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| Committee: Overview and Scrutiny Committee | Date: 3 December 2013 | Classification: Unrestricted | Report No: |
| Report of: Service Head, Democratic Services Originating officer(s) Matthew Mannion, Committee Services Manager | | Title: Reference from Council – Executive Mayor’s Car Wards Affected: All Wards | |

1. **SUMMARY**

- 1.1 At its meeting on 18 September 2013, Council considered a report on the business case and value for money discerned from the retention of the Mayor’s private car.
- 1.2 After a short debate, Council resolved that it would be appropriate to request that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee review the report and the issues involved. Any report back to Council would be considered on 27 November 2013.
- 1.3 The request was considered at the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 1 October and it was agreed. Members further requested that officers draw up a detailed report on the issues to be considered and that report, along with the report to Council is attached as an appendix to this reference report.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is recommended to:-

- 2.1 Review the attached reports on the issue and prepare a response for submission back to Council on 27 November 2013.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules as set out in Part 4 of the Constitution entitles the Committee to consider work requests submitted by Council. Should the Overview and Scrutiny Committee decide to accept the request then it can submit a report containing their recommendations back to Council for them to consider at their next meeting. The relevant paragraph of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules is set out below for information.

9.2 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall also respond, as soon as its work programme permits, to requests from the Council and if it considers it appropriate the Mayor or Executive to review particular areas of Council activity. Where they do so, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall report their findings and any recommendations back to the Mayor/Executive and/or Council. The Executive shall consider the matter at one of its next two meetings following receipt of the report. If the matter is relevant to the Council only then will they consider the report at their next meeting.

4. BODY OF REPORT

4.1 The report presented to Council is attached to this reference report as Appendix 1. A more detailed officer report is attached as Appendix 2.

4.2 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee are therefore requested to review the reports and to prepare a report back to Council containing their considered views and recommendations on the issues concerned.

5. COMMENTS OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

5.1 All relevant financial matters are set out in the attached appendix report.

6. LEGAL COMMENTS

6.1 All relevant legal matters are set out in the attached appendix report.

7. ONE TOWER HAMLETS CONSIDERATIONS

7.1 Any relevant matters are set out in the attached report.

8. SUSTAINABLE ACTION FOR A GREENER ENVIRONMENT

8.1 Any relevant matters are set out in the attached report.

9. RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

9.1 Any relevant matters are set out in the attached report.

10. CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION IMPLICATIONS

10.1 Any relevant matters are set out in the attached report.

11. EFFICIENCY STATEMENT

11.1 Any relevant matters are set out in the attached report.

**Local Government Act, 1972 Section 100D (As amended)
List of “Background Papers” used in the preparation of this report**

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| Brief description of “background papers” | Name and telephone number of holder and address where open to inspection. |
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