GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA120721-8062

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Dear

Thank you for your request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 10 July 2021. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Could you please provide me with all footage and transcripts held of Sir Bernard Hogan-Howe testifying to the London Assembly in the capacity of Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police?

Existing snippets online may help demonstrate what I'm seeking: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BGjcbRaTOxE

Our response:

I can confirm that the GLA does hold information within the scope of your request.

A quick search of "Bernard Hogan-Howe" in the search box on the GLA website london.gov.uk showed several press releases and notifications of London Assembly meetings at which the Commissioner answered questions.

Transcripts

Transcripts (where they exist) would be in the public domain and can be located via our agendas/minutes page: https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/london-assembly/london-assembly-committees

There is a link where you can choose any of the years when Sir Bernard Hogan-Howe was Commissioner (Sept 2011- Feb 2017) and see a list of the Committees active at that time. You could then review the meeting notes for relevant Committees (e.g. policing, crime) and check for meetings where the former Police Commissioner took questions or gave evidence. https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/londonassembly/meetings/ieDocHome.aspx?bcr=1

I should mention that he may also have appeared in other meetings e.g. Mayor's Question Time, or London Assembly plenary meetings.

Footage

The GLA only keeps webcast recordings on our website for a limited time. The GLA does hold some backups of webcast recordings in various formats which go back several years. However, we can't run a search for "Sir Bernard Hogan-Howe" that will filter out any recording which

feature the former Commissioner. It would not be proportionate to require a member of staff to review every recording. However, if you provided the dates and probable names of the specific broadcasts, we may be able to assist.

Once you have reviewed the publicly available meeting information, if there are meetings that you are particularly interested in, please tell us the name(s) of the committee(s)/meeting(s) and we may be able to locate the relevant webcast recordings.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA120721-8062.

Yours sincerely

Information Governance Officer

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