
**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
HELD ON 25 OCTOBER 2001**

OSM.14/01 BUDGET FOR OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

The Head of Corporate Policy and Strategy reminded Members that there had been some discussion at a previous meeting of whether Overview and Scrutiny Committees should have a specific budget.

He advised that whilst a budget was available for Best Value Reviews, there were other Reviews which would be carried out by the Committees and these may involve getting external evidence from witnesses, the payment of travelling expenses, the commissioning or buying in of research, and the use of different venues which would have consequential hire charges. He suggested that if Members felt there should be an Overview and Scrutiny Committee Budget, they should put forward a budget bid to the Executive.

After discussion and voting, it was agreed that the Executive be asked to provide a budget of £5,000 for Overview and Scrutiny Committees to carry out Reviews.

RESOLVED – That the Executive be asked to provide a budget of £5,000 to Overview and Scrutiny Committees to carry out Reviews.