

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

By email

Our Ref: **MGLA240417-9961**

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 22 April 2017. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

We have focussed our searches on the limited public space that we directly manage. The Greater London Authority (GLA) is London's strategic government and does not operate in the same way as local authorities. We do not manage the municipal parks in London, which are the responsibility of the individual local Borough Councils (you can find their details at <https://www.london.gov.uk/in-my-area>). However the GLA is responsible for Trafalgar Square and Parliament Square.

Our response to your request is as follows:

How much money does Greater London Authority spend on public grass maintenance each year?

The GLA spends approximately £26,000 per annum on horticultural and arboricultural maintenance of Parliament Square Gardens. As this is part of a bigger contract we are unable to separate the spend to give you the costs for grass or lawn maintenance alone.

Who is responsible for this spend? Please include their name, email address and telephone number

The Amenities Manager in the GLA's Facilities Management Team is responsible for the horticulture in Parliament Square. The current holder of this post is leaving the Authority this month. Until their placement is appointment, you can address any enquiries to the Facilities Management team via mayor@london.gov.uk and the switchboard 020 7983 4000.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference at the top of this email.

Yours sincerely

Ruth Phillips
Information Governance Officer

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