

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY



Our Ref: MGLA031115-8371

1st December 2015

Dear 

Request for information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write to provide you with our response to request for information that the GLA received on the 3rd November 2015. Your request asked for the release of the following information:

- 1) *I would like to have the details of all meetings in and out of City Hall that have included Darrell Vydelingum. I would like to know how much these meetings have cost the public.*
- 2) *Then I would like to know how much work he and/or his organisation, Blow Sales have done and would also like to:*
 - a) *See evidence that a fair tender/procurement procedure has taken place in every incidence over the last 12 years;*
 - b) *Know the value of the work undertaken over the last 12 years.*
- 3) *In addition to this, I would like to know how much work has gone to another organisation, BOP Consulting.*

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act and we can today provide you with our formal response to your request.

We can confirm that there are no contracts between the GLA and Blow Sales.

Darrell Vydelingum has attended occasional meetings at City Hall in relation to 14-18 NOW (the cultural programme commemorating the First World War centenary). Mr. Vydelingum attended these meetings as he is the 14-18 NOW Creative Director for Fashion.

There was no cost to the public for these meetings

Please see the table below detailing contracts with BOP Consulting.

Date	Amount (£)	Description
July 2011	54,088	Cultural Audit 2012 - First World Cities Culture Report and launch
December 2011	9,995	Cultural Education Research.
September 2013	7,000	Culture Strategy project
February 2014	2,000	London and the regions project
March 2014	18,000	Contract to run WCCF from Jan to Nov 2014
June 2014	10,000	Contract to run WCCF from Jan to Nov 2014
August 2014	5,000	Research into London holding a summit around being Capital of Creative Content
January 2015	15,000	Contract to run WCCF from Dec 2014 to March 2015 and start work on Finance Report data gathering
August 2015	20,000	2 year contract to run WCCF from April 2015 to March 2017
October 2015	25,000	World Cities Culture Report

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'I. Lister', written in a cursive style.

Ian Lister
Information Governance Manager

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<http://www.london.gov.uk/mayor-assembly/gla/governing-organisation/freedom-information>.