

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

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(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA151118-8174

10 December 2018

Dear ██████████

Thank you for your request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 15 November 2018. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please find below the information we hold within the scope of your request

1) Has or will your local authority have a Christmas lights switch on or similar event in October, November or December 2018?

If no, then no further questions apply.

If yes, then please confirm the following:

The Greater London Authority did not have a Christmas lights switch on in 2018. The Authority facilitates the installation of the Oslo Christmas Tree in Trafalgar Square, which happened on 6th December 2018.

2) Who did the switch on or performed at the event?

The lighting event is paid for and managed by Westminster City Council, including the ceremonial switching on.

3) Were they paid a fee to do so? If so, how much were they paid? If more than one, please provide a breakdown.

As above, therefore, we cannot answer whether any fees or expenses were paid to any of the participants.

4) Were expenses paid, either in addition to any fee or instead of? If so, please provide a breakdown of these.

The GLA did not pay expenses to any individuals for switching on the Christmas tree lights.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA151118-8174.

Yours sincerely



Facilities Management Unit

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