Response to follow up request for information from the 5 August 2020 meeting of the Housing Committee

Request for information:

During the course of the discussion Members, requested that the Deputy Mayor for Housing and Residential Development, provide the following information:

- The percentage of the 'paused' repossession claims in the system that relate to London tenants;
- The number of boroughs signed up to Capital Letters;
- An updated list of ballot exemptions in estate regenerations; and
- Confirmation on whether a list of applications for ballot exemptions could also be published regularly on the GLA website.

Response:

Please see the information requested below.

Private rented sector

I believe the question refers to the 'pause' on evictions that operated over the summer, which has now ended. For the Mayor's recent statement on the action he would like to see from Government to protect renters please see e.g. https://www.london.gov.uk/press-releases/mayoral/mayor-calls-for-two-year-rent-freeze.

Capital Letters

Capital Letters currently has 20 member boroughs.

Estate regeneration

The list of those regeneration projects which have been granted an exemption to the resident ballot requirement has now been updated and is available here:

https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/housing-and-land/increasing-housing-supply/estate-regeneration-data. Please note that this lists estate regeneration projects for which the GLA has granted an exemption pursuant to chapter 8.6 of the GLA's Affordable Housing Capital Funding Guide, but does not currently indicate cases where exemptions have been withdrawn. Our team are looking at how best to reflect these changes in future updates to this list.

Sent by email on 1 December 2020 by James Hall, Senior Adviser to the Deputy Mayor for Housing and Residential Development