

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY




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Dear 

Information on community consultations & meeting minutes Olympic planning

I write to provide you with our response to request for information that the GLA received on the 22nd June 2015. Your request asked for the release of the following information:

 *currently undertaking research on the community consultation process that occurred around the planning of the London 2012 Olympic Games.*

I am currently looking for information relating to the consultations that occurred with local communities around the planning of the Olympic Games. Specifically, I am interested in finding minutes and records of consultation meetings, road shows and briefing sessions that occurred between 2005 and 2012 around the planned facilities in the Olympic Park and surrounding areas.

Any assistance that you would be able to give me in locating documents of this kind would be very much appreciated. I would also be extremely grateful if you could advise if this type of information is available as soon as possible so that I can either include or rule out this avenue of data collection from my studies

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act (FoIA) because it concerned the release of recorded information.

We've conducted searches of the information held by the Greater London Authority and some legacy information held by the GLA from the London Development Agency, and I am afraid that we have not been able to identify any information pertinent to your enquiry.

My colleagues have however confirmed that they are aware that the LDA Olympic Opportunities Team did run a *Legacy Now* Campaign which included a roadshow aimed to give people information about the legacy opportunities that would come on stream in the future. As the interim legacy client before the Olympic Delivery Authority (ODA) was fully established (and potentially in partnership with the ODA in their early days) the LDA would have undertaken some early consultation work as part of the development of the Legacy Masterplan Framework.

Unfortunately our searches did not locate any actual records of meetings or minutes of consultation meetings or events.

The ODA would also have undertaken consultations on their planning applications but they closed in December 2014. I am aware that some of the ODA's records have since been transferred to the Department for Culture, Media & Sport and some information might be available on their website:

- <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-culture-media-sport>
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/policies/2012-olympic-and-paralympic-legacy>

I'm also aware that ODA information predating May 2010 has been archived with The National Archives (<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/>)

The National Archives also hosts the [Internet Memory Foundation](#) which hosts archived snapshots of many central government websites. A quick search of their archives has identified that ODA's website has been archived on several occasions, and you may find some of the information you are interested in was originally published on their website and has since been preserved. For example:

- <http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20140607203014/http://data.gov.uk/publisher/olympic-delivery-authority>

The ODA's Learning Legacy website (<http://learninglegacy.independent.gov.uk>) might also hold some information that might assist with your research.

The London Legacy Development Corporation (LLDC) might also hold some information pertinent to your research. Information about how to request information from LLDC can be found on their website at the following address:

- <http://queenelizabetholympicpark.co.uk/get-in-touch/freedom-of-information-requests>

Thank you for writing to the Greater London Authority and I'm sorry that we haven't been able to locate any information to help with your research.

Yours sincerely



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