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> Cllr Richard Cornelius Leader of Barnet Council BY EMAIL



Andrew Dismore AM

Date: 18 September 2018

Dear Richard,

Re: Living Wage accreditation

I received the below written answer from the Mayor of London:

London Living Wage Question No: 2018/2199

Andrew Dismore

Can you name the London boroughs which are London Living Wage accredited? Will you meet with the boroughs that are not accredited to tell them the benefits of paying the London Living Wage?

Written response from the Mayor

There are currently 16 London Living Wage accredited boroughs: Brent, Camden, Croydon, City of London, Ealing, Enfield, Greenwich, Hackney, Hammersmith and Fulham, Hounslow, Islington, Lambeth, Lewisham, Southwark, Tower Hamlets and Waltham Forest.

My officers are working to engage and involve more London boroughs in adopting my Good Work Standard, including the London Living Wage, through London Councils. I will also continue to raise this in my ongoing engagement with boroughs.

I notice that Barnet are not on the list. Could you let me know why this is, and whether you intend to rectify this? It would be scandalous if Barnet were not an accredited living wage employer, when the cost of housing in the borough is so high, and the Council has persistently failed to meet its affordable housing targets. I urge you and the council to consider properly the impact of low pay, and demonstrate your commitment to reducing poverty pay.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Dismore AM

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Labour London Assembly Member for Barnet and Camden