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Dear Tracy

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Evidence Session – Sports Sustainability Fund

The Committee would like to thank you for giving evidence on the Sport Sustainability Fund on 8 July 2021 which Members found very useful. However, the Committee requested some further information on the following:

- The CE Sports NI stated that grants over £1m are forwarded to the Department for approval. How many of these went to the Department and what was the process for approval?
- What was the reason that the £1.56m grant for Royal County Down Golf Club was not approved initially by the Department?
- Could you provide a breakdown of the £2.6m grants paid to other clubs; and
- What was the breakdown of the £2.3m sports hardship grants awarded?

I look forward to hearing from you by **26 August 2021**.

Yours sincerely

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William Humphrey MBE MLA Chairperson Public Accounts Committee