

Written Ministerial Statement

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Department of Finance

BUDGET 2021-22: FUNDING AVAILABLE

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Mr Murphy (The Minister of Finance): The purpose of this Statement is to inform the Assembly of the funding made available for Budget 2021-22 as notified by the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland on 30 November 2020.

In line with my legal obligation under Section 64 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 I am required to lay before the Assembly a Statement detailing the amount of funding provided for 2021-22 at least 14 days before a laying a draft Budget for the financial year.

Our core DEL arising from recent Chancellor's Spending Review is set out in the table below.

£million	Non Ring-fenced Resource DEL	Capital	FTC
2021-22 Core DEL	11,596.0	1,578.0	73.6

The Chancellor also set out further funds for 2021-22 for COVID and non-Barnett items and these are set out in the following table.

£million	Non Ring-fenced Resource DEL	Capital
COVID	538.2	3.6
Farm Payments	315.6	-
Fisheries	3.1	-
Security	31.2	0.9
Total	888.2	4.5

In addition, the Secretary of State has confirmed the following funding will be available under the Fresh Start Agreement and EU Exit protocol funding.

£million	Non Ring-fenced Resource DEL	Capital DEL (Net)
Shared Education and Housing		28.4
Equality Commission	0.8	

This brings the total funding available from the British Government to

£million	Non Ring-fenced Resource DEL	Capital	FTC
2021-22 DEL	12,484.9	1,610.9	73.6

As required by legislation, I will demonstrate that the amount of funding required by any draft Budget does not exceed the amount notified by the Secretary of State as set out in this statement.