

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

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(By email)

Our Ref: **MGLA230816-3260**

07 November 2016

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information which the GLA received on 21 August 2016. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to your request. This is part due to the fact our financial system does not have a central cost code for individuals employed as consultants and contractors. We have therefore coordinated your request across every team to establish individuals the GLA has engaged this financial year as contractors (i.e. those taken on via procurement rather than an employment route).

You asked for:

1, Total number of external consultants / contractors currently employed:

A, In county hall

B, Directly or indirectly for the major.

2, Total amount paid to consultants in the current financial year to date broken down by month:

3, Highest, lowest and average daily rate paid to consultants / contractors.

4, Percentage of all personnel employed at county hall that are consultants / contractors.

We have defined your request as a person who the GLA has taken on via a procurement route to provide expert advice professionally as opposed to an organisation we have contracted with to provide a service (for example our in-house hospitality team and temp agencies). We have currently engaged 5 consultants at the Greater London Authority.

We have to date made one payment in this financial year to one consultant on the 5 October 2016 for £7,500.00. One of the 5 consultants works on a nil pay basis.

As of 5 September the GLA staff headcount was 783. From this figure the consultants engaged by the GLA represents 0.64% of the workforce.

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

Yours sincerely

Paul Robinson
Information Governance Officer

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