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Northern Ireland Assembly  
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**AQW 36764/11-15**

**Peter Weir MLA has asked:**

**To ask the Minister of the Environment to detail the (i) general; (ii) resource; and (iii) other grants provided by his Department to local councils, in each of the last five years.**

**ANSWER**

Annex A attached provides the information requested.

For information purposes, the General Grant to Local Councils consisted of the Resources and De-Rating Grants up to March 2012. Since April 2012, the General Grant is now referred to as two separate grants i.e. the De-Rating Grant and the Rates Support Grant (previously referred to as the Resources Grant). Both the De-Rating Grant and the Rates Support Grant details are included at Annex A.

Please note that a copy of this document will be placed in the Assembly Library.

*Mark Durkan*

**Signed:**

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**Mark H Durkan MLA**

**Date:**

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11 October 2014

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**Grants provided by DOE to Local Councils 2009-10 to 2013-14**

**Annex A**

<b>Grant Scheme</b>	<b>2009-10 £'000</b>	<b>2010-11 £'000</b>	<b>2011-12 £'000</b>	<b>2012-13 £'000</b>	<b>2013-14 £'000</b>	<b>Total £'000</b>
De-rating Grant	24,872	25,134	25,405	26,374	27,128	128,913
Rates Support Grant	21,036	19,516	18,607	17,172	18,326	94,657
Dereliction Grant	-	-	379	1,713	2,046	4,138
Emergency Financial Assistance	65	145	406	1,722	290	2,628
Animal Welfare Grant	-	-	229	-	-	229
Network NI Grant	-	-	-	224	-	224
Construction Products Grant	225	225	225	225	225	1,125
Emergency Planning Grant	734	400	400	394	449	2,377
Miscellaneous Grant	-	-	-	19	-	19
Local Air Quality Grant	527	574	398	387	406	2,292
Rethink Waste Grant	-	25	661	99	53	838
Waste Infrastructure Resource Grant	682	642	152	63	8	1,547
Noise Act Grant	-	11	11	-	-	22
Listed Building Grant	258	324	679	343	419	2,023
Natural Heritage Grant	358	362	380	312	333	1,745
Animal Welfare Grant (Capital Grant)	-	-	94	-	-	94
Rethink Waste Grant (Capital Grant)	-	4,183	1,687	2,120	1,368	9,358
Waste Infrastructure Procurement Support (Capital Grant)	1,844	2,394	1,507	784	38	6,567
Clean Air Grant (Capital Grant)	-	7	-	-	-	7
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