GREATERLONDON AUTHORITY

(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA170419-0705

3 May 2019

Dear

Thank you for your request for information which the GLA received on 17 April 2019. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested:

Please could you provide me with the expenditures in each of the last five financial years on:

- 1. Your in-house legal team (if you have one). Please could this be given for each of the past five financial years?
- 2. Your external legal expenditure to include payments for external legal advisors or arms-length shared legal service team (if appropriate). Again, please could this be broken down for each of the past five financial years?
- 3. In relation to the external legal expenditure, please could you provide a breakdown for each of the past five years as to how much was spent per area of council business? For example: planning = £1,000, education = £2,000, HR= £1,000.

Please see below

| | | 2014/15 | 2015/16 | 2016/17 | 2017/18 | 2018/19 |
|----|---------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | | £m | £m | £m | £m | £m |
| 1) | TfL Legal fees | 2.00 | 2.20 | 2.20 | 2.50 | 2.50 |
| 2) | External Legal fees | 1.13 | 1.21 | 0.81 | 1.00 | 1.37 |
| | | 3.13 | 3.41 | 3.01 | 3.50 | 3.87 |
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| | | 2014/15 | 2015/16 | 2016/17 | 2017/18 | 2018/19 |
| 3) | External Legal fees by Directorate | £m | £m | £m | £m | £m |
| | Assembly & Secretariat | 0.00 | 0.00 | - | - | 0.01 |
| | Communities & Intelligence | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.03 |
| | Corporate Management | 0.00 - | 0.00 | 0.01 - | 0.00 | 0.01 |
| | Development, Enterprise & Environment | 0.09 | 0.15 | 0.21 | 0.12 | 0.62 |
| | Housing and Land | 1.01 | 0.98 | 0.41 | 0.69 | 0.57 |
| | Resources | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.17 | 0.19 | 0.13 |
| | | 1.13 | 1.21 | 0.81 | 1.00 | 1.37 |

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA170419-0705.

Yours sincerely

Information Governance Officer

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