GREATERLONDON AUTHORITY

(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA021121-6802

26 November 2021

Dear

Thank you for your request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 1 November 2021. Your request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested:

I am writing to request a breakdown of the number of air miles the mayor has travelled over the past five years (e.g. since the start of his 2016 term), by year.

If air miles is too onerous under the Fol act, please simply provide the number of flights he has taken, per year (including, where possible, location and destination, or flight number).

Please provide this from whichever information you have available and within the terms of the Act, which could include the mayor's calendar.

I am requesting this data in Excel format.

Our response is as follows:

Please find below the information that we hold in scope of your request -

Air Miles in Km	
2021/22 (to	
31/10/2021)	0
2020/21	0
2019/20	6,109
2018/19	2,716
2017/18	32,388
2016/17	18,936

Information about flights taken by the Mayor of London since May 2016 is available in a

previous FOI response, which you can find on the GLA's disclosure log under reference MGLA260220-3754. We have not located records of any flights taken since that time.

We released air miles (KM) information for a number of these flights in an earlier response, MGLA161017-0705. For the remainder, figures can be generated by adding specific airports of departure/arrival on a website such as https://www.airmilescalculator.com/.

The Mayor is committed to take actions to reduce the impacts of climate change. The impacts of international travel options are carefully considered to ensure the Mayor travels sustainably and cost effectively. Rail options are prioritised where rail options exist and compatible with time of travel. For example, in response <u>MGLA260220-3754</u> it is clear the Mayor has opted to travel to Paris four times by Eurostar, rather than flying.

Where flying is unavoidable, flights from City Hall are offset using Gold Standard Certified Emission Reductions (CERs) bought from Carbon Footprint Ltd.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA021121-6802.

Yours sincerely

Information Governance Officer

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https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/governance-and-spending/sharing-our-information/freedom-information