

Part I

APPENDIX A to Management Committee Fleet Report July 2026**LIGHT FLEET REPLACEMENT CAPITAL BUDGET SUMMARY PLAN JULY 2026****Introduction**

A1. Light fleet requirements are constantly shifting depending on accurately predicting operational needs and due to in-year unforeseen dilapidation because of wear and tear or damage. The light fleet management profile for the next 12 months calls for the replacement of up to seven vehicles; one Flexi Duty Officer (FDO) emergency response car, two light support vans, and four station-based Crew Vans.

A2. The current RBFRS fleet strategy recommends replacement of Service-owned cars when 6 years old and vans when 8 years old. However, in the interests of sustainability and best value for the Authority, and where vehicles are in good condition and their retention will not affect operational capability, a pragmatic approach will be taken in respect of replacement planning. FDO lease scheme vehicles are treated differently, as best value is currently achieved on 3-year deals with an option to extend by one year.

A3. To further add value to asset management, and due to the rate of change in the light vehicle market, only one year of replacements is being considered currently. Work will include continuing to look at further fleet rationalisation, operational requirements, and improvements around sustainability.

Light fleet replacement plan 2026

A4. The one-year light fleet plan as far as can be practicably forecast is laid out in **Table A1**. As indicated above, in all cases, sustainability is always a consideration with hybrid engines specified in the first instance. Electric vehicles (EV) will be considered in more volume once the RBFRS EV infrastructure project is rolled out in 2027 as part of the SAIF.

TYPE	VEHICLE*	COSTS	FIT OUT	TOTAL	BUDGET REQUEST	REMARKS
CAR	Car hybrid petrol	£38,000	£8,000	£46,000		FDO vehicle.
GPV	Light van hybrid	£34,000	£6,000	£40,000		Equipment Team
GPV	Med/light van hybrid	£34,000	£6,000	£40,000		Prevention Team
Station Vehicle	Peugeot Expert Crew Van	£38,000	Included	£38,000		P Car replacement Station 19
Station Vehicle	Peugeot Expert Crew Van	£38,000	Included	£38,000		P Car replacement Station 01
Station Vehicle	Peugeot Expert Crew Van	£38,000	Included	£38,000		P Car replacement Station 16
Station Vehicle	Peugeot Expert Crew Van	£38,000	Included	£38,000		P Car replacement Station 04
	Light fleet total	£258,000	£20,000	£278,000	£302,000	Incl. c8% contingency.

* Any vehicle manufacturer/model is stated as an example and other makes may be procured to ensure best value for money.

Table A1 – July 2026 RBFRS one-year light fleet replacement plan.