

## **REPORT OF URGENT ACTION: ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL – NEW POLITICAL STRUCTURES**

### **1 SUMMARY**

- 1.1 This report informs members of urgent action taken under the procedure agreed by Council on 25 July 2000 (Minute 254/00).

### **2 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 Council resolved that authority be delegated to the Chief Executive and/or the Corporate Directors to take decisions in cases of urgency, after consultation with the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the appropriate Committee of the Council and Group Leaders. All decisions taken in this manner would be reported to the next Meeting of the Council or the appropriate Committee.
- 2.2 At its Meeting on 14 November 2000, the Structural and Procedural Review Sub-Committee considered the report of the Chief Executive seeking views on the new political arrangements operating at Essex County Council. As the County Council's deadline for submission of views was 15 November, it was agreed that arrangements be made under the urgent business procedure to forward the Sub-Committee's views to the County.
- 2.3 The necessary Member agreement to taking urgent action was obtained and a letter sent to the County Council.

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### **Background Papers:**

None

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