

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

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(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA190820-1484

6 October 2020

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your further request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 19 August 2020. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) 2004.

You asked for information generated between 1 January 2010 and 1 January 2012 in scope of the following:

- 1. During the aforementioned period did the Mayor and the Prince of Wales meet in person to discuss issues of interest to both men.*
- 2. If the answer is yes can you please provide basic details of the meetings including date, time and venue. In the case of each meeting can you provide a full list of those present.*
- 3. In the case of each meeting can you highlight those occasions when the environment or environmental matters (as defined by the EIRs) were discussed. In the case of each meeting can you identify the environmental issues discussed.*
- 4. In the case of each meeting when the environment or environmental matters (as defined by the EIRs) were discussed can you please provide copies of any briefing notes or similar prepared for Boris Johnson in advance of the meeting. In the case of each meeting when the environment or environmental matters (as defined by the EIRs) were discussed can you provide copies of any documents handed over by the Prince to the Mayor at the meeting. In the case of each meeting when the environment or environmental matters (as defined by the EIRs) were discussed can you provide copies of any formal or informal agenda prepared in advance of the meeting. Please feel free to redact any information from the documents which does not relate to the environment or environmental matters as defined by the EIRs.*
- 5. During the aforementioned period did the two men discuss via telephone the environment or environmental matters (as defined by the EIRs). If the answer is yes can you please provide the date and time of any conversation (s). In the case of each conversation can you provide either a sound recording of the conversation or a written*

transcript. Please redact from the recording or the transcript any topics of conversation which do not relate to the environment or environmental matters as defined by the EIRs.

6. *If documentation relevant to any of the points identified as 1 to 5 has been destroyed can you please provide the following details. In the case of each piece of destroyed documentation can you state when it was destroyed and why. In the case of each destroyed piece of documentation can you please provide a brief outline of its contents. If destroyed documentation continues to be held in another form. Can you please provide copies of that documentation.*

Our response to your request is as follows:

Please note that all IT accounts belonging to the former Mayoral team have now been deleted. The GLA does hold information relating to Boris Johnson's diary and this has been published on our Disclosure Log. The diary for the dates within scope of your request is available at:

https://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/mgla221118-8772_-_foi_response_redacted.pdf

It contains the following entries relating to Prince Charles:

1. Meeting with the Prince of Wales Clarence House (Cleveland Row Entrance) 12/06/2008 (Page 7)
2. Prince of Wales Birthday Event Royal Opera House 14/11/2008 (Page 27)
3. Prince of Wales May Day Event (SPEECH 10 MINS + Q&A 5 MINS)
 - a. Old Billingsgate Walk, London EC3R 6DX 01/05/2009 (Page 47)
4. Project You - Prince Charles event Buckingham Palace 16/07/2009 (Page 56)
5. Meeting with HRH Prince of Wales Clarence House 07/12/2010 (Page 117)
6. Two further entries reference 'HRH'. The dates appear to coincide with media events involving the Queen and the Duchess of Cornwall.

A previous FOI disclosure indicates what one of the meetings may have been in relation to:

<https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/governance-and-spending/sharing-our-information/freedom-information/foi-disclosure-log/eir-prince-wales-communications-aug-2020>

The GLA holds no further information within scope of your request.

In relation to part 6, once an item has been deleted or destroyed it is no longer held by the Authority for the purposes of FOIA or the EIR. The ICO guidance states:

Requests made under FOIA or the EIR apply to information held at the time that the request is received. So, if a public authority receives a request for information that it held in the past, but has since been destroyed, it no longer holds that information. In order to comply with FOIA or the EIR, the public authority can reply to the request stating that it does not hold the information.

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

Yours sincerely



Information Governance Officer

If you are unhappy with the way the GLA has handled your request, you may complain using the GLA's FOI complaints and internal review procedure, available at:

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