

From: The Minister

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Dear Cathy,

AQW 44173/22-27 – Number of applications submitted for the £200,000 funding for the National Churches Trust via the Historic Environment Fund and the number of successful applications, broken down by constituency.

You recently submitted an Assembly Written Question AQW 44173/22-27 which included a request for the number of applications submitted for the £200,000 funding for the National Churches Trust via the Historic Environment Fund and the number of successful applications, broken down by constituency.

As outlined in my response, due to the large amount of detail required to provide a thorough answer to this section, I have arranged for a table summarising this information to be placed in the Assembly Library.

Yours sincerely,



Gordon Lyons MLA

Minister for Communities

Number of applications to their Large Grant Programme considered by the National Churches Trust in respect of the £200,000 funding from the DfC Historic Environment Fund broken down by constituency*

Scheme	Church	Constituency
March 2026 Applications (6)	St Catherine's Dominican Church	Newry and Armagh
	Termonamongan Parish Church	West Tyrone
	Ballymena Congregational Church	North Antrim
	Mount Merrion Parish Church	Belfast East
	Bloomfield Presbyterian Church	Belfast East
	Whiteabbey Presbyterian Church	East Antrim

Scheme	Church	Constituency
November 2025 Applications (5)	Finvoy Parish Church	North Antrim
	St Columba's Presbyterian Church	Lagan Valley
	Abbey Life Church	South Antrim
	Lislooney Presbyterian Church	Newry and Armagh
	Seymour Street Methodist Church	Lagan Valley

Number of successful applications for the £200,000 funding for National Churches Trust via the Historic Environment Fund broken down by constituency

Scheme	Church	Constituency
Historic Environment Fund 2025/26 Regeneration Stream - National Churches Trust 2026 (4)	Bloomfield Presbyterian Church, Belfast	Belfast East
	Seymour Street Methodist Church, Lisburn	Lagan Valley
	Mount Merrion Parish Church, Belfast	Belfast East
	Whiteabbey Presbyterian Church, Whiteabbey	East Antrim

*Nb. Data provided to DfC by the National Churches Trust