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To: The Leader – Councillor RMA Manning
Deputy Leader – Councillor SM Edwards
Members of the Cabinet – Councillors Dr DR Bard, Mrs SM Ellington, MP Howell,
AG Orgee, TJ Wotherspoon and NIC Wright
Quorum: 4 plus 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, GROUND FLOOR** at South Cambridgeshire Hall on **THURSDAY, 15 JANUARY 2009** at **2.00 p.m.**

Yours faithfully
GJ HARLOCK
Chief Executive

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AGENDA

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PROCEDURAL ITEMS

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
To receive apologies for absence from Cabinet members.
- 2. Minutes of Previous Meeting**
To authorise the Leader to sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 11 December 2008 as a correct record. **1 - 6**
- 3. Declarations of Interest**
- 4. Public Questions**

RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

- 5. A Vision for the Council**
Cabinet, at its meeting in October 2008, recommended that Council adopt a series of Aims, Approaches and Actions for the Council (the 'Three As'). These three As were subsequently adopted by the Council on 27 November.

The Council's agreed strategic aims are as follows:

- a. We are committed to being a listening council, providing first class services accessible to all.
- b. We are committed to ensuring that South Cambridgeshire continues to be a safe and healthy place for you and your family
- c. We are committed to making South Cambridgeshire a place in which residents can feel proud to live
- d. We are committed to assisting provision for local jobs for you and your family
- e. We are committed to providing a voice for rural life

The Leader and Council expressed a wish to incorporate all elements of these aims into a Vision for the Council which encapsulates what South Cambridgeshire District Council is aspiring to achieve in the eyes of its employees, Members, partners and customers.

Cabinet has worked with officers to develop this vision, and is now requested to **RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL** that the following Vision for the Council be adopted:

'To make South Cambridgeshire a safe and healthy place where residents are proud to live and where there will be opportunities for employment, enterprise and world-leading innovation. We will be a listening Council, providing a voice for rural life and first-class services accessible to all'.

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(A) DEVELOPMENT AFFECTING CONSERVATION AREAS

(B) OPEN SPACES IN NEW DEVELOPMENT

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(D) TREES AND DEVELOPMENT SITES

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13. Updates from Cabinet Members Appointed to Outside Bodies

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