

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

18 FEBRUARY 2009

CORPORATE AFFAIRS OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN

In consultation with the Committee's Vice Chairman and Group Spokesperson I took the decision to roll forward the reports scheduled for the January meeting of the Committee onto the March meeting. This has freed up a meeting for the annual look at enhanced two tier working.

Future work programme

The Committee has a busy year ahead with overview and progress reports already scheduled for:

* Payment of expenses to voluntary sector consultees	* Sustainable Procurement
* Members' I.T	* NYCC Mobile Phone Policy
* Information governance	* Public Liability
* Equality Standard	* Corporate Risk Register
* Use of resources	* Casual Agency & Relief Staff Project update
* Health & safety	* Succession Planning update
* Corporate Asset Management	

Enhanced two tier working

The report on enhanced two tier working was presented to the Executive on the 4th November 2008 and as is customary for scrutiny reports it was referred to the Executive Member with the appropriate responsibility, in this case Corporate Affairs. We will be contacting the District and Borough Councils to arrange an annual meeting to look at progress being made. We hope that in some small way the overview and scrutiny process can assist our councils to maintain the momentum on enhanced two tier working.

In-depth review - The role of the Manager in NYCC

This Task and Finish Group has completed its look at how we can ensure that North Yorkshire County Council has the required management capability through its processes of recruiting, developing and managing managers. The Task Group which was made up of County Councillors Keith Barnes (Task Group Chairman), Margaret-Ann de Courcey-Bayley and John Savage will report back to the Committee on the 16 March 2009 and to the Executive on the 28th April 2009.

County Councillor Margaret-Ann de Courcey-Bayley
Chairman – Corporate Affairs Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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