## GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA151119-7096

29 November 2019

Dear

Thank you for your request for information about clothing allowances, which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 14 November 2019. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

## You requested:

- 1) Can you please tell me if any of your councillors or Lord Mayor are eligible to claim money back for items of clothing?
- 2) If yes, could you please tell me which ones and how much they are eligible for?
- 3) Could you tell me how much was claimed by them for clothing allowance for 2017/18 and 2018/19?
- 4) Finally could you give me a list of items purchased with the clothing allowance budget? In each case, please list the claims and the name of the councillor claiming it.

Our response to your request is as follows:

The GLA is London's strategic government and does not operate in the same way as local councils. The GLA does not have Councillors or a Lord Mayor, but we have taken your request to be about the <u>Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan</u> and the <u>London Assembly Members</u>.

The Mayor does not have a clothing allowance as confirmed in our response to a previous request <a href="https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/governance-and-spending/sharing-our-information/freedom-information/foi-disclosure-log/foi-styling-and-grooming-costs-0">https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/governance-and-spending/sharing-our-information/foi-disclosure-log/foi-styling-and-grooming-costs-0</a>

Further to this I can confirm that the London Assembly Members do not receive a clothing allowance either.

Expense claims for the Mayor of London and London Assembly Members are published at <a href="https://www.london.gov.uk/people/mayoral/sadiq-khan/expenses">https://www.london.gov.uk/people/mayoral/sadiq-khan/expenses</a> and at <a href="https://www.london.gov.uk/people/assembly">https://www.london.gov.uk/people/assembly</a>.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA151119-7096

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:

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