

Committee: Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Date: 20 January 2014	Classification: Unrestricted	Report No:
Report of: Service Head, Democratic Services Originating officer(s) Angus Taylor, Principal Committee Officer		Title: Reference from Council – Executive Mayor’s Car Wards Affected: All	

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 (OSC) 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 OSC meeting on 1 October and it was agreed that the matter be included in the OSC 2013/14 Work Programme and placed on the agenda for consideration at the OSC meeting on 5 November. Members further requested that officers draw up a detailed report on the issues to be considered. However subsequently due to the receipt of the a Call In requiring urgent consideration, and the full programme of other business, for the November OSC, the Chair had determined that the matter should be considered at the December OSC and a report back to Council be made in January 2014..
- 1.4 The OSC considered the Officer report on this matter at its meeting on 03 December (the report to Council was attached as an appendix to the Officer report0. The December OSC deferred further consideration to its January meeting pending the provision of additional information requested during its initial consideration of this matter.
- 1.5 The Officer report on this matter, considered at December OSC, is represented for OSC consideration and the additional information requested is attached as an appendix to this report.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is recommended to:-

- 2.1 Review the report on the issue and prepare a response for submission back to January Council.

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.
- 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 The comments of the Chief Financial Officer are incorporated in the attached 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.

12. APPENDICES

1. Policy for Driving at Work
2. Options paper for Transport Provision for the Mayor and the Chair of the Council

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

Brief description of “background papers”	Name and telephone number of holder and address where open to inspection.
None	Angus Taylor Ext 4333