North Tyneside Council Report to Council Date: 26 January 2012

ITEM 10

Title: Update of Protocols

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PART 1

1.1 Purpose:

For several years the Council has included as part of the supporting documents within the Council's Constitution various protocols which provide guidance and advice to Members and Officers in different aspects of their work and responsibilities.

A Member/Officer working group has undertaken a review of the Protocols to ensure they reflect current legislation, statutory guidance as well as good and current practice.

Guidance Notes have also been produced to support the Protocols in relation to Press, Publicity and Publications and the Use of Council Resources and Support for Members.

The purpose of the main report will be to seek Council's approval of the updated Protocols and supporting Guidance Notes.