

Paul Robinson

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 July 2017 16:04
To: Alison Bell
Cc: Chris Hewett; Gareth Bacon
Subject: 4.30pm outside City Hall fine for Gareth: Assembly invokes rarely used summons powers for Garden Bridge Review files

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That's fine, Alison.

Many thanks - [REDACTED]

From: Alison Bell
Sent: 19 July 2017 15:51
To: Gareth Bacon
Cc: Chris Hewett
Subject: Re: Assembly invokes rarely used summons powers for Garden Bridge Review files

Hi Gareth.

[REDACTED] is the reporter.

She says: we should be there and set up by [4.30pm](#). We could do it by the wall, looking towards the bridge.

That's on the right - as you leave City Hall.

Is that ok Gareth?

Alison Bell
External Relations Manager
London Assembly
[REDACTED]

Your message is important & deserves a quick response. However, I am on the move & not at my desk. Please forgive any brief, blunt & grammatically imperfect replies.

On 19 Jul 2017, at 15:21, Gareth Bacon <Gareth.Bacon@london.gov.uk> wrote:

No, I'm still downstairs – been tied up with something, so may not make it up.

Gareth Bacon AM
Leader, GLA Conservative Group
London Assembly Member for Bexley & Bromley

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From: Alison Bell <Alison.Bell@london.gov.uk>

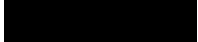
Date: Wednesday, 19 July 2017 at 15:18

To: Gareth Bacon <Gareth.Bacon@london.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: Assembly invokes rarely used summons powers for Garden Bridge Review files

They're going to email me when they're here & set up.

Shall I give you a nod during the meeting?

Alison Bell
External Relations Manager
London Assembly


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On 19 Jul 2017, at 15:17, Gareth Bacon <Gareth.Bacon@london.gov.uk> wrote:

Yes, that will be fine. If they can give you a definite time that would be helpful.

Best regards,
Gareth

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From: Alison Bell <Alison.Bell@london.gov.uk>


Date: Wednesday, 19 July 2017 at 15:13

To: Gareth Bacon <Gareth.Bacon@london.gov.uk>

Subject: Fwd: Assembly invokes rarely used summons powers for Garden Bridge Review files

Hi Gareth,

Are you ok to pop out for London Live, as requested below please?

Alison Bell
External Relations Manager
London Assembly


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Begin forwarded message:

From: [REDACTED]@londonlive.co.uk>
Date: 19 July 2017 at 15:05:48 BST
To: Alison Bell <alison.bell@london.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Assembly invokes rarely used summons powers for Garden Bridge Review files

Hi Alison,

we'd love to get a quick word with Gareth Bacon if that's still ok.

We'll be heading to City Hall now and can pre-record a short interview at any time between 3.50pm and 4.30pm(ish)

Best,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 July 2017 14:38
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Assembly invokes rarely used summons powers for Garden Bridge Review files

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 July 2017 2:36 PM
To: [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@londonlive.co.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@londonlive.co.uk)>;
[REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@londonlive.co.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@londonlive.co.uk)>
Subject: FW: Assembly invokes rarely used summons powers for Garden Bridge Review files

From: Alison Bell [<mailto:Alison.Bell@london.gov.uk>]
Sent: 19 July 2017 1:53 PM
Subject: Assembly invokes rarely used summons powers for Garden Bridge Review files



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Assembly invokes rarely used summons powers for Garden Bridge Review files

The London Assembly **Budget and Performance Committee today** took the rare^[1] decision to issue a summons notice to the Mayor of London's Chief of Staff, David Bellamy, requesting documents regarding the Mayor's correspondence concerning the Review into the Garden Bridge Project undertaken by **Dame Margaret Hodge MP**.

The Committee wants all those documents in the possession of or under the control of the Chief of Staff relating to all transcripts and audio files written or recorded during the review conducted by the Rt Hon Dame Margaret Hodge MP, into the Garden Bridge project from interviews and/or discussions with people including:

- Alex Williams, Acting Managing Director Planning, Transport for London;
- Isabel Dedring, Ex-Deputy Mayor for Transport, Greater London Authority;
- Joanna Lumley OBE, Board Member, Garden Bridge Trust;
- Michèle Dix CBE, Ex-Managing Director Planning, Transport for London;
- Mike Brown MVO, Commissioner, Transport for London;
- Richard DeCani, Ex-Managing Director Planning, Transport for London;
- Sarah Sands, Editor, Evening Standard;
- Sir Edward Lister, Ex-Deputy Mayor for Planning and Chief of Staff, Greater London Authority;
- Sir Peter Hendy CBE, Ex-Commissioner, Transport for London;
- Thomas Heatherwick, Founder, Heatherwick Studios;

- Will Hurst, Managing Editor, Architects' Journal.

Gareth Bacon AM, Chairman of the **Budget and Performance Committee** said:

"Freedom of Information requests and questions to the Mayor at Mayor's Question Time have been dodged and, frankly, we're tired of the obstruction.

The Chief of Staff needs to supply this information immediately, so we can assess it and decide how relevant it is to our scrutiny of the Margaret Hodge Garden Bridge Review.

If the Mayor really is as committed to transparency, as he continually says, he will ensure that he and the staff working for him do not seek to stand in the way of the Assembly's legitimate requests for important information.

The Assembly needs to do its job of scrutinising the issues that matter to London, unhindered."

Notes for Editors:

1. This is the first summons of its kind under this Mayoralty.
2. A copy of the summons document is attached
3. **Gareth Bacon AM**, Chairman of the **Budget and Performance Committee**, is available for interview – see contact details below.
4. The [Budget and Performance Committee](#).
5. As well as investigating issues that matter to Londoners, the London Assembly acts as a check and a balance on the Mayor.

For media enquiries, please contact Alison Bell on 020 7983 4228. For out of hours media enquiries, call 020 7983 4000 and ask for the London Assembly duty press officer. Non-media enquiries should be directed to the Public Liaison Unit on 020 7983 4100.

Paul Robinson

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 20 April 2017 14:33
To: Andrew Boff; 'Andrew Boff'
Cc: Gareth Bacon
Subject: Andrew: in your GLA diary now: CONFIRMED: Tues 25 April, 4.30pm: Leader of GLA Conservatives meeting Lord Davies re Garden Bridge procurement report

Hi Andrew

As per your conversation with Gareth, I confirm that the meeting next Tuesday at 4.30pm is now in your diary. Grateful if you could accept it.

Best- [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 April 2017 15:55
To: [REDACTED]@gardenbridge.london'
Cc: [REDACTED]; Gareth Bacon
Subject: CONFIRMED: Tues 25 April, 4.30pm: Leader of GLA Conservatives meeting Lord Davies re Garden Bridge procurement report

Hi [REDACTED]

Thank you so much for your email, and please thank Lord Davies' EA for her invaluable assistance. Gareth, and our Deputy Head of Office, [REDACTED], would be delighted to welcome Lord Davies to City Hall next Tuesday 25 April at 4.30pm – and I can at the very least offer him some reasonable, freshly-brewed coffee !

I look forward to your confirmation on this date. And whilst writing, it would be very helpful to have a mobile number for Lord Davies in case of any last minute hiccups with his flight arrangements. Alternatively, a mobile number for his EA would be extremely useful.

If the date is finally confirmed, Lord Davies should come to City Hall and clear our security (similar to that of Portcullis House). Thereafter, please could he report to our Reception and ask them to call me on Ext [REDACTED] in order for me to come down to collect him.

I look forward to hearing from you.

With kindest regards - [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]@gardenbridge.london]
Sent: 18 April 2017 15:35
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Request from Leader of GLA Conservatives to meet Lord Davies before 18 May re report on Garden Bridge procurement

Afternoon [REDACTED],

I hope you had a lovely Easter weekend.

Lord Davies is travelling on all dates listed. However, his EA has suggested changing his flight on Tuesday 25th April so that he can make a meeting at 1630 at City Hall. Might this work?

Best wishes

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]@london.gov.uk]

Sent: 13 April 2017 15:10

To: [REDACTED]@gardenbridge.london>

Subject: Request from Leader of GLA Conservatives to meet Lord Davies before 18 May re report on Garden Bridge procurement

Dear [REDACTED]

Further to your brief conversation at lunchtime today with our Head of Office, Robert Rams, I'm writing to ask if we could arrange a short meeting between Gareth Bacon, Leader of the GLA Conservatives, and Lord Davies in his capacity as Chair of the Garden Bridge Trust, to discuss the report published by Dame Margaret Hodge on 7 April. Gareth has been a long-time supporter of the Garden Bridge and is very keen to hear Lord Davies' views on this report.

Gareth would be most grateful if it would be possible for him to meet Lord Davies before Thursday 18 May when we have the first Mayor's Question Time of the new 2017/18 Assembly year, at which the subject of the Garden Bridge will be raised.

You have kindly said you'll speak to Lord Davies' Executive Assistant at the House of Lords next week to look at possible diary slots for Gareth to meet Lord Davies at Westminster (although Lord Davies would also be most welcome to come to City Hall if he would prefer), and that you will then get back to me.

May I start the ball rolling by offering the following possible slots when I know Gareth could definitely make himself available:

Tues 25 April: 4pm onwards

Wed 26 April: 9am – 11.30am

Wed 10 May: 3.45/4pm onwards

That said, if none of the above dates are convenient for Lord Davies, do please let me have some alternatives and I will juggle the diary accordingly.

I look forward to hearing from you next week.

With kind regards – [REDACTED]

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Subject: London Live interview on Garden Bridge issue

Start: Wed 19/07/2017 16:30

End: Wed 19/07/2017 17:00

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: Gareth Bacon

Required Attendees: gareth.bacon@bexley.gov.uk

Subject: Gareth Bacon meeting Lord (Evan Mervyn) Davies, The Lord Davies of Abersoch CBE, Chair of The Garden Bridge Trust, & Bee Emmott, Executive Director, to discuss the Margaret Hodge report published on 7 April + Adam & Andrew Boff

Location: City Hall, GB's office, 6.12E

Start: Tue 25/04/2017 16:30

End: Tue 25/04/2017 17:15

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: Gareth Bacon

Required Attendees: gareth.bacon@bexley.gov.uk; [REDACTED] Andrew Boff (Andrew.Boff@london.gov.uk); Andrew Boff

EA to Lord Davies: Deborah Hilderly / Tel: 020 7152 6536



CONFIRMED: Andrew; in your
Tues 25 April, 4.... GLA diary now:...