## **Comhairle Contae Fhine Gall** Fingal County Council

## An Roinn um Pleanáil agus Infrastruchtúr Straitéiseach Planning and Strategic Infrastructure Department



The Secretary
An Bord Pleanála,
64 Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1
D01 V902

23<sup>rd</sup> May 2024

Reference: Notice of planning application to An Bord Pleanála under Part XAB, Section 177AE of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) and the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) for approval of the proposed development of Rathmore Park Recreational Sports Hub, Lusk, Co, Dublin.

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of Fingal County Council, County Hall, Main Street, Swords, Co. Dublin, we hereby submit a development proposal for approval under Part XAB, Section 177AE of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) and the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended)

Approval is being sought for the development of a Recreational Sports Hub which, as described in the public notices, will constitute the following:

- A new all-weather GAA training area measuring 74m x 28m with a ball-wall measuring 20 x 5m at the northern end, enclosed with a 4m high weld mesh fencing and 2no. ball stop nets 20m x 6m at the south of the training area and 1m x 20m on top of the ball wall at the northern end finishing at 6m height.
- A new All-Weather soccer pitch measuring 100m x 64m with flood lighting and All Weather 8 lane athletics running track with flood lighting, enclosed with a 1.2m high weld mesh fence finished black in colour at 1.2m from the

edge of the running track and located on a permeable tarmac footpath surrounding the track 2.7m width from the edge of the track and finished with a pin-kerb at both edges of the tarmac.

- Proposed extension to the existing car park of approximately 30no. additional spaces including disabled & EV ready parking bays. Car park to consist of asphalt road and permeable surface (grass & concrete paving or similar) to parking bays.
- A new storage container for sports equipment measuring approximately 12m x 2.4m x 2.5m located near proposed car park.
- Landscaping works including soil grading, mounding, tree planting and boundary treatments.
- Covered Bicycle parking 30 no. bicycle parking spaces to include adapted bicycles.
- A teenage space to include a half size basketball court, and hang-out zone with teen appropriate play features.
- All other ancillary Site Works including re-location of existing play equipment and new signage, footpaths, drinking fountain and electrical & drainage connections.

The total proposed site area is approximately 3.5 ha. Of this, approximately 2 ha of existing grassland will be replaced by artificial surfaces.

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and Natura Impact Statement (NIS) have been prepared in respect of the proposed development and accompany the planning application.

Please find 2no. hard copies and a digital copy of the planning application pack enclosed.

## Documents enclosed:

- 1. Summary Planning Report
- 2. Newspaper Notice
- 3. Site Location Map
- 4. Existing Site Layout
- 5. Proposed Site Layout
- 6. Proposed Development Elevations

- 7. Detail Sheet 1/2, Detail Sheet 2/2
- 8. Rendered Images 1-7
- 9. Draft Construction Environmental Management Plan
- 10. Proposed Construction Site & Surface Water Mitigation Measures Layout
- 11. Natura Impact Statement including Appropriate Assessment
- 12. Screening Report & Winter Bird Surveys
- 13. EIA Screening Report
- 14. Flood Risk Assessment & Proposed Drainage Layout
  - a. Drainage Plan
  - b. Drainage Details
  - c. Drainage Flow Results
- 15. Emails to Prescribed Bodies

Fingal County Council will make available a copy of the Natura Impact Statement, plans and particulars of the proposed development for inspection free of charge or for purchase at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy for a period of 6 weeks between Friday 24th May 2024 and Friday 5th July 2024 (inclusive of both dates) at the following locations during office hours (excluding Bank and Public Holidays):

Fingal County Council, County Hall, Main Street, Swords, Co. Dublin, K67 X8Y2. Monday-Thursday 9am to 5pm. Friday 9am to 4:30pm.

Fingal County Council Civic Offices, Grove Road. Blanchardstown, Dublin 15, D15 W638. Monday-Thursday 9am to 5pm. Friday 9am to 4:30pm.

Copies of the application have been provided to the relevant prescribed bodies as required.

Yours Sincerely,

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Parks & Green Infrastructure Division

Fingal County Council