Subject: Freedom of Information request: Scottish Government digital support funding

The Scottish Government's Programme for Government published in September 2021 pledged to invest "£100m in digital support programmes" in the current Parliament (May 2021-May 2026).

In relation to the above, I would like to request the following information:

A breakdown of the spending to date by financial year (ie 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24).

Financial Year	Funding
2018-19	£4,067,117.32
2019-20	£6,784,640.45
2020-21	£26,297,246.69
2021-22	£33,964,488.24
2022-23	£4,561,391.14

The Scottish Government has funded two key digital support programmes in recent years: Digital Development Loan (launched in 2018) and the DigitalBoost Development Grant (initially launched in January 2021).

For each of those schemes, can you provide the following information:

· A breakdown of total funding provided to date by financial year (ie 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24).

See table below.

- · A breakdown of the average funding per successful company application by financial year (ie 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24).
- See table below.
- How many businesses have received funding to date in each financial year (ie 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24).
 See table below.

DigitalBoost Development Grant

Total Disbursed by Financial Year			
Year	Total Disbursed Grant	Average Disbursed Grant	Number of Disbursed Grants
20/21	£16,040,364.59	£8,230.05	1,949
21/22	£22,364,719.32	£7,381.10	3,030
22/23	£1,645,323.13	£7,091.91	232

Grand			5,211
Total	£40,050,407.04	£7,685.74	5,211

Digital Development Loan

Total Disbursed by Financial Year			
Year	Total Disbursed Loans	Average Disbursed Grant	Number of Disbursed Grants
18/19	£854,229.00	£40,677.57	21
19/20	£1,806,984.00	£41,067.82	44
20/21	£4,038,828.50	£57,697.55	70
21/22	£2,547,348.00	£49,948.00	51
22/23	£1,887,804.00	£55,523.65	34
23/24	£1,441,679.00	£49,713.07	29
Grand Total	£12,576,872.50	£50,509.53	249

· A breakdown of funding provided by each of Scotland's 32 local authority areas (based on the address of the company receiving funding) for each financial year (ie 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24).

See table below.

DigitalBoost Development Grant

Financial Year by Approved Date	Disburse Amount by Local Authority	Number in each Local Authority
20/21	£16,040,364.59	1949
Aberdeen City	£630,053.94	71
Aberdeenshire	£640,814.44	87

Angus	£180,272.18	30
Argyll & Bute	£235,274.26	37
Clackmannanshire	£135,426.03	21
Dumfries &		
Galloway	£276,552.08	46
Dundee City	£596,983.39	57
East Ayrshire	£296,030.76	34
East		
Dunbartonshire	£260,881.06	53
East Lothian	£303,495.48	46
East Renfrewshire	£148,272.49	26
Edinburgh, City of	£2,117,647.48	233
Falkirk	£492,833.43	49
Fife	£523,510.11	75
Glasgow City	£3,154,767.92	294
Highland	£729,958.52	108
Inverclyde	£63,524.55	11
Midlothian	£407,696.83	45
Moray	£161,529.41	28
North Ayrshire	£219,014.83	26
North Lanarkshire	£601,570.25	64
Orkney Islands	£70,553.21	15
Outer Hebrides	£64,124.41	16
Perth & Kinross	£640,307.84	73
Renfrewshire	£341,267.16	37
Scottish Borders	£475,558.66	75
Shetland Islands	£24,053.18	6
South Ayrshire	£252,074.74	41
South Lanarkshire	£934,911.44	92
Stirling	£611,216.94	83

West		
Dunbartonshire	£144,657.63	18
West Lothian	£305,529.94	52
21/22	£22,364,719.32	3030
Aberdeen City	£851,395.86	111
Aberdeenshire	£759,561.62	117
Angus	£366,043.32	55
Argyll & Bute	£452,192.59	67
Clackmannanshire	£105,238.05	17
Dumfries & Galloway	£348,880.63	53
Dundee City	£786,198.43	86
East Ayrshire	£276,201.16	35
East Dunbartonshire	£499,721.13	63
East Lothian	£369,477.96	50
East Renfrewshire	£265,411.64	37
Edinburgh, City of	£2,949,847.56	403
Falkirk	£430,618.00	65
Fife	£1,210,861.72	167
Glasgow City	£4,040,740.76	479
Highland	£1,029,742.71	178
Inverclyde	£217,976.10	23
Midlothian	£675,187.98	83
Moray	£295,637.12	50
North Ayrshire	£256,418.49	35
North Lanarkshire	£911,589.60	108
Orkney Islands	£53,937.80	15
Outer Hebrides	£144,351.63	32
Perth & Kinross	£823,966.53	132
Renfrewshire	£658,139.20	76

Scottish Borders	£593,314.21	83
Shetland Islands	£199,972.56	31
South Ayrshire	£328,677.69	48
South Lanarkshire	£1,104,657.58	142
Stirling	£482,234.18	78
West		
Dunbartonshire	£260,722.73	32
West Lothian	£615,802.78	79
22/23	£1,645,323.13	232
Aberdeen City	£100,423.77	11
Aberdeenshire	£20,628.00	5
Angus	£23,273.76	8
Argyll & Bute	£41,258.00	4
Clackmannanshire	£2,025.00	1
Dumfries &		
Galloway	£34,014.26	5
Dundee City	£39,275.45	7
East Ayrshire	£30,014.13	4
East		
Dunbartonshire	£44,611.72	8
East Lothian	£44,693.00	4
East Renfrewshire	£15,795.50	1
Edinburgh, City of	£155,222.44	23
Falkirk	£56,986.72	5
Fife	£40,873.46	7
Glasgow City	£223,255.58	38
Highland	£118,693.10	19
Midlothian	£11,149.36	3
Moray	£13,643.85	4
North Lanarkshire	£104,739.94	9
Orkney Islands	£2,715.25	1

Perth & Kinross	£63,935.20	13
Renfrewshire	£98,382.13	10
Scottish Borders	£43,102.69	6
Shetland Islands	£5,548.88	3
South Ayrshire	£76,814.89	6
South Lanarkshire	£97,503.73	8
Stirling	£65,525.98	9
West		
Dunbartonshire	£9,729.42	2
West Lothian	£61,487.92	8
Grand Total	£40,050,407.04	5211

Digital Development Loan

Financial Year by Approved Date	Disburse Amount by Local Authority	Number in each Local Authority
18/19	£854,229	21
Edinburgh, City of	£148,636	3
Fife	£50,000	1
Glasgow City	£360,000	8
North Ayrshire	£31,020	1
North Lanarkshire	£37,375	2
Perth & Kinross	£11,000	1
Renfrewshire	£60,000	2
Scottish Borders	£35,698	1
South Lanarkshire	£70,000	1
Stirling	£50,500	1
19/20	£1,806,984	44
Aberdeen City	£25,000	1
Aberdeenshire	£81,196	2

£41,844	1
£52,608	1
£50,000	1
£284,788	7
£445,709	12
£57,000	2
£144,518	3
£125,000	2
£76,740	3
£10,250	1
£45,640	1
£25,000	1
£75,000	1
£166,691	4
£100,000	1
£4,038,828.5	70
£78,280	2
£43,500	1
£52,263.5	2
£96,882	2
£97,000	2
£300,000	3
£42,880	1
£218,449	3
£623,291	13
£89,674	1
£191,453	2
£913,331	14
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Highland	£152,191	4
Midlothian	£205,374	3
Moray	£64,141	2
North Lanarkshire	£12,750	1
Orkney Islands	£12,744	1
Perth & Kinross	£84,325	3
Renfrewshire	£250,000	3
Scottish Borders	£7,500	1
Shetland Islands	£100,000	1
South Lanarkshire	£217,000	3
Stirling	£85,800	1
West Lothian	£100,000	1
21/22	£2,547,348	51
Aberdeen City	£261,678	4
Aberdeenshire	£42,125	1
Argyll & Bute	£44,830	1
Clackmannanshire	£64,074	1
Dumfries &		
Galloway	£67,597	3
Dundee City	£132,350	2
East Ayrshire	£97,541	2
Edinburgh, City of	£603,060	10
Glasgow City	£214,853	4
Highland	£12,738	1
Inverclyde	£95,551	1
Midlothian	£61,045	2
Moray	£12,876	1
North Ayrshire	£137,757	3
North Lanarkshire	£147,800	3
Outer Hebrides	£46,100	1

Perth & Kinross	£66,369	2
Scottish Borders	£12,000	1
South Ayrshire	£17,128	1
South Lanarkshire	£315,000	4
West		
Dunbartonshire	£20,000	1
West Lothian	£74,876	2
22/23	£1,887,804	34
Aberdeen City	£133,058	3
Dumfries & Galloway	£20,000	1
East Lothian	£182,078	2
East Renfrewshire	£7,664	1
Edinburgh, City of	£551,767	7
Fife	£38,616	1
Glasgow City	£113,015	3
Inverclyde	£100,000	1
Midlothian	£103,895	2
Moray	£13,500	1
North Ayrshire	£50,000	1
North Lanarkshire	£174,402	2
Perth & Kinross	£39,600	1
Scottish Borders	£123,039	4
South Ayrshire	£84,771	2
Stirling	£95,000	1
West		
Dunbartonshire	£57,399	1
23/24	£1,441,679	29
Aberdeen City	£84,592	3
Dundee City	£58,368	1
East Ayrshire	£69,600	1

Edinburgh, City of	£193,905	4
Glasgow City	£638,912	12
Midlothian	£85,776	2
North Lanarkshire	£24,890	2
Renfrewshire	£72,500	1
Stirling	£90,048	1
West		
Dunbartonshire	£23,088	1
West Lothian	£100,000	1
Grand Total	£12,576,872.5	249