

MAYOR OF LONDON

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Dear Zack,

I am writing to follow up on my commitments to you in September's Mayor's Question Time regarding protecting animal rights in GLA-funded activities.

I am pleased to confirm that the GLA Group's Central Responsible Procurement Team will work with my policy teams and other functional bodies to consider animal welfare in the next Responsible Procurement Implementation Plan, with relevant commitments as required. This is due to be published next year.

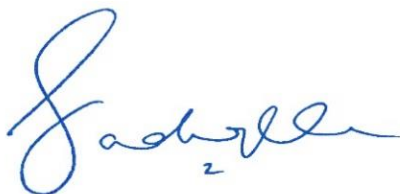
I am fully committed to ensuring that London leads the way in promoting ethical standards, and I look forward to seeing these vital measures put into action in the coming year.

I am also pleased to confirm that the British Fashion Council has now banned exotic skins from London Fashion Week. Feathers are currently not banned but the British Fashion Council is in active consultation with designers and other stakeholders on this issue. As you are aware, they banned fur last December, formalising an informal ban that has been in place since 2018.

Furthermore, on 4 November, my officers met with officials linked to the Plant Based Treaty and agreed to connect them with boroughs to discuss supporting it.

I want to reassure you that I will always do what I can to ensure GLA policies support and protect animals and other wildlife.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sadiq Khan', with a small '2' written below the name.

Sadiq Khan
Mayor of London