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South Cambridgeshire District Council

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 To: The Leader – Councillor Peter Topping Deputy Leader – Councillor Nick Wright Members of the Cabinet – Councillors Francis Burkitt, Simon Edwards, Lynda Harford, Mark Howell, Robert Turner and Tim Wotherspoon
Quorum: Majority of the Cabinet including the Leader or Deputy Leader

**Dear Councillor** 

You are invited to attend the next meeting of **CABINET**, which will be held in the **SWANSLEY ROOM A AND B - GROUND FLOOR** at South Cambridgeshire Hall on **THURSDAY**, 19 **JANUARY 2017** at 2.00 p.m.

Yours faithfully Alex Colyer Interim Chief Executive

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# **OUR LONG-TERM VISION**

South Cambridgeshire will continue to be the best place to live, work and study in the country. Our district will demonstrate impressive and sustainable economic growth. Our residents will have a superb quality of life in an exceptionally beautiful, rural and green environment.

# OUR VALUES

We will demonstrate our corporate values in all our actions. These are:

- Working Together
- Integrity
- Dynamism
- Innovation

# GUIDANCE NOTES FOR VISITORS TO SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE HALL Notes to help those people visiting the South Cambridgeshire District Council offices

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