



Greater Manchester Combined Authority
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20th December 2018

Dear Mr Billington,

Re: FOI 316

Thank you for your request for information under the FOIA (2000) received by the Greater Manchester Combined Authority on the 22nd November regarding salaries/allowances for deputy mayors, cabinet members, and Assistant Portfolio Holders.

Specifically you asked for further information on the following:

1. *Please could you provide a breakdown of salaries/allowances for deputy mayors, cabinet members, assistant portfolio holders for the combined authority.*
2. *Also is there a list of advisers/commissioners to the Mayor/Combined Authority - for example, Chris Boardman as walking and cycling commissioner.*
3. *Could I please also have the following information:*
 - a) *Salaries/allowances for commissioners/advisers with the number of hours required each month.*
 - b) *Procedure for appointing commissioners/advisers - are these publicly advertised and if so, where and how many applications were received.*
 - c) *Are there standards for commissioners/advisers to follow surrounding conflicts of interest, behavior in office.*
 - d) *Are commissioners/advisers politically restricted in the same way as local authority staff are.*
 - e) *Do commissioners/advisers have any budget/departmental spend.*
 - f) *Full time equivalent staff count for each commissioner/adviser.*

In response to your request, I can confirm the following information:

1. Please could you provide a breakdown of salaries/allowances for deputy mayors, cabinet members, assistant portfolio holders for the combined authority.

Please find following breakdown:

- The information requested in relation to the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime, Full-time Employee of GMCA, paid annual salary £75,000
 - Deputy Mayor of Greater Manchester and lead on economic strategy – Elected Member, no remuneration received from the GMCA.
 - Elected Members who sit on Cabinet and Assistant Portfolio holders do not receive remuneration from GMCA.
2. Also is there a list of advisers/commissioners to the Mayor/Combined Authority - for example, Chris Boardman as walking and cycling commissioner.

Please find following breakdown:

- Mayors Cycling & Walking Commissioner – Day rate of £260.41 per day (exclusive of VAT) – 2 days a week for approximately 48 weeks of the year
 - Night-time Adviser – No remuneration received from the GMCA
 - Homelessness Adviser – No remuneration received from the GMCA
 - LGBT Adviser – No remuneration received from the GMCA
- a) Salaries/allowances for commissioners/advisers with the number of hours required each month.

As detailed at question 2.

- b) Procedure for appointing commissioners/advisers - are these publicly advertised and if so, where and how many applications were received.
 - Not held - Commissioners / advisers are not employees or appointments of the GMCA, and not remunerated, therefore no recruitment exercise is required.
- c) Are there standards for commissioners/advisers to follow surrounding conflicts of interest, behaviour in office.

- Those appointed to advisory positions are not employees of the GMCA and therefore the Employee Code of Conduct does not apply.
- For those, employed by the GMCA (Deputy Mayor Police and Crime, and Mayor's Cycling and Walking Commissioner) conflicts of Interest are covered within their individual contracts as detailed within Appendix 1.

d) Are commissioners/advisers politically restricted in the same way as local authority staff are.

- Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime – is exempt as it is a political appointment as defined by the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (as amended by Section 30 of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009). Further information is provided in Appendix 1.
- Mayor's Cycling & Walking Commissioner and other advisors – no political restriction

e) Do commissioners/advisers have any budget/departmental spend.

The Commissioners / advisors do not hold budgets or departmental spend.

f) Full time equivalent staff count for each commissioner/adviser.

There is no full time equivalent staff count for each commissioner.

Please note if you are not satisfied with this response you may ask for an internal review. If you wish to complain you should contact Julie Connor, Head of Governance who can be contacted via enquiries@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Yours Sincerely,

Information Officer

Mayor's Cycling and Walking Commissioner

7. Conflicts of Interest:

The Consultant represents that he is free to enter into this Agreement and that this engagement does not violate the terms of any agreement between the Consultant and any third party. During the term of this agreement, the Consultant shall devote as much of his productive time, energy and abilities to the performance of his duties hereunder as is necessary to perform the required duties in a timely and productive manner. The Consultant is expressly free to perform services for other parties while performing services for TfGM/GMCA.

In the interests of complete transparency and to avoid any potential conflict of interest the Consultant will play no role in advising third parties on tendering for contracts issued by TfGM/GMCA.

Deputy Mayor Policing and Crime

14. Conflicts of Interests:

You must not in an official or personal capacity allow your personal interests to conflict with the authority's requirements or use your position improperly to confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person or organisation. This includes any knowledge of or access to financial or investment information.

You should provide to the Head of the Paid Service or Monitoring Officer / Treasurer (as appropriate) of Greater Manchester Combined Authority, in writing, a list of your financial interests and those of your partner and any dependents prior to commencement of your employment and subsequently by 1st April on an annual basis. If there is any change in your financial interests, you must inform, in writing,

the Head of the Paid Service (or Monitoring Officer / Treasurer as appropriate) of Greater Manchester Combined Authority within 14 days of any change.

If you become aware of any potential personal conflicts of interests in respect of personal relationships you may have with organisations that Greater Manchester Combined Authority may have commercial or other relationships with, these should be disclosed to the Head of the Paid Service or Monitoring Officer / Treasurer (as appropriate) of Greater Manchester Combined Authority immediately.

12. Political Restriction:

This post is a politically restricted post, as defined by the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (as amended by Section 30 of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009) on one of the following grounds:

- i) the post is that of a Chief Officer or Deputy Chief Officer or
- ii) the post has delegated powers to discharge the functions of the Authority;
or
- iii) the duties associated with the post include giving advice on a regular basis to the Authority, to Committees or Sub-Committees of the Authority (including member panels, Sub-Committees etc.) or to joint committees on which the Authority is represented or give advice to Executive Members, Committees or speak to the media.

The postholder has a right to appeal to the Head of Paid Service for the Greater Manchester Combined Authority against the classification of this post as politically restricted.