

# GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

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(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA081217-7141

9 January 2018

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information which the GLA received on 9 December 2017. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested:

*Can you tell me how Cambridge Econometrics were chosen by Mayor Sadiq Khan to write the impact papers?*

*Can you tell me how much is this going to cost the Greater London Authority?*

*Can you publish the contract between the Greater London Authority and Cambridge Econometrics?*

Our partial response to your request is as follows:

**Can you tell me how Cambridge Econometrics were chosen by Mayor Sadiq Khan to write the impact papers?**

The work itself was procured using a competitive tendering process managed by TfL. Specifically, it used the GLA Economics Research and Evaluation Framework (GLA 80405) and Lot 1: Monitoring and forecasting the London economy. It was Task 21. In total, three bids were received and these were considered against the technical criteria and value for money as set out in the specification and ADD. Overall, Cambridge Econometrics was judged to be the best.

**Can you tell me how much is this going to cost the Greater London Authority?**

The decision ([ADD2142](#)) approved expenditure of up to £50,000 for this work.

**Can you publish the contract between the Greater London Authority and Cambridge Econometrics?**

I can confirm that we do hold a copy of the contract. We believe that some the information you have requested falls under the exemption at section 43(2) of the Act relating to commercial interests, which is subject to a public interest test.

The Freedom of Information Act (ss.10(3) and 17(2)) allows public authorities to extend the period for responding to requests under the Act if the information requested is subject to exemptions and longer is needed to consider the public interest. I am writing to inform you that it will be necessary to extend the time limit to respond to this element of your request beyond 20 working days in this case. We expect to be in a position to respond by the end of the month, though if we are able to make a decision before then, we will contact you sooner.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA081217-7141.

Yours sincerely

**Ruth Phillips**  
**Information Governance Officer**

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