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**NORTHAMPTON**  
**BOROUGH COUNCIL**

# **COUNCIL**

## **13 July 2009**

**Agenda Status:** Public

**Directorate:** Chief Executive

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Shadow Cabinet Protocol</b>
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### **1. Summary**

The report sets out a Shadow Cabinet Protocol for inclusion in the Council's Constitution.

### **2. Recommendations**

That the Shadow Cabinet Protocol set out at Appendix A be approved and included in the Council's Constitution.

### **3. Report Background**

The Borough Solicitor in conjunction with the Leader of the Opposition and the Constitution Working Party has drafted a Shadow Cabinet Protocol (appended as Appendix A) that sets out its composition, role and the parameters of officer support to it. If agreed by Council this Protocol will be added to the Council's Constitution

### **4. Implications (including financial implications)**

#### **4.1 Resources and Risk**

None.

#### **4.2 Legal**

Changes to the Constitution will create an expectation on Officers that the Protocol will be complied with. Otherwise there are no specific legal implications.

#### **4.3 Other Implications**

None.

## **5. Background Papers**

Departmental File- various documents

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