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South Cambridgeshire District Council

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To: Councillor MP Howell - Staffing Portfolio Holder Councillors RB Martlew and RT Summerfield – Opposition Spokesmen Councillor Miss JA Dipple – Scrutiny and Overview Committee Monitor

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend the next **STAFFING PORTFOLIO HOLDER'S MEETING**, which will be held in the **MONKFIELD ROOM** at South Cambridgeshire Hall on **TUESDAY**, **16 SEPTEMBER 2008** at **4:00 p.m**.

Yours faithfully **GJ HARLOCK** Chief Executive

**Apologies for Absence** 

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# AGENDA

2.	Minutes of Previous Meeting To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 17 June 2008.	1 - 6
3.	Declarations of Interest	
	DECISION ITEM	
4.	<b>Review of the Workforce Plan</b> To consider a report on a review of the Workforce Plan.	7 - 40
5.	<b>Fuel Reimbursement for Contract Hire Users</b> To consider a report on the fuel reimbursement rate and mileage claim payment method for Contract Hire users	41 - 46
6.	Schools Work Experience Programme To consider a report of the Human Resources Manager.	47 - 58
7.	Forward PlanAt the June meeting, the Portfolio Holder identified the following items for consideration within his portfolio during this municipal year:i)Car Leasesiv)Absentee Action Plansii)Equal Pay – updatev)Officer Member Relationshipsiii)Succession Planningvi)Schools Work Experience	

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