

NEWSLETTER

Cheshire East Residents Hub



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Headlines:

Cheshire and Warrington leaders reassure rural local communities that "no-one will be left behind by devolution as the benefits will go to all communities across the whole area".



READ THEIR UPDATE [HERE!](#)

This Month:

In Focus - We take a closer look at the Capital Programme and Forecast Funding for the next four years and examine how much money the council will be borrowing against expenditure!



In the Spotlight - We provide an update on DEVOLUTION and the results of the public consultation data finally released by Government!



EXCITING UPCOMING EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2025

CLONTER FAIR AND CAR BOOT SALE - CONGLETON

Sunday 7th September - 10am - 4pm

PAPRYUS CHARITY MOTOWN EVENING - NANTWICH

Friday 12th September - 8pm

HEALING THROUGH HIKING FREE WALK - TEGGS NOSE

Sunday 14th September

JUDE'S MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING - SANDBACH UNITED FC

Friday 19th September

COMEDY NIGHT - THE ARENA, CREWE

Saturday 20th September - 7pm

Click [here](#) for CHESHIRE RANGER EVENTS

In Focus!

DID YOU KNOW?



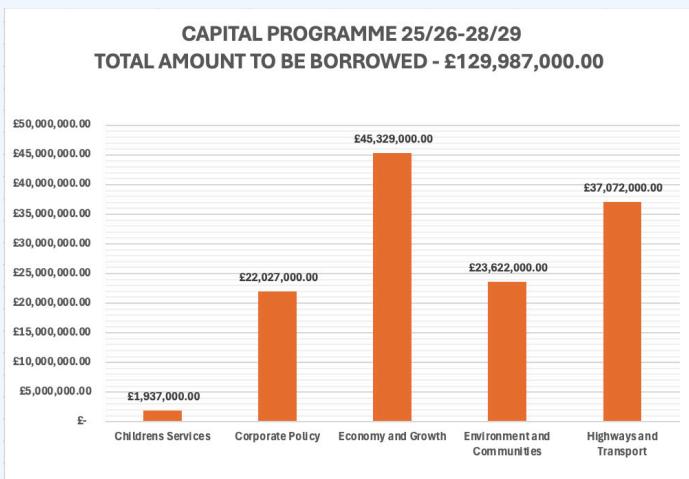
£129,987,000.00

THAT'S HOW MUCH MONEY THE COUNCIL ARE BORROWING FROM THE PRUDENTIAL TO FUND SOME OF THEIR PROJECTS OVER THE NEXT FOUR YEARS!

What does this mean?

According to the Capital Programme 2025/26 - 2028/29 the council intend to borrow just shy of £130 million to cover, in some cases entire committed projects.

The following graph is a representation of expected borrowing over 5 areas highlighting the total amount to be borrowed over each area.



The following is a breakdown of each area and only includes projects where borrowing has been identified.

| Area | Total Expenditure | Total Borrowing | % of Borrowing |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Children & Families | £4,551,000.00 | £1,937,000.00 | 42.5% |
| Corporate Policy | £22,027,000.00 | £22,027,000.00 | 100% |
| Economy & Growth | £92,584,000.00 | £20,341,000.00 | 21.9% |
| Environment & Communities | £23,622,000.00 | £23,622,000.00 | 100% |
| Highways & Transport | £152,591,000.00 | £37,072,000.00 | 24.2% |

One of the most concerning is 100% of all Corporate Policy projects, without exception, will need to be fully funded by borrowing!

These cover ICT Services and Finance and Customer Services!

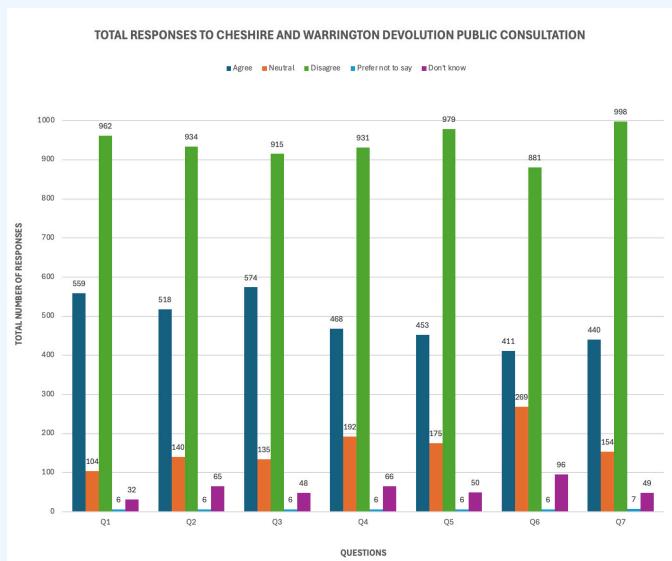
Not entirely sure how any of this spending benefits the taxpayer!

In the Spotlight!



DEVOLUTION UPDATE!

On the 17th July the Government finally released the data on the CHESHIRE AND WARRINGTON DEVOLUTION CONSULTATION!



SURPRISE SURPRISE the above graph clearly shows that once again the majority of those who responded disagreed with all questions yet the Government attempted to counter this negative response with their usual pacifying excuses!

Annex B: Consultation respondents

Respondents using the Citizen Space response form were asked to self-report on their respondent type.

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| Public | 1,574 |
| Academic | 3 |
| Business | 25 |
| Unitary Council | 3 |
| Elected representative | 7 |
| Parish Council | 9 |
| Town Council | 1 |
| Voluntary and community sector or charity | 15 |
| Other | 26 |

The above figures provide a full breakdown of the total number of people who responded and their area of representation.

The Full Council will meet on September 17th to vote on whether they wish to proceed with devolution.

Cheshire West and Chester will have a final decision on 10th September and Warrington Borough Council will have their final decision on 22nd September.

COUNCIL WATCH

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CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT!

In just under 2 years we will have the opportunity to vote for councillors in our local elections. We've been doing it for years without any real understanding of exactly who we are voting for! They may represent the political party of our choice but do they really represent WE THE PEOPLE?

Cheshire East Council currently have 23 Committees that meet regularly to discuss, debate and decide on issues that affect YOU the taxpayer!

Anyone can attend these meetings, take notes, ask questions but unfortunately not many people have the time, nor the inclination!

JOIN OUR TEAM OF COUNCIL WATCHERS TODAY!

We are looking for volunteers who are interested in becoming more actively involved in these committee meetings (as many or as few as you like)! You can attend in person or listen to live audio and webcast feeds, take notes and get a gist of what is being discussed and decided. Highlights and any areas of concern can then be reported via the website and social media groups, prior to the minutes being uploaded!

We have the skills, we have the motivation so let's apply the pressure and get ahead of the game!

DO YOU WANT A PEOPLE LED COUNCIL OR A POLITICALLY LED COUNCIL?

Click here to register your interest.

"YOU CAN'T INFLUENCE CHANGE IF YOU DON'T KNOW THE PLAN!"



HAVE YOUR SAY!

IF YOU HAVE ANY UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO SHARE ON PAGE 1 OF THIS NEWSLETTER, PLEASE EMAIL US WITH THE DETAILS AT admin@cherhub.co.uk

NO CURRENT PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS



TAXPAYERS have been waiting almost 7 WEEKS to see a copy of the letter submitted to the Secretary of State for Housing Communities and Local Government to seek a reduction in the Housing Target, AS PROMISED at the last Council meeting!

THIS IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH!

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