



Ref: FOI / 1735

23 April 2018

Ms
Loughan Road
Dunamanagh
Strabane Co Tyrone

Dear Ms

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request Brandywell-Derry City Football Club

I refer to your FOI request and thank you for your forbearance in our delay. I can respond to your request as below

- 1. How much are DCFC charged for use of Brandywell Stadium and other Council facilities?**
Response: The cost of the hire of the Stadium has not been finalised. Council are in discussions with the Football Club and Land and Property Services to determine the match night fees and the annual rent. DCFC are charged £34 per grass pitch outside match nights.
- 2. How much rent have DCFC paid in the past 10 years:**
Response: £9k per annum x 10 years = £90k.
- 3. How many donations/gifts were received by DCFC from Council?**
Response: £0.00 – no gifts/donations applied over past ten years.
- 4. How much debt has been written off?**
Response: £0.00 – nothing has been written off over past ten years.
- 5. Changes made to accommodate other sports (Brandywell)?**
Response: All changes to this facility and the pitch surface have been made to accommodate a combination of sports including soccer, GAA, rugby, while a separate greyhound facility has been built to accommodate this sport.
- 6. Has rent increased following renovations?**
Response: Yes, there will be an increase in rents and fees.

7. Council contributions to other sports venues in the last 10 years?

Response: Please see the list below. In addition to this, Grant aid contributions to stadia include grant aid programmes to Institute FC comprising of 4 x £30K payments over 10 year period

Name	Location	Principle Sports	Approx. Cost	Comments
Foyle Arena	Limavady Road, Derry	Swimming, gym, Multi-sport hall	£11m	Approx £600k funding contribution from DfC
Brooke Park, Contact Sports Centre	Brooke Park, Derry	Contact sports, including judo and boxing, gym	£1m	
Upgrade to Melvin Arena pitch	Melvin, Strabane	Football and athletics	£70k	
Brandywell Stadium & Dog Track	Brandywell, Derry	Football and dog racing	£7m	Approx £1m funding contribution from TEO/SIF
St Columb's Park, Running Track – site infrastructure upgrade	Limavady Road, Derry	Football and athletics	£250k	Funded by DfC
St Columb's Park, Running Track – changing pavilion	Limavady Road, Derry	Football and athletics	£50k	
ToTH Hill GAA pitch	Corrody Road, Derry	Gaelic football	£2.24m	Just started on site. Only part funded by DCSDC
Leafair Changing Pavilion	Leafair, Derry	Soccer and Gaelic football	Included above	Just started on site. Only part funded by DCSDC

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Melvin 3G pitch	Melvine, Strabane	Soccer, rugby and Gaelic football	£1.5m	Just started on site. Only part funded by DCSDC
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NB. Does not include Standalone grass or synthetic pitches, MUGA's, Multi-purpose halls in community centres or design fees on projects yet to be built. Does not include Strabane District Council sites prior to 2015 amalgamation of Councils

- 8. Geographical areas where other investment has been made?**
Response: Areas include Drumahoe, Derry plus all those listed above
- 9. What sports were other facilities/developments designed to cater for?**
Response: Soccer, GAA, Athletics, Greyhound Racing, Judo, Wrestling, Climbing, Basketball, Volleyball, Swimming, multi-sports, Netball

If you are dissatisfied with our response you have rights of review and appeal; these rights consist of two review processes. Firstly our internal review procedure is available by contacting:

John Kelpie
Chief Executive
Derry City and Strabane District Council
98 Strand Road
Derry BT48 7NN Tel 028 71253253 or email john.kelpie@derrystrabane.com

Secondly, you can appeal directly by contacting the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
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Yours sincerely
Head of Community Development & Leisure