due to the refinements to the route announced in November 2016 we are particularly in need of independent expertise in the noise field.

Some of your parishioners are on our membership/ mailing list, so we are taking the liberty of asking if you are able to consider making a donation to Mid Cheshire Against HS2 to assist us with the continuation of the provision of the help we have so far provided to your parishioners.

We look forward to hearing from you,

Yours sincerely

Christopher Triffitt  
Hon. Treasurer – Mid Cheshire Against HS2

#### 2 Recommendation

2.1 That Council consider the content of the email and decide what action to take in respect of its contents.

**Jack Steel**  
Clerk to Parish Council