

GREATER **LONDON** AUTHORITY

Our reference: MGLA290125-9110

25 February 2025

Dear

Thank you for your request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 28 January 2025. Your request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

You requested:

Please may I request between 1 January 2024 and to-date, information on all meetings, telephone calls and correspondence between Asif Aziz, of Criterion Capital (or his representatives) and the Mayor, his deputy Mayor Howard Dawber, for Business & Growth and his officers in the Good Growth senior team, specifically the Executive Director of Good Growth and the Assistance Director of Planning

Our response to your request is as follows:

Please find attached the information that the GLA holds within the scope of your request.

Please note that some names of members of staff are exempt from disclosure under s.40 (Personal information) of the Freedom of Information Act. This information could potentially identify specific employees and as such constitutes as personal data which is defined by Article 4(1) of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) to mean any information relating to an identified or identifiable living individual. It is considered that disclosure of this information would contravene the first data protection principle under Article 5(1) of GDPR which states that Personal data must be processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner in relation to the data subject.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA290125-9110.

Yours sincerely

Information Governance Officer

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If you are unhappy with the way the GLA has handled your request, you may complain using the GLA's FOI complaints and internal review procedure, available at:

<https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/governance-and-spending/sharing-our-information/freedom-information>

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Invitation: Criterion Connects Launch Reception – 26th September 2024
Date: 17 February 2025 12:19:26

From: Asif Aziz [REDACTED] >

Sent: Monday, August 5, 2024 2:05 PM

To: Howard Dawber [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Subject: Invitation: Criterion Connects Launch Reception – 26th September 2024

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Dear Howard,

We are delighted to invite you to the launch of our stakeholder engagement programme, '**Criterion Connects**'. This reception is set to be a night of inspiration and celebration in the heart of London, emphasising the strength and unity of our community:

Date: 26th September 2024

Timings: 6:00pm – 10:00pm

Location: LSQ Rooftop, 1 Leicester Square

This event offers a unique opportunity to meet the passionate Criterion and [Aziz Foundation](#) teams. Engage with local stakeholders, community leaders and members of London's vibrant community, and discover how our projects and programmes are making a tangible difference.

At Criterion Capital, our commitment to community is at the heart of everything we do. Our hospitality, residential and commercial property portfolio spans key London destinations, with plans to expand into other UK cities. Through '**Criterion Connects**', we aim to forge meaningful relationships and support community development, strengthened by our work with the Aziz Foundation and our charitable initiatives.

Please let me know if you are able to attend. We look forward to sharing our dedication to stewardship, local outreach and community engagement.

With best wishes,

Asif Aziz

16 Babmaes Street

London, SW1Y 6HD

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From: [Asif Aziz](#)
To: mayor@london.gov.uk
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Invitation: Criterion Connects Launch Reception – 26th September 2024
Date: 05 August 2024 14:04:05

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Dear Mayor Khan,

We are delighted to invite you to the launch of our stakeholder engagement programme, '**Criterion Connects**'. You have kindly supported our previous initiatives, such as the launch of Ramadan Lights, and this reception is set to be a night of inspiration and celebration in the heart of London, emphasising the strength and unity of our community:

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From: [Mayor's Inbox](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: MGLA050824-8720 Invitation: Criterion Connects Launch Reception - 26th September 2024
Date: 18 February 2025 15:42:46

Dear Aziz,

Thank you for your email and invitation for the Mayor to attend the launch of Criterion Connects taking place on the 26th September. I am replying to this invitation on behalf of the Mayor.

Congratulations on the launch of this stakeholder engagement programme. Unfortunately, due to the current pressures on his diary, I am sorry to inform you that the Mayor will not be able to join your event on this occasion.

Thank you once again for your invitation and wish you all the best with this launch.

Best Wishes,

[REDACTED]

Economic Development Unit