GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY



Our Ref: MGLA251116-4515

7 December 2016

Dear

Thank you for your request for information which the GLA received on 25 November 2016. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked for information concerning Gypsy and traveller sites in Greater London. The GLA is London's strategic government and does not operate in the same way as local Borough Councils. We therefore do not hold the information you have requested to be able to answer your request in full and you would need to contact the individual local Borough Councils:

https://www.london.gov.uk/in-my-area

- Since March 2012, how much money has the council received in Traveller Pitch Funding to build new traveller sites?
- Since March 2012, how much money has the council spent trying to deliver new transit, permanent and Travelling Showpeople sites, and what exactly has this money been used to fund?

With regards to the last part of your request, the Traveller Pitch funding programme Funding made available by the Government (but administered by GLA) ran until March 2015. Since then bidders can bid into the general programme but there have been none so far. We are working with RBKC to see if their proposals can be revisited.

Please see the list of allocations taken up, but please be aware that the allocations were for a combination of new pitches as well as for the refurbishment of some existing pitches:

Address	Location LA Name	Product	Completion Actual Date	FC Financial Year	Grant £	No of Units	No of Persons
The Chase Caravan Site RM7 0SS	Barking and Dagenham	RENT	13/Feb/14	2013	£69,000	12	12
Hartlands Travellers Site TW5 9RY	Hounslow	RENT	24/Mar/15	2014	£766,000	26	26
The Pastures 80 Carshalton Rd Woodmansterne Banstead SM7 3DX	Sutton	RENT	27/Mar/15	2014	£91,102	15	15

Traveller Pitch Funding Parkway Crescent London E15 1AB	Newham	RENT	26/Mar/15	2014	£75,000	15	15
Lonesome Way Travellers Pitch Streatham London SW16 5AL	Lambeth	RENT	30/Mar/15	2014	£181,699	11	11
				Sum:	£1,182,801	79	79

You may be interested to know that on 15 January 2015, the London Assembly published the findings of its investigation¹ into gypsy and traveller site provision in London.

If you need more information about the role and work of the GLA, please go to our website:

www.london.gov.uk

For more information regarding your subject matter area, you may find it useful to visit the London Gypsy and Traveller Unit website;

http://www.lgtu.org.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

Paul Robinson Information Governance Officer

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 $^{^1\} https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/london-assembly/london-assembly-publications/letter-mayor-gypsy-and-traveller-sites$