

## Policy & Resources Committee

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<b>Date:</b>	<b>9 April 2019</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Member / Officer Protocol</b>
<b>Contact Officer:</b>	<b>Graham Hunt – Town Clerk</b>

### Purpose of Report

1. To provide the background to a review of the Member / Officer Protocol.

### Background

2. The Member / Officer Protocol was introduced in 2013 and last reviewed in April 2015.
3. The purpose of the Protocol is to guide Members and Officers of the Council in their relations with one another in such a way as to ensure the smooth running of the Council. Mutual respect between Councillors and Employees is essential to good local government. The protocol sets a framework that assists the working relationships between both groups.
4. There are no current issues identified in how Members and Officers work together.
5. The Town Clerk has reviewed the Protocol and sees no need for any change.

**Legal Powers:** Local Government Act 1972 s 111

### Recommendation

***It is recommended that:***

- i) The unchanged Member / Officer Protocol be re-adopted.***