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Dear Mr Burns,

Re: Dundonald International Ice Bowl – Levelling Up

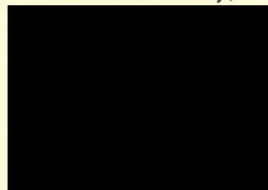
I would be most grateful if you could incorporate this correspondence with your application to the Levelling Up Fund for Dundonald International Ice Bowl (DIIB).

I have been greatly encouraged by the Councils engagement on DIIB to date and the ambitious plans you have for the development. As a facility I have used since early childhood and now in turn, share special times with my own family, the importance of DIIB to the borough but perhaps more importantly, the wider region cannot be overstated.

As the sole international standard Ice Rink on the Island of Ireland and the second highest visitor attraction in Northern Ireland, it has a unique prominence. A truly island-wide facility, you know only too well its impact on international standard figure skating and professional ice hockey; two sports which cross our historic divide.

I am immensely proud of the shared nature of the space in my constituency and know only too well that if successful, your plans would lead to an exponential increase in popularity and footfall. The opportunity presented by the Levelling Up Fund is one to be seized and I wholeheartedly endorse your application.

Yours sincerely,



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