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Dear Boris

Code of Practice in the Use of Statistics at the GLA

At recent GLA Oversight Committee meetings, Assembly Members have been consulted by the Head of Paid Service on proposals for the implementation of a code of practice in the use of statistics at the GLA.

During the course of the discussion, Assembly Members expressed concern that the Code would not be adopted automatically across the whole GLA group and that consequently this might result in confusion for members of the public and even potentially lead to the assumption that all functional body datasets were in strict accordance with the Code.

The Committee can see no good reason why the Code should not be adhered to across the GLA group and therefore requests that you consider formally issuing a direction to the functional bodies, instructing them to adopt the GLA's Code.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss this matter further. I would be grateful if you could copy your answer to the Committee Officer as per the details below.

Yours sincerely



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cc. Jeff Jacobs, Head of Paid Service

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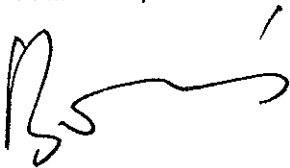
Dear Len

Code of Practice in the Use of Statistics at the Greater London Authority

Thank you for your letter of 9 May about the Code of Practice in the use of statistics at the GLA. I am writing to inform you that I have written to the Functional Bodies with a request that they implement the Code of Practice as soon as possible.

Once we have a clear view of their response, the officers below will be back in contact with you to address the Committee's points more directly.

Yours ever,



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