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To: Members of the Climate Change Working Group – Councillors AN Berent, Mrs VG Ford, R Hall, Dr SA Harangozo, JA Hockney, Dr DR de Lacey, CR Nightingale, PW Topping and Dr SEK van de Ven

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Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend the next meeting of **CLIMATE CHANGE WORKING GROUP**, which will be held in **MONKFIELD ROOM, FIRST FLOOR** at South Cambridgeshire Hall on **THURSDAY, 10 JULY 2008 at 10.00 a.m.**

Yours faithfully
GJ HARLOCK
Chief Executive

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| 3. | Apologies for Absence
To receive apologies for absence from committee members. | |
| 4. | Declarations of Interest | |
| 5. | Minutes of Previous Meeting | 1 - 4 |
| 6. | Upper Cambourne Planning Application - Update
The current outline planning application for 950 extra homes at Upper Cambourne is currently under discussion and potentially subject to amendment and a master-planning process. As requested at the previous Working Group meeting, the New Village / Special Projects Officer (Cambourne) will supply members with an update on progress. | |
| 7. | Utilising Renewable Energy Resources within South Cambridgeshire
At the last meeting of the Working Group, members considered the emerging direction and draft content of the Enviro report that was | 5 - 70 |

commissioned earlier this year to review and analyse South Cambridgeshire's renewable energy resources. The objective of this report is to prioritise appropriate Council and Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) activities that will help ensure that the district can make the best use of its renewable energy resources in directly and tangibly steering itself towards low-carbon living in a low-carbon economy. The brief for the report placed a particular emphasis upon community-focused options at the village/parish level. The final report has now been completed with a presentation made to Council and LSP members and partners at a seminar on 4th July 2008.

Members are asked to consider what should be the key substantive content and format of a detailed phased and resourced implementation plan which takes account of:

- i.) the report's conclusions;
- ii.) the output of the recent seminar, and;
- iii.) the current Local Public Service Agreement (LPSA) Reward Grant submission (£250k community-focused capital bid – considered and approved by members 17th January 2008).

The full Enviro report is attached for members' consideration (and for reference a copy of the LPSA reward Grant bid). The relevant findings and outputs from the 4th July seminar will be presented verbally.

Maps enclosed with the paper copy of the agenda in black and white can be viewed in colour on the Council's website by following the links from www.scams.gov.uk/meetings > Committees

8. Consultation on a UK Renewable Energy Strategy

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The Department for Business Enterprise and Regulatory Reform (BERR) has recently (26th June 2008) opened consultation on a *UK Renewable Energy Strategy*. This is potentially a very important document and members are asked to review the attached Executive Summary with a view to considering how best to draft a Council response to the consultation process. The list of consultation questions is also attached. A 'sifting' of this list for those areas of particular interest and relevance to the Council could make a useful starting point for consideration. The consultation will close on 26th September 2008 with responses helping to shape the new strategy which will be published in spring 2009. The full document and further details can be found at: <http://renewableconsultation.berr.gov.uk/> .

9. Date of next meeting

18 September 2008 at 10.00am