

# GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

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(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA231017-1613

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 23 October 2017. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested:

*1) The budget for your council's press office/media department in 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14, 2015/16 and 2016/17*

*2) The headcount of staff employed in your council's press office/media department in 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14, 2015/16 and 2016/17*

*3) A structure chart and job descriptions and salary bands for the media relations/press office team currently employed by your council.*

Because your request refers to councils, I should make it clear that the GLA is London's strategic government and does not operate in the same way as local authorities. For information about London's local authorities you would need to contact the individual local Borough Councils: <https://www.london.gov.uk/in-my-area>.

Please find attached the information we hold within the scope of your request. Our responses to your requests are as follows:

*1) The budget for your council's press office/media department in 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14, 2015/16 and 2016/17*

		2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Directorate	Unit	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
External Affairs	Press Office (Mayor's Media Relations & Monitoring)	838	838	833	741	719	733
Assembly & Secretariat	Assembly's Press Office	611	531	572	487	487	493
Total		1,449	1,369	1,405	1,228	1,206	1,226

2) The headcount of staff employed in your council's press office/media department in 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14, 2015/16 and 2016/17

Year	Headcount
2011/12	22
2012/13	20
2013/14	20
2014/15	22
2015/16	20
2016/17	23

3) A structure chart and job descriptions and salary bands for the media relations/press office team currently employed by your council.

Our structure charts are published [here](#). Please see attached job descriptions and our salary bands are published [here](#).

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA231017-1613.

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>