# **GREATERLONDON** AUTHORITY

(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA100419-0146

22 May 2019

Dear

Thank you for your request for information which the GLA received on 10 April 2019. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested:

Please prove me with copies of all GLA correspondence relating to or mentioning the FOI request referenced: MGLA180319-8058

Please find attached the information we hold in scope of your request.

We are releasing this information to you in full, but we have made some minor redactions to remove third-party personal data in accordance with the provisions of section 40(2) of the Act. We have redacted the names of junior GLA staff as this information could potentially identify current and former member of staff and the disclosure of which would constitute unfair processing of their personal data.

I have redacted a forwarded email from earlier in the year and have marked that as out of scope (not related to FOI reference MGLA180319-8058).

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA100419-0146.

Yours sincerely

### Information Governance Officer

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:

From:
Sent: 18 March 2019 09:33
To: Ruth Phillips;

Subject: RE: FOI



I've taken a screenshot as there are quite a few and I've provided info in the subject line to differentiate.

#### Regards



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FOI				
From: Sent: 17 March 20	[ <u>mailto</u> : 019 19:54	gmail.com]		
To: Mayor < <u>mayo</u> Subject: FOI	r <u>@london.gov.uk</u> >			
Please provide me	with copies of any em	nails mentioning or relating	to the renaming of W	hite Hart Lane station.
	This message	has been scanned for viruses by the	Greater London Authority.	

Click  $\underline{\text{here}}$  to report this email as spam.

From: Sent:

18 March 2019 12:04

To:

Information Governance

Cc: Subject:

Tottenham Hotspur FOI cases x 8



We have 8 FOI cases from the same person (no organisation named, from a Gmail account). They were all received on the evening of Sunday 17 March & deadline for all will be 12 April.

Taking a step back it looks like one very broad request though one stands out. I think we need to aggregate in some way & ask them to focus in?

- A topic is specified but only in 1 of the 8 emails \*-8058
- A member of staff is specified but only in some of the emails.

We'd need to ask MO, MO correspondence, Leah (specified), Transport team (station), Regeneration & Planning potentially, Sports team potentially, Economic and Business policy potentially. Maybe others I have not thought of FYI in April 2018 we conducted searches of Mayoral correspondence only for another request for MGLA210318-7149

Ruth

#### White Hart Lane station name

\*8058 FOI Underground FOI - Please provide me with copies of any emails mentioning or relating to the renaming of White Hart Lane station

This request is specific re topic but does not give a date range or identify whether they are interested in specific organisations eg Tottenham Hotspur FC, Haringey, TfL... (etc)
As such, this would capture internal emails

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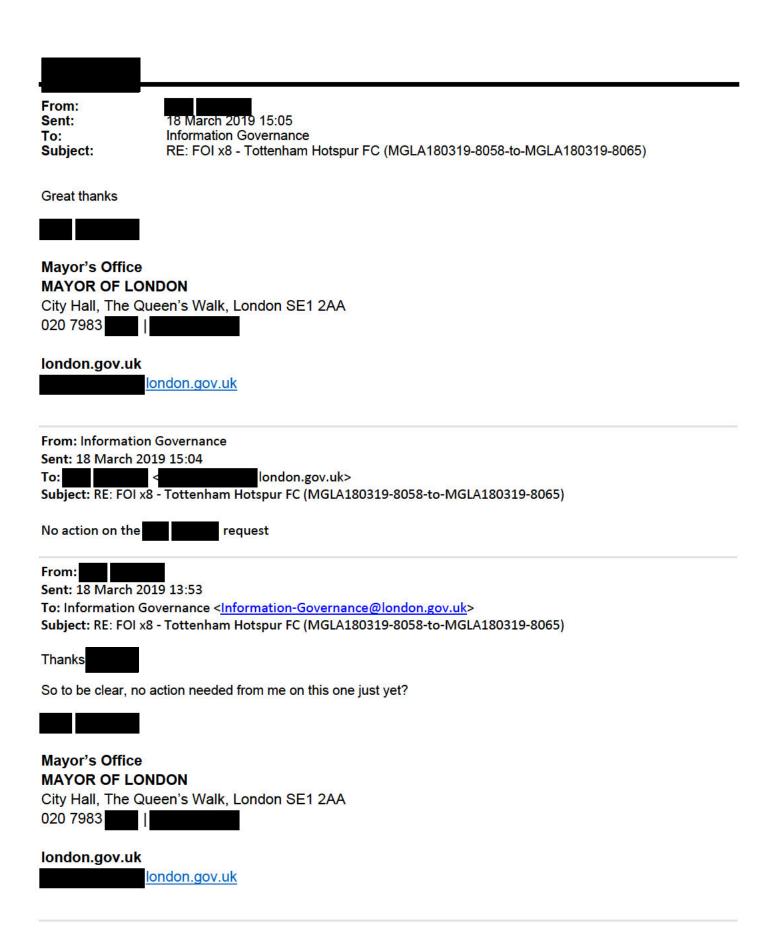
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Does not specify White Hart Lane station but would overlap with other questions

3 years of records total
This could capture emails from Boris Johnson's last 2 months as Mayor – unlikely to have anything though as it would have been the pre-election period
8065 captures 8063 & 8064



From: Information Governance Sent: 18 March 2019 13:52

To: | london.gov.uk>

Cc: Information Governance < Information-Governance@london.gov.uk >

Subject: FOI x8 - Tottenham Hotspur FC (MGLA180319-8058-to-MGLA180319-8065)

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Applicant: gmail.com

From:

19 March 2019 08:47 Sent:

To:

RE: FOI cases about re-naming White Hart Lane station - I have accepted these Subject:

Thanks



My initial thoughts about this was to perhaps check with Leah to see if she has had any comms and refuse the rest – fees / seek further context on what he wants because if he is asking for all comms with THFC (potentially very big) however if its just to do with renaming then it may be that we don't have very much (which he can confirm if tahts just what he is after after we do a fees refusal). From the news articles it looks like this is largely TfL led be able to let you know re the Leah comms

**Thanks** 



From:

Sent: 18 March 2019 14:49

@london.gov.uk>

Subject: FOI cases about re-naming White Hart Lane station - I have accepted these

just to keep you looped in about the requests for comms between GLA & Tottenham Hotspur FC (one from & one from the person that sent 8 emails to be aggregated)

I spoke to and she said her team hasn't had direct comms with THFC so that these will be mainly Leah but possibly external relations too. I have flagged with to begin with

so please ignore for now.

From: 29 March 2019 08:30 Sent: To: RE: Draft costs refusal / aggregate for 8 requests under \*-8058 (Tottenham) Subject: I thought it was relevant to both FOI & GDPR so thanks for spotting that!! I will check. But we can do without that paragraph anyway. The essentials are covered in the next lines thanks for checking it over Sent: 29 March 2019 08:26 @london.gov.uk>; @london.gov.uk> Subject: RE: Draft costs refusal / aggregate for 8 requests under \*-8058 (Tottenham) seems fine to me Ive just taken one paragraph out though as it refers to GDPR regs and not sure its relevant in the context of FOI aggregation. From: Sent: 29 March 2019 08:21 @london.gov.uk>; @london.gov.uk> Subject: Draft costs refusal / aggregate for 8 requests under \*-8058 (Tottenham) hi does either of you have any comments before I pass to I need her to check the last para then it needs to go in folder (this week ideally From: Information Governance Sent: 28 March 2019 17:47

Main Org Chart still not published so guessing work on it is not complete. Meantime is there any choice other than to use this senior team chart from the same page which names senior staff? I can't think of any

@london.gov.uk>

The organisational chart below reflects the structure of our directorates

@london.gov.uk>;

Senior Management Team (PDF) - includes post holder names

Not in scope

Subject: FW: Org structure

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## Refusal - costs

Unfortunately, to provide the information you have requested would exceed the 'appropriate limit' of £450 set by the Freedom of Information (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

Under section 12 of the FOI Act, we are not obliged to comply with a request if the cost of determining whether we hold the information, locating and retrieving it and extracting it from other information would exceed the appropriate limit. This is calculated at £25 per hour for every hour spent on the activities described and equates to 18 hours of work.

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We have therefore refused this request under the cost limit provisions of section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act and this letter therefore constitutes a refusal notice under section 17(1) of the Act.

### Aggregating requests

Regulation 5(2) of the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 20043 requires that the aggregated requests must relate "to any extent" to the same or similar information. The ICO approach requires such aggregation to be assessed on a case-by-case basis. The same guidance explains that requests are more likely to relate to the same or similar information where a requestor links the requests, or where there is an overarching theme or common thread running between the requests and the nature of the information that has been requested. Your 8 requests are all related to Tottenham Hotspur FC in some way and were received within a 10-minute period.

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Sent: 29 March 2019 09:24

To:

Subject: FOI x8 - Tottenham Hotspur FC (MGLA180319-8058-to-MGLA180319-8065)

Attachments: MGLA180319-8058.docx

Hi

I've drafted the attached refusal based on aggregating the requests & a refusal on costs grounds. We are obliged to offer advice and assistance which is mostly quite generic but I've highlighted a line for checking

Please let me have any comments and if you are happy with it I will add to the folder either today or next Friday

#### thanks



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From: @tfl.gov.uk>

Sent: 09 April 2019 09:30
To: Information Governance

Subject: RE: Tottenham Hotspur FC/White Hart Lane - costs refusal

Thank:

From: Information Governance [mailto:Information-Governance@london.gov.uk]

Sent: 08 April 2019 20:31

To:

Subject: RE: Tottenham Hotspur FC/White Hart Lane - costs refusal

FYI - I redrafted slightly - copy FYI

From: @tfl.gov.uk>

Sent: 03 April 2019 15:36

To: Information Governance <Information-Governance@london.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Tottenham Hotspur FC/White Hart Lane - costs refusal

Hi

No comments from TfL on this one.

**Thanks** 

From: Information Governance [mailto:Information-Governance@london.gov.uk]

Sent: 03 April 2019 15:15

To:

Subject: Tottenham Hotspur FC/White Hart Lane - costs refusal

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I just thought I'd share this for info. Presume no comments on a costs refusal but let me know if you need some time to consider this one too. Hoping to reply to both next Mon if no issues

WFH today but you can reach me tomorrow from 10am on 020 7983

#LondonIsOpen

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aforementioned Fees Regulations stipulate that this limit is £450; calculated at £25 per hour for every hour spent on the activities described and equates to 18 hours of work.

The scope of your request in its current form would be likely to involve many employees across several teams across the GLA (For example, Mayor's Office, Assembly and Secretariat, Transport, Planning, Regeneration, Sports, Business engagement and potentially other teams) conducting searches and reviewing the results to ensure the information they hold is in scope of your request. This would exceed the 'appropriate limit' as per section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

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From: Mayor of London <mayor@london.gov.uk>

Sent: 09 April 2019 13:57

To: gmail.com
Subject: RE: MGLA180319-8058 FOI
Attachments: MGLA180319-8058.pdf

Dear

Please find attached our response to your requests for information received Monday 18 March 2019.

Yours sincerely

Information Governance Officer

Please provide me with copies of any emails mentioning or relating to the renaming of White Hart Lane station.

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# GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA180319-8058

9 April 2019

Dear

Thank you for your requests for information which the GLA received on 18 March 2019. Your requests have been aggregated and been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

#### You requested:

Please provide me with copies of any emails mentioning or relating to the renaming of White Hart Lane station

Please provide me with all correspondence between Leah Kreitzman and Tottenham Hotspur FC, from May 2016 to December 2016 Please provide me with all correspondence between Leah Kreitzman and Tottenham

Hotspur FC, from the previous 1 year since you received this email Please provide me with all correspondence between Leah Kreitzman and Tottenham

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Please provide me with all correspondence between Leah Kreitzman and Tottenham Hotspur FC, from the previous 3 years since you received this email

Please provide me with all correspondence between any employee of the GLA and Tottenham Hotspur FC, from the last 1 year since you received this email Please provide me with all correspondence between any employee of the GLA and Tottenham Hotspur FC, from the last 2 years since you received this email Please provide me with all correspondence between any employee of the GLA and Tottenham Hotspur FC, from the last 3 years since you received this email

## Refusal - costs

Unfortunately, your request is too broad for us to be reasonably able to comply with and we have estimated that the cost of compliance would exceed the "appropriate limit" specified in the Freedom of Information Act. Section 12 of the Act provides that a public is not obliged to comply with a request if the cost of determining whether we hold the information, locating and retrieving it and extracting it from other information would exceed the appropriate limit. The

aforementioned Fees Regulations stipulate that this limit is £450; calculated at £25 per hour for every hour spent on the activities described and equates to 18 hours of work.

The scope of your request in its current form would be likely to involve many employees across several teams across the GLA (For example, Mayor's Office, Assembly and Secretariat, Transport, Planning, Regeneration, Sports, Business engagement and potentially other teams) conducting searches and reviewing the results to ensure the information they hold is in scope of your request. This would exceed the 'appropriate limit' as per section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

At present, you have made one request with a fairly specific subject matter but you do not tell us which person/team at the GLA you are interested in, or a date range, and more significantly, you do not define the organisation that you are interested in e.g. TfL or Tottenham Hotspur or whether you are interested in internal emails between GLA staff instead/as well.

In your other requests you specify the organisation (Tottenham Hotspur FC) but you did not specify the topic of the request.

We have therefore refused this request under the cost limit provisions of section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act and this letter therefore constitutes a refusal notice under section 17(1) of the Act.

# Aggregating requests

The FolA Fees regulations provide that we can aggregate the cost of compliance (under section 12) where for the following conditions of the regulations are met:

- 1) In circumstances in which this regulation applies, where two or more requests for information to which section 1(1) of the 2000 Act would, apart from the appropriate limit, to any extent apply, are made to a public authority-
- a) by one person, or
- b) by different persons who appear to the public authority to be acting in concert or in pursuance of a campaign
- 2) This regulation applies in circumstances in which-
- a) the two or more requests relate, to any extent, to the same or similar information

There is a common thread in your 8 requests which are all related to Tottenham Hotspur FC in some way and were received within a 10-minute period.

For this reason, we have decided that your 8 requests engage the above criteria in the Fees Regulations, and that is appropriate to aggregate the cost of compliance.

#### Advice and assistance

However, we would consider responding to more specific requests which would help the GLA to respond within the appropriate time limit. The Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) guidance for applicants includes advice to be as specific as possible about the information you want and avoid making very broad or 'catch-all' requests for information <a href="https://ico.org.uk/your-data-matters/official-information/">https://ico.org.uk/your-data-matters/official-information/</a>

To bring the cost of responding to your request to within the £450 limit, you may wish to consider narrowing the scope of your request so that we can more easily provide the information you are seeking. For example, by specifying a more limited range of dates you want information for; providing a more defined subject matter; specifying individuals you want

information from. You can see the main teams within the GLA and the broad structure at <a href="https://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/senior-management-team-21-01-19-final.pdf">https://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/senior-management-team-21-01-19-final.pdf</a>

In this case, if you wish to resubmit a request along these lines, please consider specifying particular individuals or departments within the GLA, naming the other organisation/s and specifying the topic that you wish us to search for.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA180319-8058.

Yours sincerely

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From: Information Governance
Sent: 10 April 2019 09:55

To:

Subject: Two new FOI requests MGLA090419-0050 & MGLA090419-0051



We sent out our aggregated costs refusal to for those 8 cases related to GLA & Tottenham Hotspur FC (each with a slightly different date range or focus, some mentioned Leah, one specified naming White Hart Lane station)

We received these two requests back:

### MGLA090419-0050 received 14.47 9 April 2019

Please provide me with all correspondence between Leah Kreitzman and Tottenham Hotspur FC, from the previous 1 year since you received this email.

### MGLA090419-0051 received 15.34 9 April 2019

Please provide me with all correspondence between Leah Kreitzman and Tottenham Hotspur FC, from May 2016 to December 2016

The statutory deadline for both is 10 May 2019.

Please could you ask Leah's staff to check?

Are there other GLA staff I should check with who may have been CCd into any such emails and hold copies?

Thanks

Ruth

Ext