

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

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(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA250618-5844

11 July 2018

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information which the GLA received on 25 June 2018. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked for;

For the financial years 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18 could you please provide me with:

- 1. The number of council executive, committee and sub-committee meetings held in private*
- 2. The number of successful applications to Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to hold a meeting of the council executive, a committee or sub-committee in private without providing 28 days' notice*
- 3. The number of times journalists or members of the public have been asked to leave council executive, committee and sub-committee meetings*

The GLA operates a different governance model to councils. The Mayor is the GLA's executive and his decisions are progressed and recorded via decision forms, which are published on our website here: www.london.gov.uk/about-us/governance-and-spending/good-governance/decisions?order=DESC. We do not therefore hold any information within the scope of your request, it not being relevant to the GLA.

The Mayor is scrutinised by the London Assembly, which meets as a full Assembly or in Committee. The list of Assembly Committees is here: <https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/london-assembly/london-assembly-committees>. These meetings take place in public and access is governed by the Local Government Act 1972. Although these are not 'executive' meetings, and beyond the scope of your request, the breakdown below indicates the number of times the press and public were excluded (in line with the Local Government Act):

- 13/14- 0
- 14/15- 0
- 15/16- 2

- 16/17- 2
- 17/18- 1

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA250618-5844.

Yours sincerely

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