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Dear Chief Executive/Finance Officer

RATES SUPPORT GRANT ALLOCATION 2025/26

1. I refer to my letter of 11 March 2025 in respect of the instalments for De-rating (DRG) and Transferred Functions (TFG) grants for the 2025/26 financial year in which I advised that details of the Rates Support Grant (RSG) budget would follow as soon as the budget was agreed.
2. The Department's budget for 2025/26 has now been agreed and as a result the RSG for 2025/26 will be £3.124m. This allocation has been considered in the context of the difficult wider budgetary position affecting the Department for the 2025/26 financial year.
3. The Minister announced the Department's initial budget allocations for 2025-26 at the Northern Ireland Assembly on 2 June 2025. The Department for Communities Budget allocations for 2025-26 are subject to an Equality Impact Assessment and a link is shown below:

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4. The RSG allocation and instalments for each council are detailed in the attached Annex. The first instalment will be paid in July 2025, and the remaining instalments will be made at the start of October 2025 and January 2026.
5. Should you need clarification about any of the figures, please contact myself on 9082 3375 (jeff.glass@communities-ni.gov.uk) or Ian Lewis on 9082 3506 (ian.lewis@communities-ni.gov.uk)

Yours faithfully

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