

GREATER **LONDON** AUTHORITY

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(By email)

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your further correspondence which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 17 February 2021.

The introduction of additional restrictions in London and the South East on 19 December was a decision taken by Government, following discussion with the Mayor and other political leaders. The Mayor regularly receives advice from his Statutory Health Advisor and the leadership of NHS London to understand the situation with the pandemic in London. He is provided with updates a range of key indicators, including the number of cases of Covid-19 reported in London, the weekly 7-day case rate by borough and age group, positivity rates and testing rates, along with data on hospital admissions and relevant information on NHS demand and capacity.

London's Strategic Coordination Group has been at the heart of London's response. For example, when the Mayor called a major incident in London in December, this decision was taken following discussions with its members. He also continues to meet regularly with the Leaders of the London boroughs to agree joint position on the challenges facing our city.

Taken together, this enables the Mayor to offer an informed position on the right course of action for London in tackling the pandemic.

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

Yours sincerely

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Information Governance Officer

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