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Our Ref: MGLA011121-6762

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Dear

Thank you for your request for information which the GLA received on 1 November 2021. Your request has been dealt with under the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) 2004.

You asked for;

"I understand that the Mayor of London's office secured £61 million in funding for the above scheme, to help people on income support and disability benefits. I further understand that as of 11th October 6,700 cars, 5,200 vans, 100 HGV's and 20 coaches had claimed grants of up to £2,000 under this scheme and that only £1,917,348 remained in the fund suggesting that a little over £59 million had been distributed (all from an Evening Standard article using data provided by Sadiq Khan. If all of the above claimants were awarded a £2,000 grant that would amount to £24,040,000, leaving a shortfall in excess of £35 million. Even if vans etc received double the standard grant amount that still leaves an enormous shortfall. Could you please explain this, and give me an approximate breakdown."

Our response to your request is as follows:

The scrappage schemes are operated on the GLA's behalf by Transport for London (TfL), therefore we do not hold the information that you have requested regarding a further breakdown of the schemes. You may wish to send a further request to TfL at foi@tfl.gov.uk.

However, please note that your calculations are incorrect in assuming that the van and heavy goods vehicle elements of the scheme issued the same level of grant payment as that for private cars. The details of the scrappage scheme and the available grants are detailed on the TfL website here: https://tfl.gov.uk/modes/driving/scrappage-schemes. As you will see the grants available for vans and minibuses were between £7,000 and £9,500, the grants available for Heavy Goods vehicles were £15,000.

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

Yours sincerely

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