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Dear Mr Mayor,

Budget and Performance Committee – 10 January 2017

I would like to thank you for attending the London Assembly's Budget and Performance Committee meeting yesterday to discuss the 2017-18 GLA Group Budget.

As you will recall, during the course of discussion you undertook to chase Mike Brown (TfL) for the information the Committee first asked for back in September last year, namely a table showing the changes made to TfL's capital investment plan. We note that in [your response](#) to our September 2016 report, TfL's Financial Challenge, you stated that you were "happy to make this information available to the Committee and has asked TfL to send [the Committee] a table showing this comparison as soon as possible".

The Committee also requested the following information:

- The number of staff posts to be deleted in order to achieve the reduction in funding shown against *Total pay and overtime* in the MOPAC budget
- With regards to TfL's 5 January 2017 [press release](#), confirmation of whether this deal is expected to realise any savings or efficiencies. If so, are they already factored into the savings figures that TfL and the Mayor have published (such as £2 billion from 'negotiating and bringing together the management of contracts') or will they will give rise to new/additional savings.
- Details of where negotiations with the FBU currently stand over training for MFTA.
- The number of Housing Viability posts budgeted for and the number in post.
- We heard that the 2016-17 Development, Enterprise and Environment revenue budget of £16.6 includes funding for programmes which will come to an end this year. You undertook to provide details of the programmes which are coming to an end and their budgets.
- Details of the work proposed to be undertaken on supporting children and early years learning and development and to address the quality, cost and availability of childcare provision in London.

Thank you for confirming that you will provide a response to this letter by 11 January 2017, in order to facilitate the scrutiny of your budget proposals for 2017-18.

Please ensure you copy your responses to the Scrutiny Manager, as per the details below.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gareth Bacon', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Cc David Bellamy; Martin Clarke, David Gallie