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Dear Michelle,

AQW 19947/22-27 – DETAIL THE AMOUNT OF FUNDING THAT (I) AN DROICHEAD; (II) CUMANN CULTÚRTHA MHC REACHTAIN; (III) IONAD UÍBH EACHACH; (III) FORBAIRT FEIRSTE; (IV) GLÓR NA MÓNA; AND (V) IONAD NA FUISEOIGE RECEIVED FROM (A) FORAS NA GAELIGE; AND (B) HIS DEPARTMENT IN EACH OF THE LAST THREE YEARS.

You recently submitted an Assembly Written Question AQW 19947/22-27, asking that I detail the amount of funding that (i) An Droichead; (ii) Cumann Cultúrtha Mhic Reachtain; (iii) Ionad Uíbh Eachach; (iii) Forbairt Feirste; (iv) Glór na Móna; and (v) Ionad na Fuisgeoige received from (a) Foras na Gaelige; and (b) his Department in each of the last three years.

I have arranged for this information to be placed in the Assembly Library.

Yours sincerely

Gordon Lyons MLA
Minister for Communities

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Funding provided to these organisations is set out in the following tables.

Foras na Gaelige

	2022	2023	2024
An Droichead	£72,253.20	£82,510.73	£71,069.50
Cumann Cultúrtha Mhic Reachtain	£90,060.00	£75,484.98	£78,550.00
Ionad Uíbh Eachach	£75,415.00	£69,030.00	£64,300.00
Forbairt Feirste	£0	£0	£0
Glór na Móna	£93,775.00	£132,766.99	£152,130.00
Ionad na Fuiseoige	£57,450.00	£73,441.27	£66,250.00

The figures above reflect the full amount each organisation received. The Northern Ireland Executive provides 25% of the funding to Foras na Gaeilge with the balance being provided by the Irish Government under the agreed funding arrangements for the North South Language Body. Foras na Gaeilge's financial year runs from January to December.

DfC Business Areas

	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
An Droichead	£71,170.04	£126,079.47	£63,133.20
Cumann Cultúrtha Mhic Reachtain	£23,200.00	£8,832.00	£0
Ionad Uíbh Eachach	£257,515.74	£115,938.72	£0
Forbairt Feirste	£129,999.96	£133,789.60	£145,211.96
Glór na Móna	£0	£48,240.00	£30,752.50
Ionad na Fuisseoige	£42,594.62	£27,835.31	£36,757.73

Over 90% of funding provided directly by DfC related to either employment support, or community development activities; with the balance supporting language, arts or cultural development programmes.

DfC Arm's Length Bodies other than Foras na Gaeilge

	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
An Droichead	£0	£0	£0
Cumann Cultúrtha Mhic Reachtain	£35,933.68	£2,981.00	£13,531.18
Ionad Uíbh Eachach	£0	£0	£0
Forbairt Feirste	£0	£0	£0
Glór na Móna	£0	£10,000.00	£0

Ionad na Fuisioige	£0	£0	£0
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Funding was provided by the Arts Council and the Northern Ireland Housing Executive.