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REPORT OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN – COUNCILLOR C RUTHERFORD

There has only been one meeting of the Infrastructure Committee since the last full Council meeting on 15 January 2002. This was on 31 January 2002 and the Minutes of that meeting are on the order paper. There have been no call-ins.

There have been three meetings since the new system came into place and all three quite lengthy with some business at the last one having to be deferred because of insufficient time.

The question of the length of the agenda is one that needs to be looked at as does the frequency and format of meetings. A workshop has been planned for 27 February when a review of some of the working practices/problems of the new system will take place. Hopefully this particular problem will be resolved.

There have been two training sessions for Overview and Scrutiny Members.

One relating to questioning techniques and the other for Chairmen. Both were extremely useful and could be repeated at a future date.

Councillor C Rutherford 25 February 2002