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Shadow Cabinet Agenda

As you know, the Shadow Cabinet is due to discuss Norman Fowler's transport paper next Wednesday. In addition the proposed document on small businesses will have to be taken sometime.

You will recall that I suggested an extra Shadow Cabinet meeting on Monday in order to accommodate any policy discussion or forward discussion of the Party Conference. If you do want a Shadow Cabinet on Monday we could try to split transport and small businesses and put one on Monday and the other one on Wednesday.

You may also want to ask colleagues whether there are any particular subjects which they wish to have raised next week. Mrs. Oppenheim is keen for a discussion on prices and competition policy but you may feel that this could wait until the Autumn and should be discussed first by a smaller group.

Do you want to arrange a meeting of the Shadow Cabinet in September?



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