Decision Report		
Council		
15 November 2023	TOWER HAMLETS	
Report of: (Cover report of Matthew Mannion, Head of Democratic Services) Main Report of Janet Fasan, Director of Legal and Monitoring Officer	Classification: Unrestricted	
Updated Member / Officer Relations Protocol		

Wards affected	All Wards

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 Since agreeing a new Member Code of Conduct, the Standards Advisory Committee have been reviewing and updating the Member / Officer Relations Protocol.
- 1.2 At their meeting on 22 June 2023, the Committee agreed the new version and, subject to minor changes and then consultation with the political groups, agreed that the updated Protocol should be presented to Council for adoption.
- 1.3 The minor changes were made and the consultation with political groups has now taken place.
- 1.4 This report therefore asks Council to consider the Protocol for Adoption.
- 1.5 On agreement the Protocol will be added to the Council's Constitution.
- 1.6 The report to Standards Advisory Committee is appended to this Cover Report alongside the new Member / Officer Relations Protocol. (Note that the Protocol presented here has had minor updates, agreed with the Chair, since consideration at that meeting but before consultation with the groups.)

Recommendations:

The Council is recommended to:

- 1. Review and agree to adopt the revised Member / Officer Relations Protocol.
- 2. Agree that the updated Protocol be added to the Council's Constitution.