

MAYOR OF LONDON

- Continued investment for LEPs and funding to cover the lack of recent investment in London from national funding pots, such as the Stronger Towns Fund and the Getting Britain Building Fund.
- The creation of a capital fund for culture and creative industries infrastructure, with a ring-fenced allocation for London organisations, administered locally, and further investment in the East Bank project.
- Devolution to the GLA and Mayoral Combined Authorities of a proportion of the planned uplift in Research and Development funding.

2. **Supporting our communities, including those most impacted by the virus**

The pandemic has shone a light on the inequalities that still exist in the capital and I am calling for the following:

- Funding for victims' services, including the modernisation of services for vulnerable Londoners, resources to address the shortfall in accommodation-based services for victims of domestic abuse, and financial support to continue to deliver accommodation and support for victims of violence against women and girls.
- It is also vital that London's emergency services receive adequate and sustainable funding to be able to keep Londoners safe – this includes the Metropolitan Police Service's share of funding as part of the Government's commitment to increase police officer numbers by 20,000 nationally.
- To reduce risk to Londoners, we also need full funding for the removal of unsafe external wall systems from all affected buildings in London.

3. **To help young people to flourish with access to support and opportunities**

We can do far more in London to protect and create jobs – as an immediate priority I would like to see:

- Administration of the National Skills Fund should be delegated to the GLA and the other Mayoral Combined Authorities. This should start with the delegation of the proposed Lifetime Skills Guarantee Level 3 funding entitlement, to ensure smoother and faster delivery in line with the need of local labour markets.
- A doubling of the existing Adult Education Budget to respond to increasing demand.
- A commitment that the remaining Skills Capital funding we are expecting for 2020/21 will not be withdrawn.
- To ensure positive opportunities for young people in this difficult period, I am clear that London needs urgent funding to support criminally exploited or gang involved young people, including continued adequate funding for the London Violence Reduction Unit from the Home Office and funding for the provision of secure children's homes.

4. **To narrow social, economic and health inequalities**

There are a number of areas that require urgent action including:

- The immediate suspension of the no recourse to public funds condition to ensure that welfare support can be accessed by all those who need it.
- Urgent action to ensure we have the resources to provide COVID secure accommodation to help keep rough sleepers safe and warm.