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Dear Mr Streeter,

Freedom of Information Act 2000
RE: Land at Blossom Street and Norton Folgate, Spitalfields, EC1

Thank you for your recent letter regarding a Freedom of Information request on the above matter.

With regards to your request for:

- *The GLA to provide records of all discussions (including telephone and email) by the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor for Policy & Planning, the Deputy Mayor for Housing, Land & Property, the Assistant Director, Strategic Projects & Property or the Planning Decisions Unit of the GLA with British Land or their agents, legal advisers or consultants which refer to the proposed development of Norton Folgate (Blossom Street, Elder Street & Folgate Street) since May 2012.*
- *Confirmation on whether the Deputy Mayor for Policy & Planning has been involved in any such discussions since the rejection decision by LBTH and if so provide details.*
- *Details of any meetings involving the Mayor, Deputy Mayor or PDU and British Land concerning Norton Folgate, please provide:*
 - (a) the dates, times and locations of these meetings;*
 - (b) which of these meetings with the Mayor or Deputy Mayor were in the presence of GLA officers;*
 - (c) notes of these meetings and confirmation as to whether these notes were placed on the GLA website;*
 - (d) details of whether any indication of opinion given or view expressed with respect to whether the Mayor might exercise his powers to become the local planning authority for the application.*

I can confirm that the GLA holds information that is in-scope of your request. Please see the attached set of emails containing all correspondence between British Land and their agents, DP9 since May 2012.

With regards to details of meetings involving the Mayor, Deputy Mayor or PDU and British Land concerning Norton Folgate, the following meetings have taken place:

- A pre-application meeting was held at City Hall on 30 May 2014. A meeting agenda with all attendees is attached. The meeting involved a presentation of the scheme by the architects and a discussion between GLA officers and the applicant team on relevant strategic planning issues. A copy of the pre-application advice note, dated 25 June 2014, is attached.

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

Yours sincerely,

James Keogh

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