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**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE  
INFRASTRUCTURE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE  
HELD ON 1 NOVEMBER 2001**

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**IOS.8/01      WORK PROGRAMME**

The Committee, in setting a programme of work, considered the following:

- (d) Suggestions from Members of the Infrastructure Overview and Scrutiny Committee for inclusion in the Work Programme

A Member commented that Officers appeared to be devoting a great deal of time in an attempt to secure grants to finance works such as drainage which were eventually refused. It was suggested that the issue be forwarded to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee for guidance on whether a review was appropriate.

A Member expressed concern at the potential disruption throughout the City caused by the installation of Cable TV.

The Director of Environment and Development indicated that he would be giving a verbal report on the matter to the Executive on 5 November. He added that he had met with the Company and extensive disruption was likely during the construction process. He added that he would be happy to submit a report on those works and key issues to a future meeting of this Committee.

Councillor Prest, Portfolio Holder for Infrastructure, Environment and Transport was present at the meeting and, at the invitation of the Chairman, commented that he had also been in discussion with the Company who had submitted an application for premises which would be considered by the Development Control Committee the following day. He added that the Company was willing to supply a copy of their work programme and he would keep this Committee informed.

A Member expressed concern as to whether Ward Members would be kept informed since there would inevitably be enquiries from citizens and questioned the impact on the work of the Highway Authority. The Director of Environment and Development commented that the Highway Authority was actively engaged in the process and he undertook to circulate details to Members whose Wards would be affected. The Portfolio Holder added that the Company had details of every Member on the Council and would be making contact. In addition, the Leader was arranging for the Cabling Company to make a presentation to all Members of the City Council.

With regard to the communication of information to Members generally, it was felt that the Executive should be asked to investigate the most effective manner by which Members could be kept informed.

A Member suggested that it would be beneficial if items relating to the Forward Plan and detailing the Committee's work schedule be included on the Agenda of future meetings.

A Member suggested that the relationship between the City Council, the County Council and Capita DBS be clarified and that details of problem areas, contact numbers and monitoring be provided.

RESOLVED – (1) That the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee be requested to provide guidance on whether a review of time spent in attempting to secure grant aid to finance works such as drainage was appropriate.

(2) That the Director of Environment and Development be requested to submit a report on the installation of Cable TV in Carlisle to a future meeting of this Committee.

\* (3) That the Executive be requested to investigate the implementation of a process by which information was communicated to Ward Members, in particular, events/actions affecting their Wards.

(4) That items relating to the Forward Plan and the Committee's current work schedule be included on future Agendas.

(5) That investigation of the relationship between the City Council, the County Council and Capita DBS be included in this Committee's Work Programme.