REPORT TO: COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM: 9

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REPORT FROM: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OPEN

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SUBJECT: PROTOCOL FOR MARKING THE REF:

DEATH OF A SENIOR NATIONAL FIGURE OR LOCAL HOLDER OF

HIGH OFFICE

WARD(S) ALL TERMS OF

AFFECTED: REFERENCE: N/A

1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That Council approves the adoption of the Protocol for Marking the Death of a Senior National Figure or Local Holder of High Office, attached as **Appendix 1** to this report.

1.2 That Council approves to delegate authority to the Chief Executive to complete and update the Protocol with regard to the Officers responsible for implementation.

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 To provide Council with details of the guidance received from the National Association of Civic Officers on the protocol to be observed when marking the death of a senior national figure.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 The document at **Appendix 1** sets out the protocols to be observed upon the death of the Sovereign (which involves the greater number of protocols to consider), another member of the Royal Family, a Prime Minister or Former Prime Minister, the serving Member of Parliament, the Chairman, Leader of the Council or a serving Member of the Council.
- 3.2 The Protocol is in six parts as follows:
 - 1. Implementation of the Protocol: Formal Announcement and Period of Mourning
 - 2. Flag Flying
 - 3. Books of Condolence, Letters of Condolence & Local Announcement
 - 4. Reading of the Proclamation, observance of a two-minute silence, Publicity and Dress Code
 - 5. Official Civic events during the period of Mourning
 - 6. Organisation of local events during the period of mourning; the laying of flowers.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 None arising directly from this report.

5.0 Corporate Implications

5.1 All Council departments familiarise themselves with this Protocol and acknowledge its existence into the Corporate Plan.

6.0 Community Implications

6.1 Such events would provide recognition of the contributions made by individuals, communities, and organisations to the district of South Derbyshire.