Manchester City: Guilt, sham and shame

Manchester City have been found guilty of breaching Premier League financial rules, arranging *"sham contracts"* with commercial partners to disguise more than £830m in secret funding, the Premier League says following a lengthy investigation



Club CEO, Ferran Soriano

Soriano describes situation as "Premier League conspiracy theory" and says City will ultimately be vindicated

ARTIFICIALLY INFLATED SPONSORSHIPS

(Independent commission findings)

Actual amount paid by sponsors

Total recorded income

2010	£4.5m	**£27.0m**	***Amount paid by owners: £22.5m***
2011	£12.75m	**£28.5m**	**£41.25m**
2012	£16.0m	**£70.75m**	**£86.75m**
2013	£16.0m	**£105.75m**	**£121.75m**
2014	£16.0m	**£111.5m**	**£127.5m**
2015	£16.0m	**£107.2m**	**£123.2m**
2016	£16.0m	**£120.17m**	**£136.17m**
2017	£11.0m	**£129.59m**	**£140.59m**
2018	£11.0m	**£134.73m**	**£145.73m**
Total	**£119.25m**	***Paid by owners: £830.69m***	**£949.94m**

Sanctions will be decided at separate hearing, with Premier League vowing to protect integrity of the competition

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