

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

By email

Our Ref: **MGLA310517-3555**

13 June 2017

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 31 May 2017. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested:

"Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to know the average time taken for the council to pay invoices submitted to it by suppliers. I would like this data for the year ending March 31 2017.

If the yearend (March 31) makes responding to this request difficult, please base the response on the year end in the council's latest annual report/financial accounts."

I can today confirm that for the GLA's invoices paid in the period 01/04/2016 – 31/03/2017, the average time from invoice receipt to payment was 17.69 days.

The GLA is London's strategic government and does not operate in the same way as local authorities. Given the wording of your request, I assume that you also intended to contact the individual London Borough Councils. If so, their details are available via <https://www.london.gov.uk/in-my-area>.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA310517-3555.

Yours sincerely

Ruth Phillips
Information Governance Officer

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