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Dear Claire

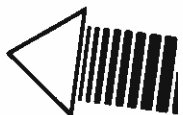
AQW 9471/22-27 – funding granted to sports clubs in each of the last five years, broken down by sport.

You recently submitted an Assembly Written Question AQW 9471/22-27, requesting the amount of funding granted to sports clubs by my Department in each of the last five years, broken down by sport. The answer also includes information provided by Sport NI, an arms length body of my Department, broken down by generic funding to sport, covid safe sports packs and covid Sustainability Fund which was allocated to Sports Governing Bodies for disbursement to sports clubs.

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

Yours sincerely

Gordon Lyons MLA
Minister for Communities





Annex A

Details of funding granted to sports clubs in each of the last five years by the Department for Communities and Sport Northern Ireland for the period 2019-2024 as per AQW 9471/22-27
Funding granted to sports clubs in each of the last five years, broken down by sport:-



1. Department for Communities, Community Empowerment Division

Sport	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	TOTAL
Football	£288,065.31	£77,228.87	£156,498.63	£199,938.04	£219,985.49	£941,716.34
GAA	£203,701.62			£1,064,120.87	£11,848.13	£1,279,670.62
Grand Total	£491,766.93	£77,228.87	£156,498.63	£1,264,058.91	£231,833.62	£2,221,386.96



2. Sport Northern Ireland

Table 1: full amount of funding granted to sports clubs in each of the last five years, broken down by sport

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:

"Sport	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Grand Total
<i>Aikido</i>		£3,000				£3,000
<i>American Football</i>		£12,000	£3,244			£15,244
<i>Angling</i>		£32,000	£26,175			£58,175
<i>Archery</i>		£0				£0
<i>Association Football</i>	£288,168	£838,345	£1,690,961	£425,643	£197,825	£3,440,942
<i>Athletics</i>		£30,000	£13,313			£43,313
<i>Badminton</i>		£0				£0
<i>Basketball</i>		£14,000				£14,000
<i>Billiards and Snooker</i>		£3,000				£3,000
<i>Boccia</i>		£0				£0
<i>Bowling</i>	£99,999	£127,461	£66,793		£798	£295,051
<i>Boxing</i>		£187,000	£281,943			£468,943
<i>Camogie</i>		£49,400	£57,428	£25,000		£131,828
<i>Canoeing</i>	£144,292	£11,402		£9,000		£164,694
<i>Cricket</i>	£13,884	£88,000	£213,750	£78,800	£975	£395,409
<i>Cycling</i>		£7,000	£26,827		£638	£34,465
<i>Dancesport</i>		£0				£0
<i>Disability Sport</i>		£13,000				£13,000
<i>Dodgeball</i>		£0				£0
<i>Equestrianism</i>		£11,000				£11,000



"Sport	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Grand Total
<i>Fencing</i>		£0				£0
<i>Gaelic Sports</i>	£474,945	£882,532	£3,001,943	£678,333	£173,123	£5,210,877
<i>Golf</i>		£18,000	£74,488	£21,761	£78,406	£192,654
<i>Gymnastics</i>		£29,000	£35,851			£64,851
<i>Hockey</i>		£68,000	£70,922	£25,000	£896	£164,818
<i>Ice Hockey</i>		£2,000				£2,000
<i>Ju Jitsu</i>		£11,000				£11,000
<i>Judo</i>		£14,000				£14,000
<i>Karate</i>		£8,000	£926			£8,926
<i>Motor Cycling</i>		£12,000				£12,000
<i>Motorsports</i>	£30,000	£2,000				£32,000
<i>Mountaineering</i>		£0				£0
<i>Multi Skills</i>		£2,000				£2,000
<i>Multisport</i>	£207,924	£197,000	£97,029	£22,788	£1,741	£526,482
<i>Netball</i>		£4,000				£4,000
<i>Outdoor Activities</i>		£3,000				£3,000
<i>Physical Activity</i>		£3,000				£3,000
<i>Pool</i>		£2,000				£2,000
<i>Rambling</i>		£0				£0
<i>Roller sports</i>		£3,000				£3,000
<i>Rowing</i>	£500	£175,000	£24,525			£200,025
<i>Rugby Union</i>	£84,920	£46,000	£133,431	£78,935	£80,557	£423,842
<i>Sailing/ Yachting</i>	£79,200	£32,000	£109,382		£22,760	£243,342
<i>Scottish Country Dancing</i>		£0				£0
<i>Shooting</i>		£30,000		£25,000		£55,000
<i>Skiing</i>		£0				£0



"Sport	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Grand Total
<i>Squash</i>		£2,000				£2,000
<i>Sub Aqua</i>		£6,000				£6,000
<i>Swimming</i>		£45,000	£10,091			£55,091
<i>Table Tennis</i>		£5,000				£5,000
<i>Taekwondo</i>		£3,000				£3,000
<i>Ten Pin Bowling</i>		£0				£0
<i>Tennis</i>		£72,643	£14,364		£17,227	£104,234
<i>Trampolineing</i>		£0				£0
<i>Triathlon</i>		£7,000	£5,791	£1,000		£13,791
<i>Tug of War</i>		£2,000				£2,000
<i>Volleyball</i>		£0				£0
<i>Water Polo</i>		£8,000				£8,000
<i>Water Skiing</i>		£2,000				£2,000
<i>Weightlifting</i>		£5,000				£5,000
<i>Wrestling</i>		£2,000				£2,000
Grand Total	£1,423,832	£3,129,784	£5,959,176	£1,391,260	£574,945	£12,478,997"

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Table 2: Covid Safe Sport packs issued

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

"Sport	Number of Safe Sports Packs per sport	Total Value of Safe Sports Packs provided per Sport
<i>American Football</i>	3	£1,125
<i>Angling</i>	23	£8,625
<i>Archery</i>	7	£2,625
<i>Association Football</i>	323	£121,125
<i>Athletics</i>	52	£19,500
<i>Badminton</i>	7	£2,625
<i>Basketball</i>	9	£3,375
<i>Boccia</i>	4	£1,500
<i>Bowling</i>	48	£18,000
<i>Boxing</i>	65	£24,375
<i>Camogie</i>	26	£9,750
<i>Canoeing</i>	5	£1,875
<i>Caving</i>	1	£375
<i>Cricket</i>	36	£13,500
<i>Cycling</i>	24	£9,000
<i>Dancesport</i>	8	£3,000
<i>Disability Sport</i>	11	£4,125
<i>Dodgeball</i>	1	£375
<i>Equestrianism</i>	14	£5,250
<i>Fencing</i>	3	£1,125
<i>Gaelic Sports</i>	231	£86,625
<i>Golf</i>	27	£10,125
<i>Gymnastics</i>	29	£10,875



"Sport	Number of Safe Sports Packs per sport	Total Value of Safe Sports Packs provided per Sport
<i>Hockey</i>	41	£15,375
<i>Ice Hockey</i>	1	£375
<i>Ju Jitsu</i>	6	£2,250
<i>Judo</i>	15	£5,625
<i>Karate</i>	8	£3,000
<i>Keep Fit</i>	1	£375
<i>Motor Cycling</i>	5	£1,875
<i>Motorsports</i>	4	£1,500
<i>Mountain Rescue</i>	1	£375
<i>Mountaineering</i>	4	£1,500
<i>Multi Skills</i>	2	£750
<i>Multisport</i>	59	£22,125
<i>Netball</i>	18	£6,750
<i>Orienteering</i>	1	£375
<i>Outdoor Activities</i>	7	£2,625
<i>Physical Activity</i>	2	£750
<i>Rambling</i>	5	£1,875
<i>Roller sports</i>	1	£375
<i>Rowing</i>	17	£6,375
<i>Rugby Union</i>	34	£12,750
<i>Sailing/Yachting</i>	15	£5,625
<i>Scottish Country Dancing</i>	1	£375
<i>Shooting</i>	5	£1,875
<i>Skiing</i>	1	£375
<i>Squash</i>	1	£375
<i>Sub Aqua</i>	3	£1,125
<i>Swimming</i>	19	£7,125
<i>Table Tennis</i>	11	£4,125



“Sport	Number of Safe Sports Packs per sport	Total Value of Safe Sports Packs provided per Sport
<i>Taekwondo</i>	5	£1,875
<i>Ten Pin Bowling</i>	1	£375
<i>Tennis</i>	17	£6,375
<i>Trampolining</i>	3	£1,125
<i>Triathlon</i>	7	£2,625
<i>Tug of War</i>	3	£1,125
<i>Volleyball</i>	5	£1,875
<i>Water Polo</i>	1	£375
<i>Weightlifting</i>	3	£1,125
<i>Wrestling</i>	1	£375
Grand Total	1291	£484,125”

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Table 3: Sports Sustainability Fund

Payments from the Sports Sustainability Fund were made to National Governing Bodies (NGBs) for disbursement to clubs.

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

NGB Name	Total awarded to Sport via NGB	Amount to NGB	Amount to Affiliated Clubs
<i>2 & 4 Wheels Motorsport Steering Group</i>	£227,268		£227,268
<i>American Football Ireland</i>	£9,652		£9,652
<i>Archery NI</i>	£2,797	£2,797	
<i>Association Irish Indoor Bowls</i>	£43,540	£4,617	£38,923
<i>Athletics NI</i>	£225,631	£81,193	£144,438
<i>Basketball NI</i>	£51,015	£14,028	£36,987
<i>British Gymnastics</i>	£340,091	£73,190	£266,901
<i>Canoe Association NI</i>	£3,421		£3,421
<i>Cricket Ireland</i>	£330,119		£330,119
<i>Cycling Ireland</i>	£14,518	£14,518	
<i>Golf Ireland</i>	£4,208,286		£4,208,286
<i>Horse Sport Ireland</i>	£28,288		£28,288
<i>Ice Hockey UK</i>	£407,565		£407,565
<i>Irish Amateur Rowing Union (Ulster Branch)</i>	£12,376	£42	£12,334
<i>Irish Athletic Boxing Association</i>	£62,417	£37,871	£24,546
<i>Irish Bowling Association</i>	£49,593	£6,020	£43,573
<i>Irish Football Association</i>	£6,555,593	£1,715,431	£4,840,162
<i>Irish Indoor Bowling Association</i>	£13,470	£13,470	
<i>IRFU Ulster Branch</i>	£2,235,530	£1,509,539	£725,991
<i>National Coarse Fishing Federation Ireland</i>	£994		£994
<i>National Ice Skating Association UK</i>	£1,802		£1,802



NGB Name	Total awarded to Sport via NGB	Amount to NGB	Amount to Affiliated Clubs
<i>Netball NI</i>	£34,892	£34,892	
<i>NI Billiards & Snooker Association</i>	£1,343	£1,343	
<i>NI Judo Federation</i>	£31,075	£31,075	
<i>NI Karate Board</i>	£5,533	£3,477	£2,056
<i>NI Tenpin Bowling Association</i>	£2,966	£2,966	
<i>NI Volleyball</i>	£8,913	£6,666	£2,247
<i>Royal Yachting Association NI</i>	£174,343		£174,343
<i>Swim Ulster</i>	£244,173		£244,173
<i>Triathlon Ireland</i>	£89,707	£44,725	£44,982
<i>Ulster Angling Federation</i>	£33,282		£33,282
<i>Ulster Branch Badminton Union of Ireland (UBBUI)</i>	£27,381	£11,675	£15,706
<i>Ulster Branch Tennis Ireland</i>	£446		£446
<i>Ulster Council GAA</i>	£7,380,382	£1,448,122	£5,932,260
<i>Ulster Hockey Union</i>	£151,399	£47,584	£103,815
Total	£23,009,801	£5,105,241	£17,904,560"

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Table 4: Covid Recovery Programme

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

“Sport	2021
<i>American Football</i>	£3,244
<i>Angling</i>	£3,775
<i>Association Football</i>	£1,206,286
<i>Athletics</i>	£13,313
<i>Bowling</i>	£41,793
<i>Boxing</i>	£19,627
<i>Camogie</i>	£55,428
<i>Cricket</i>	£126,075
<i>Cycling</i>	£22,567
<i>Gaelic Sports</i>	£2,075,573
<i>Golf</i>	£4,488
<i>Gymnastics</i>	£35,851
<i>Hockey</i>	£18,927
<i>Karate</i>	£926
<i>Multisport</i>	£77,560
<i>Rowing</i>	£24,525
<i>Rugby Union</i>	£40,995
<i>Sailing/Yachting</i>	£59,382
<i>Swimming</i>	£10,091
<i>Triathlon</i>	£710
Grand Total	£3,841,136”

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