REQUEST

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RESPONSE

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The information as to how the Met is funded, and the role of MOPAC is set out in the Mayor's budget which can be accessed at https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/governance-and-spending/spending-money-wisely/mayors-budget

In addition, further detail on MOPAC's role and objectives can be found at the MOPAC website, in particular in the Police & Crime Plan at

https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/mayors-office-policing-and-crime-mopac

After taking account of specific Government grants the planned MOPAC spend in 2017/18 is £2,503.6 million. Of this the Mayor allocated £29.6m of retained business rates and the allocation of council tax in the sum of £592m, which for a Band D property in London is £206.13 p.a. Home Office general grant funding was £1,882.1m. The Mayor funds 24.8% of the net cost of the Met, with Home Office/Government funding 75.2%