

Worcestershire County Council and District Councils
Joint Scrutiny on Flooding
Report of meeting at County Hall Monday 4th January 2008.

Those present: County Council officers, members from various districts and the Worcester News. The meeting lasted nearly two hours.

Cllr Martin King was elected to Chair the Committee.

The meeting focused on scoping the scrutiny and future meetings.

19 issues had been submitted for consideration. These were discussed for most of the meeting, resulting in a shorter list but one that covered those areas that it was felt the Committee, could usefully offer recommendation on.

These fell into several areas of concern:

Communications : How can these be improved? What information is needed from whom and for whom?

Drainage : How to better manage the environment? A question on maintenance of water courses.

Economics : Impact on the farming community and businesses. The management of the recovery phase. In the short, medium and long term.

Data : Collecting data from a wide range of sources and making this available to all partners.

The 19 issues generated other topics that were discussed and either rejected or combined into the list.

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