

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE
MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, SPORT AND CULTURE
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 2nd OCTOBER 2023
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 9th OCTOBER 2023**

Question

“Will the Minister provide details of all grants and subsidies offered by the Government, either directly or through any Arm’s Length Organisations, charities, or related organisations, to any sporting club, individual, event or activity in the last 15 years, including –

- (a) the beneficiary of the funding;
- (b) the sport they represented;
- (c) what the financial support was intended to fund;
- (d) the amount received by each beneficiary and whether it was a grant or subsidy;
- (e) the grant or subsidy application and selection process;
- (f) where applicable, a list of unsuccessful applications, the reason for rejection and the sport they represented; and

Will he further provide a list of the total number of sporting clubs, both professional and amateur, that currently make use of States of Jersey owned venues, including the sport they represent, and how much rent each pay per month to the States?”

Answer

It has not been possible to collate expenditure across all Government departments for the years requested due to the limited time available and changes in Departmental and ALO structures over the last 15 years. The table in Appendix 1 therefore identifies expenditure provided by the Department for the Economy, the former Government Sport Development Department where available and relevant ALOs since 2012. Funding is granted in line with Government priorities.

Jersey Sport was established in 2017 as an Arms Length Organisation to support the delivery of Government’s priorities for sport and physical activity. As part of this work, Jersey Sport provides grants and subsidies for sport including grants for schools, travel and volunteer workforce development ([Grants • Jersey Sport](#)) Government funding to Jersey Sport is detailed on the table in Appendix 1. Government does not hold information on the individual grants and subsidies provided by Jersey Sport.

Lottery proceeds for sport are distributed by the Jersey Community Foundation with the amount available dependant on ticket sales. The sums available for sport are below and details of grants made are available at [Grant Funding Awards | Jersey Community Foundation](#):

2021 - £247,661
2022 – £274,987
2023 - £175,987

The Government’s “[Connect Me: Connecting our Communities](#)” scheme, managed through the Customer and Local Services Department, has provided support to many sports including football, basketball, freshwater angling, touch rugby, padel and skateboarding.

There are circa 260+ sporting clubs and associations who use Government of Jersey run facilities. Some are in residence and have a lease/license and some hire the facilities on an hourly basis. The rents of those that are in situ is deemed commercially sensitive and this information sits with Jersey Property Holdings. There are 70 wide ranging sports that are undertaken within these facilities which covers the vast majority of what is played and required on the island.

Its noteworthy that within the CYPES Estate, many of the Island's schools hire out their sports facilities as well outside of curriculum time to sports clubs and associations.

If the Deputy would like a briefing on how the GoJ Sporting facilities are used then the Head of Operations for Infrastructure & Environment would be more than happy to arrange this. The Department for the Economy's Sport Sector Officer is also available to meet the Deputy and explain funding for sport in more detail.

Further information regarding the purpose and size of Government grants can be found within the published [Annual Report and Accounts](#)

Further information on the support to sport prior to the establishment of Jersey Sport can be found in the following reports:

[Fit for the Future Sport Strategy Progress Report January 2015](#)

[Fit for the Future Sport Strategy Progress Report January 2016](#)

[Fit For The Future Sport Strategy Progress Report February 2017](#)

Organisation	Sport*	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
British and Irish Lions	Rugby			£75,000 To facilitate visit									
Dance World Cup	Dance								£57,552 Event Hosting				
European Touch Rugby Champs	Touch Rugby								£5,000 Euro Touch Champs				
Jersey Agility Club	Dog Agility									£695 Overseas Marketing			
Jersey Canoe Club	Canoeing										£7,000 Kayak Symposium		
Jersey Chess Club	Chess									£4,500 Tournament		£5,000 Tournament	
Jersey Classic & Modern Trails Club	Motor sports								£1,589 International Event	£3,411 International Event			
Jersey Commonwealth Games Association	Multi Sports				£15,000 Grant	£15,000 Grant	£12,000 Support for young athletes	£12,000 Grant	£15,000 Grant	£12,000 Grant	£12,000 Travel Grant		
Jersey Cricket	Cricket								£15,000 Dev Officer	£15,000 Dev Officer	£15,000 Dev Officer	£15,000 Dev Officer	£15,000 Dev Officer
Jersey Fencing	Fencing										£3,000 Festival		
Jersey Football Association	Football							£24,490 Inc Dev Officer	£31,920 Inc Dev Officer	£43,010 Inc Dev Officer	£30,560 Inc Dev Officer	£22,130 Inc Dev Officer	£990
Jersey Hockey	Hockey					£40,000 AV Visual							
Jersey Island Games Association	Multi Sports					£40,000 Grant		£20,000 Grant	£20,000 Grant	£20,000 Grant	£20,000 Grant	£20,000 Grant	£20,000 Grant
Jersey International Motoring Festival	Motor Sports								£28,255 Festival	£57,906 Festival			
Jersey Netball Association	Netball	£10,000							Dev Officer	Dev Officer	Dev Officer		

		IOM mini games											
Jersey Race Club	Equestrian										£6,000 Facilities at Les Landes		
Jersey Squash & Racketball Association	Squash							£6,500 European Champs & Junior Tour Events					
St Helier Yacht Club	Sailing											£1,500 Tour des Ports	
Strive	Multi-sport			£5,760 Cryo unit re Lions									
Super League Triathlon	Triathlon			£300,000 Event staging		£430,000 Event staging	£150,000 Event staging	£200,000 Event staging					
Tour de Bretagne	Cycling										£70,000 Event Hosting		
JRFC/JRA/Rugby Development	Rugby							£44,000 Dev Officer & commercial sponsorship	£65,000 Dev Officer & commercial sponsorship	£93,000 Inc Dev Officer	£115,000 Inc Dev Officer	£115,400	£131,000 Inc Stand
Jersey Reds	Rugby	£370,000 Emergency payment	£50,000 Secure pro rugby	£150,000 Secure pro rugby	£250,000 Secure pro rugby	£125,000 Bridge funding & facility review inc pro rugby	£75,000 Bridge funding						
Jersey Sport	Multi-sport	£2,142,424 Core grant	£1,962,423 Core grant	£1,956,433 Core grant	£1,686,439 Core grant	£1,150,000 Core grant	£1,150,000 Core grant	£1,150,000 Core grant					

**In addition to the above sports, funding for sport-specific development officers was provided for table tennis and squash, but it has not been possible to source further information in the time available. In addition, payments made by Government to the 2015 Jersey Island Games Organising Committee was approximately £1.2 million. There may be additional sports that have received grants or subsidies from GOJ that we have not been able to identify. Best efforts have been undertaken to identify as many grants/subsidies as possible but no centralised account of such payments to sports exists. Payments to individuals cannot be included.*