GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA270619-6048

23 July 2019

Dear

Thank you for your request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 25 Jun 2019. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested:

One: who are the members of the Mayor's Brexit Advisory Panel?

Two: what positions have they held since serving on the Panel and have they made a declaration of their financial interests?

Three: has each member advised any other individual or organization on Brexit issues, either as an individual or in the member's capacity as a director, partner or employee in any organization? Was this information known to the Mayor when the members of the Advisory Panel were appointed?

Four: has the Panel formally met, and if so, when and where? Who were the attendees? Was any record kept of its proceedings, and if so by whom?

Five: on which specific topics has the Mayor received advice from the Panel?

Please find below the information we hold within the scope of your request:

One: who are the members of the Mayor's Brexit Advisory Panel?

- Sir George Iacobescu, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, the Canary Wharf Group
- Julia Onslow-Cole, Partner Global Government Strategies and Compliance, Fragomen
- Professor Alice Gast, President, Imperial College London
- Baroness Shriti Vadera, Chair, Santander UK
- Robert Bourns, President, the Law Society

- Catherine McGuinness, Chair, the City of London Corporation's Policy and Resources Committee
- Vanessa Kingori, Publishing Director, British Voque
- Victoria Quinlan, Managing Director, Investment Management (Europe), Lendlease
- Geoffrey Spence, former Head of Global Infrastructure, Lloyds Bank and Chief Executive of Infrastructure UK
- Sherry Coutu, Executive Chair, Scaleup Institute
- Sir John Sorrell
- Prof. Alan L Winters, UK Trade Policy Observatory
- Frances O'Grady, General Secretary, TUC
- Alan Morrison, Vice President, Merck Sharp & Dohme.

Two: what positions have they held since serving on the Panel and have they made a declaration of their financial interests?

The GLA does not hold this information.

Three: has each member advised any other individual or organization on Brexit issues, either as an individual or in the member's capacity as a director, partner or employee in any organization? Was this information known to the Mayor when the members of the Advisory Panel were appointed?

The GLA does not hold this information

Four: has the Panel formally met, and if so, when and where? Who were the attendees? Was any record kept of its proceedings, and if so by whom?

The panel has come together twice as a group but on both occasions the meetings were informal. The Panel was convened by the Mayor to act as an on-call resource to provide insight into the economic sectors and areas of policy for which they are well positioned to give advice. Some members were also invited to join the Mayor for relevant meetings with the former Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union, for focused discussions on their sectoral needs. The Panel's private counsel is treated the same as the representations the Mayor has received from businesses leaders since his election and is not formally recorded.

Five: on which specific topics has the Mayor received advice from the Panel

The Panel acts as an on call resource and offers insight into Brexit-related issues as they arise. This has included:

- Advising the Mayor on the risks, challenges and opportunities for London following the vote to leave the European Union.
- Providing input into the Mayor's response to the Government White Paper 'The United Kingdom's exit from and new partnership with the European Union' published here in March 2017.
- Advising on sector specific challenges and participating in the Mayor's meetings with the Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union.

• Giving feedback on the Mayor's engagement with Government and other activities related to Brexit, immigration and international promotion.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA270619-6048.

Yours sincerely

Principal Policy Officer

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