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To: Chairman – Councillor Mrs PS Corney  
Vice-Chairman – Councillor RJ Turner  
All Members of the Planning Committee - Councillors Mrs PM Bear, BR Burling,  
TD Bygott, Mrs JM Guest, Mrs SA Hatton, SGM Kindersley, MB Loynes,  
CR Nightingale, Mrs DP Roberts, Mrs HM Smith, PW Topping and JF Williams,  
and to Councillor NIC Wright (Planning Portfolio Holder)

Quorum: 4

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend the next meeting of **PLANNING COMMITTEE**, which will be held in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, FIRST FLOOR** at South Cambridgeshire Hall on **WEDNESDAY, 1 APRIL 2009** at **2.00 p.m.**

Yours faithfully  
**GJ HARLOCK**  
Chief Executive

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**This Supplement contains comments from the Council's Equality and Diversity Officer**

#### AGENDA

- 11. Planning Sub-Committee – future arrangements for enforcement against breaches of planning control**  
Appendix 1 is attached to the electronic version of the agenda, available on the Council's website.

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- (2) The Council considers every planning application on its merits and in the context of national, regional and local planning policy. As part of the Council's customer service standards, Councillors and officers aim to put customers first, deliver outstanding service and provide easy access to services and information. At all times, we will treat customers with respect and will be polite, patient and honest. The Council is also committed to treat everyone fairly and justly, and to promote equality. This applies to all residents and customers, planning applicants and those people against whom the Council is taking, or proposing to take, planning enforcement action. More details can be found on the Council's website under 'Council and Democracy'.

**SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

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<b>REPORT TO:</b>	Planning Committee	1 April 2009
<b>AUTHOR/S:</b>	Executive Director / Corporate Manager (Planning and Sustainable Communities)	

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**Planning Sub-Committee – future arrangements for enforcement against breaches of planning control****Update to the report****Consultations**

The Equality and Diversity Officer states as follows:

“...I agree with the proposal set out in paragraph 5 - Option C, as it supports the council's Race Equality Scheme, where functions relating to planning applications, planning enforcement and appeals have been identified as having the most scope for promoting race equality.

This proposal would also go some way to address community cohesion, which is a major theme of the re-drafted Gypsy and Traveller Strategy...”

**Additional Background Papers:** the following background papers (additional to those referred to in the agenda report) were used in the preparation of this update:

None

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