

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

By email

Our Ref: MGLA100817-3862

5 September 2017

Dear

Thank you for your request for information about staff suspensions which the GLA received on 9 August 2017. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested:

For the years 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17, please provide:

1. *The number of staff employed by the council to have been suspended, providing the date that each was suspended*
 - a. *Please provide the reason for the suspension*
 - b. *Please provide outcome of each suspension e.g. returned to work, dismissed or resigned*
 - c. *Please provide the*
 - d. *Please note whether the staff continued to receive pay and if so provide the pay bracket of their salary to the nearest £5000*

If the decision is made to withhold some of this data using exemptions in the Data Protection Act 1998, please inform me of that fact and cite the exemptions used.

Our response to your request is as follows:

The number of staff employed by the council to have been suspended, providing the date that each was suspended

One member of staff employed by the Greater London Authority was suspended during the five year period.

Because there has only been one suspension releasing the date of the suspension could allow members of staff or others to work out the identity of the individual concerned. This information would therefore constitute personal data and would be exempt under the provision of section 40(2) of the FoI Act. This provides that personal data (as defined under the Data Protection Act 1998) can be withheld from disclosure in to the public domain where that disclosure would constitute unfair processing of that personal data.

Please provide the reason for the suspension

Pending investigation into alleged breaches of the GLA's Code of Ethics & Standards for Staff

Please provide outcome of each suspension e.g. returned to work, dismissed or resigned

Resignation

Please provide the

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Please note whether the staff continued to receive pay and if so provide the pay bracket of their salary to the nearest £5000

Suspended on full pay. Salary to the nearest £5000 is £50,000

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA100817-3862.

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>