

# GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

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(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA130121-3851

5 February 2021

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 8 January 2021. Your request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested:

*Please tell me the total cost of the light show and fireworks for the last 5 years including the recent 2020/21 display*

Our response to your request is as follows:

Year	Net cost of event
2016	£2,115,224
2017	£2,215,414
2018	£2,478,885
2019	£2,708,312
2020	Budget £1,500,000

The budget of the 2020 event was £1.5 million. The final costs are not yet held – they are still being calculated but will be within the allocated budget.

The increase in the cost of the event in 2018 and 2019 was as a result of heightened and more complex security arrangements associated with the event. This required additional security measures including bag searches and extra stewarding.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA130121-3851.

Yours sincerely

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**Information Governance Officer**

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