

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

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(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA300718-9185

6 August 2018

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your follow-up request for information which the GLA received on 30 July 2018. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Your original request asked how much public money was spent on Eid celebrations this year and we responded to confirm £72,500.

You have now requested:

Could you confirm that £72,500 is the total cost which includes ALL elements of the festival? If this is the case then I accept that. I was wondering if this included security and music etc, etc. Please don't reply with a politician's answer, please be clear and exact, total cost.

Please find below the information we hold within the scope of your new request:

£72,500 is the total value of GLA budget (public money) spent on the Eid Festival in Trafalgar Square, as per your original question.

The overall total cost of the festival was £112,000, with the additional funds raised through sponsorship and income from concessions at the event. This remains in line with other major community festivals that we support. This amount provided for all production infrastructure (staging, barriers, marquees, toilets etc), security and other event staff, cleaning, programming, marketing and licensing.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA300718-9185.

Yours sincerely

Ruth Phillips
Information Governance Officer

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