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Dear Deborah,

AQW 9671/22-27 –funding granted to grassroots football, rugby, hockey, GAA and hurling clubs

You recently submitted an Assembly Written Question AQW 9471/22-27, requesting the amount of funding granted to grassroots football, rugby, hockey, GAA and hurling clubs by my department in each of the last two years.

As outlined in my response, and due to the large volume of detail required to provide an answer, I have arranged for this to be placed in the Assembly Library.

Yours sincerely

**Gordon Lyons MLA
Minister for Communities**

Details of funding granted to grassroots football, rugby hockey GAA and hurling clubs by the Department for Communities and Sport Northern Ireland for 2022-23 and 2023-24 as per AQW 9671/22-27

(i) Details of Funding Provided to Grassroots Football in Last Two Years.

The Department for Communities has provided the following funding to grassroots football in the last two fiscal periods:

Organisation	2022/23	2023/24	Total
Tullycarnet Football Club	£8,500	£10,000	£18,500

In addition, my Department provided funding to the Irish Football Association for a multi-sport project to provide programming across a number of sporting codes. The sports supported include Football, GAA, Ulster Rugby, Belfast Giants and Irish Amateur Boxing Association:

Organisation	2022/23	2023/24	Total
Irish Football Association	£191,438.04	£209,985.49	£401,423.53

Sport NI Funding to Grassroots Football.

As this issue is an operational matter for Sport NI.

I have sought the requested information from the Chief Executive, who has advised me as follows:

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<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Programme</i>	<i>Grant Amount (£)</i>	<i>Grant Type</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Dungannon United Youth CIC</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>25000</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Crumlin United FC</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>25000</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Lisburn Distillery Football and Athletic Club</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>19191.6</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Shaw's Bridge Sports Association</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>24500</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Newforge Community Development Trust</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>18967.05</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Glentoran Recreation Company</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>22655</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Armagh City FC</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>25000</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Warrenpoint Town FC</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>25000</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Larne Tech Old Boys Association</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>17750</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Portadown Football & Athletic Com. Ltd</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>25000</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>

2022	<i>Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	1304.43	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Coleraine FC</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	27259.5	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Programme</i>	<i>Grant Amount (£)</i>	<i>Grant Type</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>
2022	<i>Crusaders FC</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	29950	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Cliftonville FC</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	29250	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Ballyclare Comrades Football Club</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	29856	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Mid and East Antrim Borough Council</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	29511	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Glentoran FC</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	29853	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Newry City FC</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	27577	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Larne FC</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	29950	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Carrick Rangers FC</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	29664.11	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Glenavon FC</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	7686.9	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2023	<i>Lisburn Rangers FC</i>	<i>Renewable Energy Fund</i>	1170	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Lottery</i>
2023	<i>Donegal Celtic FC</i>	<i>Renewable Energy Fund</i>	957	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Lottery</i>

2023	Moyola Park AFC	Renewable Energy Fund	957	Capital	Lottery
2023	Barn United Youth FC	Renewable Energy Fund	1148.4	Capital	Lottery
Fiscal Year	Organisation	Programme	Grant Amount (£)	Grant Type	Funding Type
2023	Greenisland Football Club	Renewable Energy Fund	957	Capital	Lottery
2023	Coleraine FC	Safety at Sports Grounds	29750	Capital	Exchequer
2023	Cliftonville FC	Safety at Sports Grounds	26385	Capital	Exchequer
2023	Cliftonville FC	Safety at Sports Grounds	16385	Capital	Exchequer
2023	Larne FC	Safety at Sports Grounds	24675	Capital	Exchequer
2023	Carrick Rangers FC	Safety at Sports Grounds	28363.16	Capital	Exchequer
2023	Glenavon FC	Safety at Sports Grounds	27399.23	Capital	Exchequer
2023	Glenavon FC	Safety at Sports Grounds	14687.79	Capital	Exchequer
2023	Portadown FC	Safety at Sports Grounds	24990.17	Capital	Exchequer
2023	Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough Council	Your School Your Club	225000	Capital	Exchequer

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(ii) Details of Funding Provided to Grassroots Rugby in Last Two Years.

The Department for Communities has provided no direct funding to grassroots rugby in the last two fiscal periods.

Sport NI Funding to Grassroots Rugby

This issue is an operational matter for Sport NI.

I have sought the requested information from the Chief Executive, who has advised me as follows:

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<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Programme</i>	<i>Grant Amount (£)</i>	<i>Grant Type</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>
2022	<i>Dungannon Football Club t/a Dungannon Rugby Football Club</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	14863	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Ballyclare Rugby Football Club</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	24900	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Ballymoney Rugby Football Club</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	25000	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Larne Rugby Football Club</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	14171.67	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2023	<i>Enniskillen Rugby Football Club</i>	<i>Renewable Energy Fund</i>	1000	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Lottery</i>
<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Programme</i>	<i>Grant Amount (£)</i>	<i>Grant Type</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>

2023	<i>Ballyclare Rugby Football Club</i>	<i>Multi Facility Fund 2018</i>	3600	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Lottery</i>
2023	<i>Randalstown RFC</i>	<i>Renewable Energy Fund</i>	957	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Lottery</i>
2023	<i>Lisburn Rugby Club</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	25000	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2023	<i>Ards Rugby Football Club</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	25000	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2023	<i>Ballynahinch Rugby Football Club</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	25000	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>

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(iii) Details of Funding Provided to Grassroots Hockey in Last Two Years.

The Department for Communities has provided no direct funding to grassroots hockey in the last two fiscal periods.

Sport NI Funding to Grassroots Hockey

This issue is an operational matter for Sport Northern Ireland.

I have sought the requested information from the Chief Executive, who has advised me as follows:

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<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Programme</i>	<i>Grant Amount (£)</i>	<i>Grant Type</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Rainey RFHC</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>25000</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2023</i>	<i>Lisnagarvey Hockey Club</i>	<i>Renewable Energy Fund</i>	<i>896.23</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Lottery</i>

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(iv) **Details of Funding Provided to Grassroots GAA (including Hurling) in Last Two Years.**

The Department for Communities has provided the following funding to grassroots GAA in the last two fiscal periods:

Club	2022/23	2023/24	Total
Dungannon Thomas Clarkes RFC	£972,817.00		£972,817.00
St Peter's GAC and Recreation Club	£91,303.87		£91,303.87
Clan na Gael GAC Lurgan		£11,848.13	£11,848.13
Total	£1,064,120.87	£11,848.13	£1,075,969.00

Sport NI Funding to Grassroots GAA (including Hurling)

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<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Programme</i>	<i>Grant Amount (£)</i>	<i>Grant Type</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Dungannon Clarkes</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>25000</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Killeeshil St Marys GFC</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>25000</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>St Joseph's Craigbane GAC</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>25000</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Ballerin GAC</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>25000</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>John Mitchells GAC, Glenullin</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>24170</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Michael Davitts GAC (Belfast)</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>24146</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>An Charraigh Mhor GFC</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>25000</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Culloville Blues GAC</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>25000</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>St Colmcilles Grange GFC</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>24850</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>2022</i>	<i>Michael Davitts GAC (Swatragh)</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	<i>25000</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>

2022	<i>Erins Own Lavey GAC</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	22440	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Liatroim Fontenoys GAC</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	25000	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>St Michael's GAC Magheralin</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	25000	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Programme</i>	<i>Grant Amount (£)</i>	<i>Grant Type</i>	<i>Funding Type</i>
2022	<i>Clann Eireann GFC & Youth Club</i>	<i>Building Better Sports Facilities</i>	25000	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>St Molaise GFC Irvinestown</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	29832	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Enniskillen Gaels GAA</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	29650	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Dungannon Thomas Clarke GFC</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	30000	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Derry GAA County Board</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	31420	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>St John's GAC (Belfast)</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	23292	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Omagh St Endas</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	30000	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Russell Gaelic Union GAC</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	10240.12	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>Clan Na Gael clg football acc</i>	<i>Safety at Sports Grounds</i>	5460	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>
2022	<i>St Mary's Grammar School (Belfast)</i>	<i>Your School Your Club</i>	152394.60	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Exchequer</i>

2022	St Louis Grammar School	Your School Your Club	21858.32	Capital	Exchequer
2023	Owen Roe GAC Coleraine	Building Better Sports Facilities	25000	Capital	Exchequer
2023	St Macartan's GAC	Building Better Sports Facilities	25000	Capital	Exchequer
Fiscal Year	Organisation	Programme	Grant Amount (£)	Grant Type	Funding Type
2023	Eskra Emmetts GAA Club	Building Better Sports Facilities	25000	Capital	Exchequer
2023	Armagh Harps GFC	Building Better Sports Facilities	24750	Capital	Exchequer
2023	Wolfe Tone GAC (Derrymacash)	Building Better Sports Facilities	25000	Capital	Exchequer
2023	Steelstown Brian Ogs GAC	Renewable Energy Fund	1200	Capital	Lottery
2023	Tempo Maguire's GAC	Renewable Energy Fund	1000	Capital	Lottery
2023	Aghadrumsee St Macartans GAC	Renewable Energy Fund	1200	Capital	Lottery
2023	Clonmore Robert Emmets CLG	Renewable Energy Fund	1000	Capital	Lottery
2023	Killyman St Mary's GFC	Renewable Energy Fund	1000	Capital	Lottery
2023	O'Briens Foreglen GAC	Renewable Energy Fund	1470	Capital	Lottery
2023	St Canice's Gaelic Athletic Club	Renewable Energy Fund	1148.4	Capital	Lottery

2023	Kickhams Creggan GAC	Renewable Energy Fund	1000	Capital	Lottery
2023	Patrick Sarsfields GAC	Renewable Energy Fund	900	Capital	Lottery
2023	Newry Shamrocks GAC	Renewable Energy Fund	1200	Capital	Lottery
Fiscal Year	Organisation	Programme	Grant Amount (£)	Grant Type	Funding Type
2023	Killeavy GAC	Renewable Energy Fund	1125	Capital	Lottery
2023	St Mary's Granemore GAA	Renewable Energy Fund	1000	Capital	Lottery
2023	St Colm's GAC	Renewable Energy Fund	1000	Capital	Lottery
2023	Kildress Wolfe Tones GAC	Renewable Energy Fund	1000	Capital	Lottery
2023	St. Marys GAC, Rasharkin	Renewable Energy Fund	840	Capital	Lottery
2023	St. Mary's Ahoghill GA & CC	Renewable Energy Fund	1290	Capital	Lottery
2023	Clann Na Banna CLG	Renewable Energy Fund	1000	Capital	Lottery
2023	Enniskillen Gaels GAA	Safety at Sports Grounds	30000	Capital	Exchequer

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