GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY



Our Ref: MGLA280420-0265

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Dear

Thank you for your request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 27 April 2020. Your request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested:

- How many individual coronavirus cash grants (£10,000 grants) were applied for by fashion retail businesses between 17 March and 27 April
- How many individual coronavirus cash grants (£25,000 grants) were applied for by fashion retail businesses between 17 March and 27 April
- How many individual coronavirus cash grants (£10,000 grants) have been declined to fashion retail businesses between 17 March and 27 April
- How many individual coronavirus cash grants (£25,000 grants) have been declined to fashion retail businesses between 17 March and 27 April
- How many individual coronavirus cash grants (£10,000 grants) have been sent out to fashion retail businesses between 17 March and 27 April
- How many individual coronavirus cash grants (£25,000 grants) have been sent out to fashion retail businesses between 17 March and 27 April
- What is the total sum of coronavirus cash grants (£10,000 grants) that have been sent out to fashion retail businesses as of 27 April
- What is the total sum of coronavirus cash grants (£25,000 grants) that have been sent out to fashion retail businesses as of 27 April
 - -For each of these we would also want to know the date applied for, date accepted, date sent but only if you have this on file already to be lifted
 - -Fashion retail businesses are classed as clothing, footwear and accessories businesses with a bricks-and-mortar and/or ecommerce presence
 - -To receive responses in excel spreadsheet format

Our response to your request:

Under the Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grant (RHLG) eligible businesses in England in receipt of the Expanded Retail Discount (which covers retail, hospitality and leisure) with a rateable value of less than £51,000 will be eligible for a cash grants of £10,000 or £25,000 per property.

The Government's <u>Grant Funding Schemes guidance for businesses</u> states that Central Government will provide funding to Local Authorities that are responsible for business rate billing. Those Local Authorities will contact eligible businesses to arrange payment of the grants.

The GLA is London's strategic government and does not operate in the same way as local councils. The GLA is not a billing authority and therefore does not hold the information you have requested. In London you would need to contact the Borough Councils, including the City of London and Westminster City Council: https://www.london.gov.uk/in-my-area.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA280420-0265.

Yours sincerely

Information Governance Officer

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