

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

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(by email)

Our Ref: MGLA231120-0569

16 December 2020

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 21st November 2020. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked for information on how much the council has budgeted to spend and invest in sustainability this financial year.

Our response to your request is as follows:

The GLA budget for environmental sustainability set in the first quarter of 2020 was £33 million for the financial year April 20-March 21. This does not include additional income from external funding sources.

This budget covers the work of the Environment & Energy Team at the GLA. The Team provide secretariat support to the London Sustainable Development Commission which delivers independent advice to the Mayor of London on his duty to deliver sustainable development, as well as for activities to mainstream sustainability throughout the GLA and other functional bodies.

More broadly, sustainability is a guiding principle which underpins all the work of the GLA. The Mayor of London has a statutory duty to deliver sustainable development which requires that the GLA has regard to the effect of all of its activities on the achievement of sustainable development in the UK. New or revised strategies should therefore include policies or proposals developed to contribute towards achieving sustainable development in the UK.

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

Yours sincerely

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Senior policy and programmes officer, sustainable development.

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