

# GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY ACT 2007

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY

#### **Part 8: Environmental Functions**

#### **Climate change and energy**

#### ***Section 41: General duties of the Mayor with respect to his strategies***

100. Under section 41(4) of the GLA Act 1999 the Mayor is required to have regard to the effect his proposed strategies will have on the health of persons in Greater London and on the achievement of sustainable development in the United Kingdom. Section 41(7) requires that he include such policies and proposals relating to the content of the strategy he considers best meets those aims. Section 41 makes similar provision in respect to climate change. It amends section 41(4) of the 1999 Act to require the Mayor to have regard to climate change and the consequences of climate change when preparing his strategies. The section also amends section 41(7) to require the Mayor to include such policies and proposals in his strategies he considers best calculated to contribute towards the mitigation of, or adaptation to, climate change, in the United Kingdom.
101. This requirement complements the duty on each of the Mayor and Assembly at section 42 to address climate change, and the requirement on the Mayor to ensure the exercise of the GLA's general power contributes to addressing climate change at section 40.