South Cambridgeshire District Council

Appendix to the Minutes of a meeting of the Cabinet held on Tuesday, 22 March 2022 at 10.00 a.m.

5. Public Questions

a) From Mr. Daniel Fulton

Does the Leader of the Council support the political principle of the separation of powers, and if so, can the Leader please explain why there are no meetings of the Civic Affairs or Employment Committees scheduled before the Local Election?

Response from the Leader

Dear Mr. Fulton,

Thank you for your question.

South Cambridgeshire District Council operates under a leader and cabinet model which is by far the most common form of executive arrangement under the Local Government Act 2000 and has been adopted by most authorities. The executive arrangements adopted are based on a separation of the executive, regulatory, scrutiny and representative roles of councillors.

The last meeting of the Employment and Staffing Committee was in January this year and the Civic Affairs Committee meeting on the 2 March was cancelled as there was no substantive business to consider.

