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Dear

## **Freedom of Information request**

Thank you for your email dated 30 March. Our response to your request is as follows:

In February this year GLA's Economics team published their study on the changing spatial nature of businesses in London over time. The study has been undertaken by Trends Business Research (TBR). The research looks at migration of companies from London (by sector and by size of business) over time and into London (again by sector and by age of business). The work also looks at start ups. The study shows the quantum of businesses moving outside London (and it breaks that down by CAZ, Inner London and Outer London, out to Greater South East and beyond). The 'reason' for moving is not collected in the study.

The research does not specifically look at companies moving to Farnborough however it provides information on the 'top ten' destinations that London businesses have moved to.

The study finds that, overall, London has been a net contributor of firms and employment to the rest of the UK economy through outward migration (that is, over the time period considered, more businesses have migrated out of London than have migrated into London from the rest of the UK).

A copy of the full research can be found here: <u>https://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/working\_paper\_73.pdf</u>

We also suggest to look at the London Business Survey 2014 which we published in 2014 and was undertaken by the ONS. http://data.london.gov.uk/dataset/london-business-survey-2014-london-as-a-place-to-dobusiness

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

Yours sincerely

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