GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA160421-0834

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Dear

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

Our response to your request is as follows:

1. Is there any roadmap for London SMEs to recover after all lockdowns the UK had? If yes, then what is it and is it implying now (during the "Step Two" of national lockdown covid restrictions easing), or will it be implemented later (then when)?

There is an overall roadmap developed by the London Covid Business Forum, which will impact on SMEs recovery which sets out a three-phase approach to support London's economic recovery over the coming 12 months and during transition out of the Coronavirus pandemic once we emerge from the current national lockdown restrictions: A roadmap to the safe and full reopening of London's economy: the next 12 months | GLA

- 2. Is there any data available on the overall London spendings (ongoing and future) towards SME recovery?
- 3. Is there any data about the number of SMEs that closed during or after the covid lockdowns? What is the ratio towards the still opened and operating London businesses?

The GLA does not hold the information requested.

Information on the percentage of businesses not permanently stopped trading and indicated they have a closed site, broken down by size band for London are found in the ONS release *Business impacts and insights on the UK economy*. See: <u>Business insights and impact on the UK economy</u> - Office for National Statistics (ons.gov.uk) (last updated on 06/05).

Information on the percentage of single-site businesses currently trading in London is found in the ONS release *Understanding the business impacts of local and national restrictions* (last updated on 31/03). See: <u>Understanding the business impacts of local and national restrictions</u>, UK - Office for National Statistics."

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

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