#### NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### 20<sup>TH</sup> February 2008

# TRANSPORT AND TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

#### STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN

The Transport and Telecommunication Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee has not met since the last full Council meeting although the in-depth scrutiny review on Winter Maintenance continues to gather pace.

#### **Scrutiny Review**

## **Winter Maintenance Scrutiny Task Group**

The Task Group was originally comprised of myself and Councillors Geoffrey Cullern (the Chairman of the Task Group), Martin Smith, Tim Swales and Chris Pearson and we are now pleased to welcome County Councillor Michael Heseltine on board what is proving to be an extremely interesting and detailed review.

The review will involve an assessment of winter maintenance routes considering the Highway Maintenance Network Hierarchy and through consultation with Parish Councils, the public and partners, County Council engineers and other experts will look at other winter maintenance factors, such as access and isolation.

We have already arranged to meet with several Parish Councils and further consultation is planned. The Group intends to visit each of the Area Committees once we have some proposals to consult upon but first further information gathering is taking place with visits to other County Councils and around our own road network. So if you see us out and about and would like to feed into the review please just stop us and talk to us..

County Councillor Eric Broadbent Chairman Transport and Telecommunication Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee February 2008