

CORPORATE RESOURCES
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO FULL COUNCIL

JULY 2008

Cllr Ray Knapton

The first meeting of the year took place on 12 June 2008.

Discussion took place on the desirability of keeping the length of meetings to two to three hours, as recommended by Dr Snape. The Chairman and Scrutiny Officer will discuss agendas to try and separate items for full scrutiny from items for information.

Concerns were expressed at the rate of progress on the Shared Service Agenda, it was reported that the degree of co-operation was improving.

Reassurance was sought from Officers that target dates would be met for the Pay and Workforce Strategy.

The Committee was pleased to receive a very up to date Corporate Performance Monitoring Report but were concerned at the absence of the relevant Officer or Portfolio Holder to explain areas of worsening performance.

The financial reports were presented late on the agenda and Members considered that they could do greater justice to scrutiny if such reports were at the start of the agenda.

The final report was on the Tullie House Governance Project and Members were concerned that progress may be taking place ahead of full scrutiny, they requested that a joint member workshop be set up to fully explore the pros and cons before any firm commitment was envisaged.

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