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To: [TERESA CONWAY](#)
Subject: FW: Pettigo GAA Field Section 5 Application.
Date: 28 April 2025 14:35:12
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[fillable-section-5-declaration-of-exemption-application-form.pdf](#)
[Section 5 App.-Model.pdf](#)

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Sent: 28 April 2025 14:31
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<[REDACTED]>
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SECTION 5 APPLICATION

FOR DECLARATION ON DEVELOPMENT AND EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT

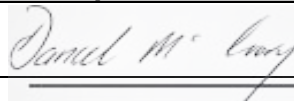
Completed application form & supporting documentation to be returned to the Planning Authority by email to planning@donegalcoco.ie

Name of Applicant(s):	Pettigo GAA Club
Agent Name: (if applicable)	Daniel Mc Crory (D.S Mc Crory)
Location of Proposed Development / Works: (Townland or postal address as appropriate and Eircode if available)	Billary, Pettigo, Co. Donegal
Description of Proposed Development including details of works (where applicable): (Only works listed below will be assessed under <u>this</u> section 5 application)	
<p>The section 5 application will be for works to the existing football pitch. The works will include a gravel pathway to the perimeter of the pitch, gravel run-off areas. Ball stop fencing to the perimeter of the pitch. Ducting and drainage underneath the pathway for drainage etc.</p>	



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Is the development a Protected Structure or within the curtilage of a Protected Structure?	Yes	No
		XXXXXX
Has a declaration under Section 57 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) been requested or issued in respect of the property.	Yes	No
		XXXXXX
Applicant(s) Interest in the site:	Leasee. Letter of permission from parish enclosed.	
If not the Owner of the site, please provide the name of the Landowner:		
Please list types of plans, drawings etc. submitted with this application:	Site layout plan with indicative section. Site location Map.	
Planning History - list any relevant planning application reference numbers:	N/A	
Are you aware of any enforcement proceedings connected to the site? If so, please supply details:	No	

I hereby certify that the information provided is true and accurate	
Signature of Applicant/Agent:	
Date:	28.04.2025



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Additional Contact Information

NOT TO BE MADE AVAILABLE WITH APPLICATION

Please note:

- 1) The applicant's address **must** be submitted on this page.

Applicant(s) Details	
Address:	
Eircode:	
Telephone No:	
Email Address:	

Agent Details (if applicable)	
Address:	
Eircode:	
Telephone No:	
Email Address:	

Landowner Details (if applicable)	
Address:	
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Email Address:	



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Advice to Applicant

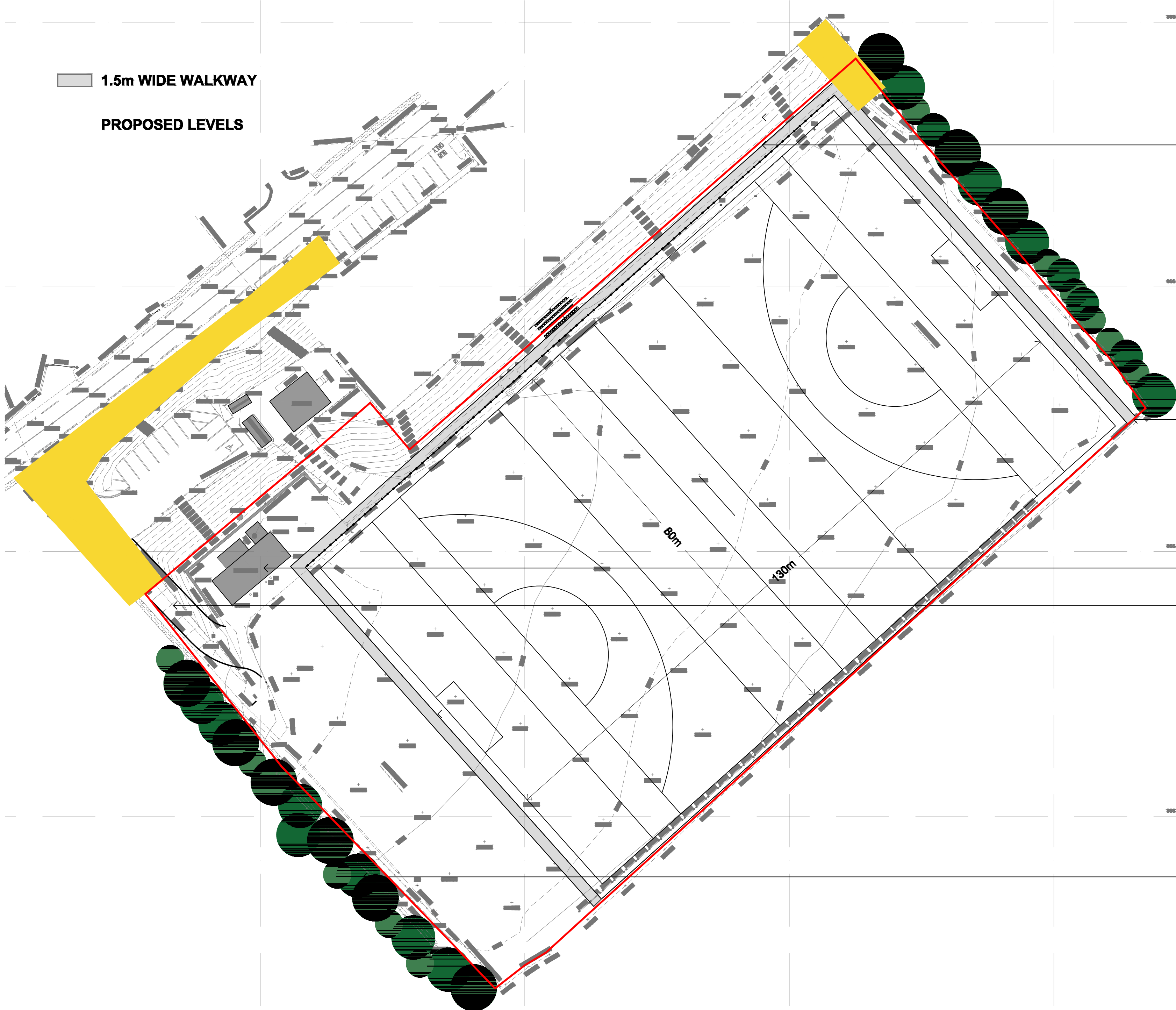
- (a) **Prescribed Fee** - €80.00 - You may wish to pay the fee by card by ringing the cash office on 074 9153900. Please note the receipt number in your cover email with the form.
- (b) Application must be accompanied by:
 - **Site location map** with site clearly outlined in red (to a scale of not less than 1:1000 in built up areas and 1:2500 in all other areas).
 - **Site layout plan** (Site or layout plans shall be drawn to a scale (which shall be indicated thereon) of not less than 1:500 or such other scale as may be agreed with the planning authority prior to the submission of the application, the site boundary shall be clearly delineated in red).
 - **Elevations** (if applicable) – (plans, elevations and sections drawn to a scale of not less than **1:200**).
 - **Other details** (e.g. landowner consent (if applicable), photographs as appropriate).
- (c) Completed application form & supporting documentation to be returned to the Planning Authority **by email** to planning@donegalcoco.ie
- (d) More information on exempted development can be found on the OPR planning leaflets available at <https://www.opr.ie/planning-leaflets/>

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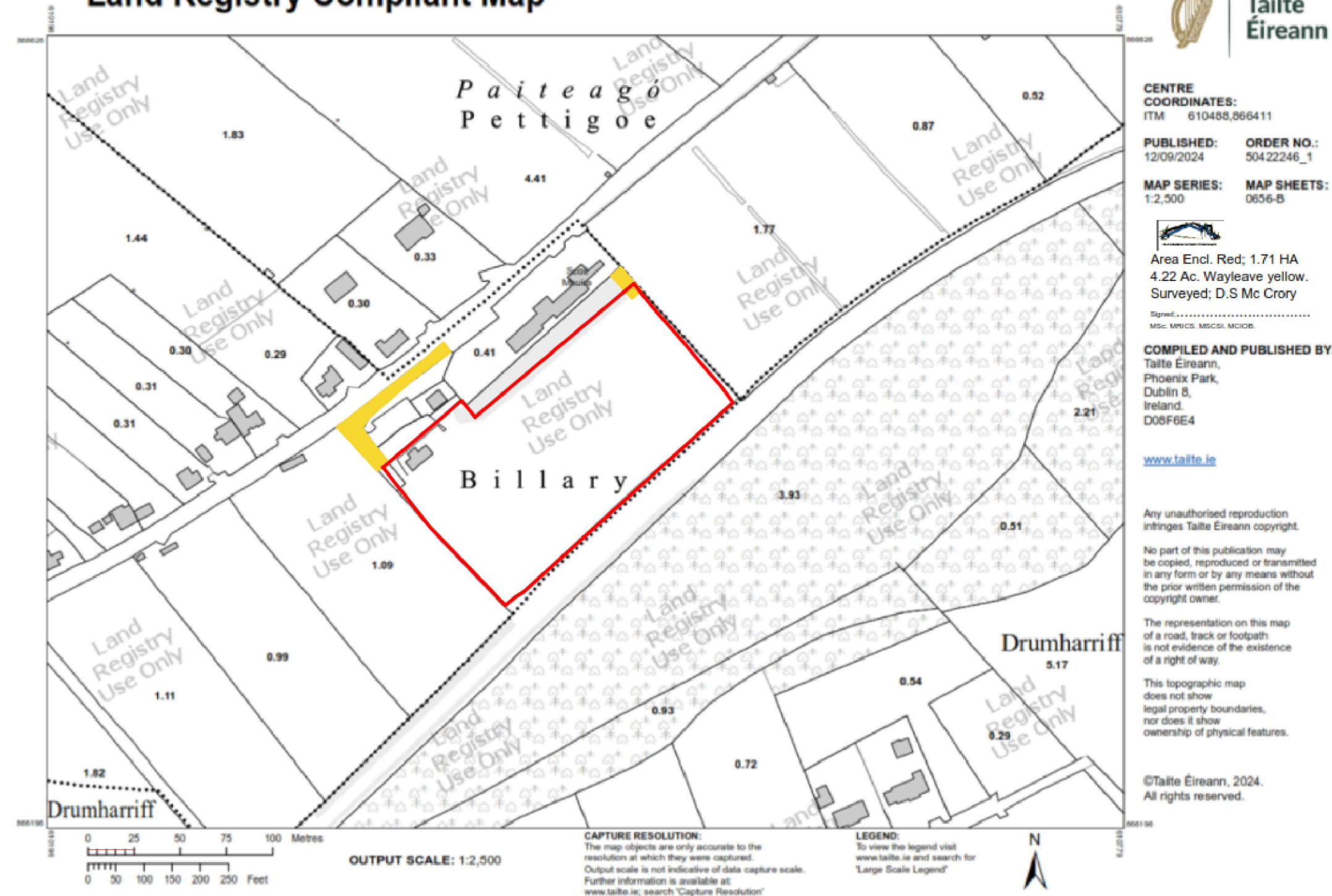
LEGEND

1.5m WIDE WALKWAY

PROPOSED LEVELS



Land Registry Compliant Map



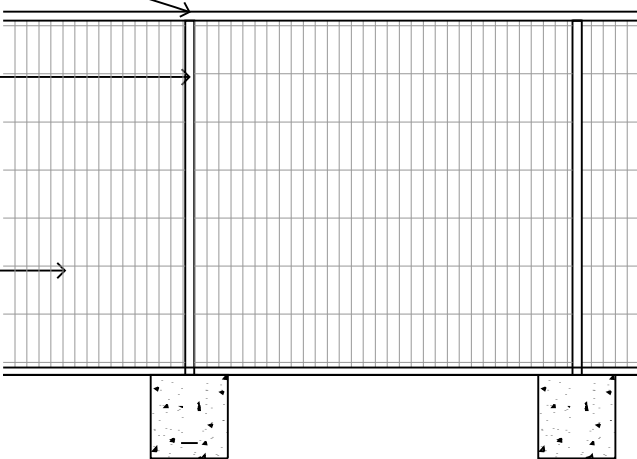
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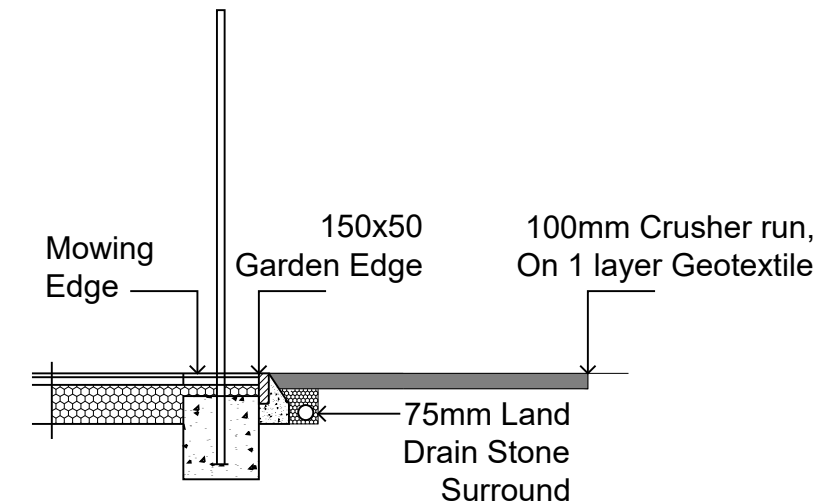
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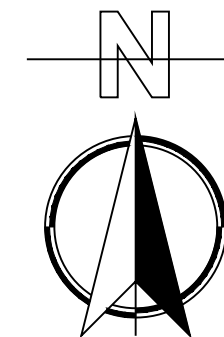
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MESH FENCING PANEL



PITCHSIDE SPECTATOR FENCE DETAIL 1:50



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NEW LOW LEVEL PATH & SPECTATOR FENCING

NEW PITCH SIDE PATH & SPECTATOR FENCING

EXISTING CLUB ROOMS

IMPROVED ACCESS ROAD

NEW PLANTED BOUNDARY

Suffix	Revision Details	Date
	DS MC CRORY <i>Building Surveyor Quantity Surveyor Architectural Designer</i>	
	<i>Glennan Larkin, Cameras, Pettigo, Co. Donegal, Tel / Fax: 011 98 61991, e-mail: dmcrcorr@bt.com.net</i>	<i>Glennan Larkin, Erne Drive, Larnau, Co. Donegal, Tel / Fax: 011 98 61991, e-mail: dmcrcorr@bt.com.net</i>
		
	Building & Quantity Surveyors-Project Managers.	
	Drawing Title: Proposed plan & Section Pitch side gravel pathway & fencing For Section 5 Application	
	Client: Pettigo GAA Club, Billary, Pettigo. Co. Donegal	
	Drawn By: Daniel Mc Crory	
	Scale: 1:500	
	Drawn Number: L/25/-001	
	Drawn Date: 28/04/2025	

From: [planning mailbox](#)
To: ["ds McCormory123@gmail.com"](mailto:ds McCormory123@gmail.com)
Subject: RE: Pettigo GAA Field Section 5 Application.
Date: 28 April 2025 15:58:00

A Chara

Can you please confirm you have paid the relevant fee of €80.00? If you have yet to pay the fee you can do so now by ringing the cash office on 074 9153900. Once the transaction has been processed note your receipt number and return the same to the planning mailbox.

Regards

Teresa

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I confirm the fees have been paid and the reference number is 664946.

Kind regards

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On Mon 28 Apr 2025, 15:58 planning mailbox, <Planning@donegalcoco.ie> wrote:

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SECTION 5 REFERRAL REPORT – Ref.No: 25/43

Donegal County Council

1.0 COMMENTS

The subject site is an existing GAA ground to the south east of Pettigo village and adjacent to the national school. It includes a playing pitch, clubhouse and associated facilities and is within the designated settlement boundaries.

The proposed works are as follows:

1. The construction of a gravel path around the perimeter of the pitch
2. Spectator fencing around the perimeter of the pitch with associated drainage works

The existing complex is not on the Council's Record of Protected Structures nor is it included on the National Inventory of Architectural Heritage. The entire site is located within the settlement boundary of Pettigo and is of moderate scenic amenity in the County Development Plan 2024-2030.

2.0 EVALUATION

In preparing the assessment for this reference, regard has been had to the following statutory provisions:

3.0 Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended)

Section 2(1)

In this Act, except where the context otherwise requires –

"**structure**" means any building, structure, excavation, or other thing constructed or made on, in or under any land, or any part of a structure so defined, and

- (a) where the context so admits, includes the land on, in or under which the structure is situate ...

"**works**" includes any act or operation of construction, excavation, demolition, extension, alteration, repair or renewal ...

Section 3(1)

"**Development**" in this Act means, except where the context otherwise requires, the carrying out of any works on, in, over or under land or the making of any material change in the use of any structures or other land.

Section 177U(9)

"In deciding upon a declaration for the purposes of Section 5 of this Act a planning authority or the Board, as the case may be, shall where appropriate, conduct screening for appropriate assessment in accordance with the provisions of this section".

Section 4 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)

‘(1) The following shall be exempted developments for the purposes of this Act

—

- (h) development consisting of the carrying out of works for the maintenance, improvement or other alteration of any structure, being works which affect only the interior of the structure or which do not materially affect the external appearance of the structure so as to render the appearance inconsistent with the character of the structure or of neighbouring structures.’

4.0 ASSESSMENT

4.1 Consideration of Proposed Development:

- (i) The area of ground is within an existing GAA facility and is in use for spectators watching matches.

- (ii) It is proposed to construct a gravel pathway to facilitate recreational use of the existing facility and improve facilities for spectators.
- (iii) The proposed fencing is of a standard mesh type and is 2.4m high and is in accordance with necessary safety standards for players and spectators.
- (iv) It is considered that the proposed works noted above constitute “development” within the meaning of the Act, being works, but is exempted development coming within the scope of Section 4 (h) of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) .
- (v) Appropriate assessment is not a consideration in the assessment of this referral.

4.2 Conclusion:

It is considered that:

Construction of a gravel pathway and spectator fencing around the perimeter of a playing pitch constitutes “development” within the meaning of the Act, being works, but is exempted development under the scope of Section 4 (h) of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended).

It should also be noted that in determining the subject section 5 referral regard was had to recent Section 5 referrals to An Bord Pleanala for determination.

5.0 RECOMMENDATION

IT IS HEREBY RECOMMENDED THAT A DECLARATION BE MADE THAT THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE REQUEST AS ABOVE -

IS Development

&

IS Exempted Development

WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ABOVE ACT

The proposal to:

Construct a gravel pathway and spectator fencing around the perimeter of a playing pitch within the existing GAA facility

The Planning Authority, in considering this referral, had regard particularly to:

(a) Section 2 (i), 3 (i), 177U (9) and

(b) Section 4 (1) (h) of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended).

And concluded that:

The proposal is development and is exempted development coming within the scope of Section 4 (1) (h) of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended).

A. Quinn

Executive Planner
Development Applications Unit
12/05/2025.

Chief Executive's Order No: 2025PH1293

Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended)

SECTION 5:-

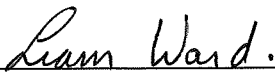
Request received 28th April 2025 from Pettigo GAA Club, C/o Daniel McCrory, Glenmore Lodge, Carntresy, Pettigo, Co. Donegal, F94 D5P9 in relation to the construction of a gravel pathway around the perimeter of the existing pitch, gravel run-off areas, ball stop fencing around perimeter of the pitch and all associated ducting and drainage at Pettigo GAA Club, Billary, Pettigo, Co. Donegal.

SUBMITTED:-

Written request received 28th April 2025 as above and report dated 12th May 2025 from the Executive Planner (Ref. No: S5 25/43 refers).

ORDER:-

Having considered the said request, the report of the Executive Planner, and the record forwarded to the Council by An Bord Pleanála in compliance with Sub-Section 6(c) of the said Section I have concluded that a declaration on the questions in the said request should be made in the terms of that in the Schedule to this Order, the main reasons and considerations therefore being detailed therein. I therefore Order that the declaration issue to the said requester and the owners/occupiers of the land concerned and, further, that it be entered in the Council's Planning Register in compliance with Sub-Section (5) of the said Section.



Director of Service

DATED THIS 12th DAY OF MAY 2025

MME

Chief Executive's Order No: 2025PH1293

Ref.No: S5 25/43

SCHEDULE

IT IS HEREBY DECLARED THAT THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE REQUEST AS ABOVE

IS Development

IS Exempted Development

WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ABOVE ACT

The Planning Authority in considering this referral, had regard particularly to:

- Section 2 (i), 3 (i), 177U (9) and
- Section 4 (1) (h) of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended).

And concluded that:

The proposal **IS DEVELOPMENT** within the meaning of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and **IS EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT** as it falls within the scope of Section 4 (1) (h) of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended).

Planning and Development Acts, 2000 (as amended)
(Declaration and Referral on Development and Exempted Development)

DECLARATION

Chief Executive's Order No: 2025PH1293

Reference No: S5 25/43

Name of Requester: Pettigo GAA Club,
C/o Daniel McCrory,
Glenmore Lodge,
Carntressy,
Pettigo,
Co. Donegal,
F94 D5P9

Summarised Description of development the subject matter of request:

Construction of a gravel pathway around the perimeter of the existing pitch, gravel run-off areas, ball stop fencing around perimeter of the pitch and all associated ducting and drainage

Location: Pettigo GAA Club, Billary, Pettigo, Co. Donegal.

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For Director of Service
Planning Services

Dated this 12th day of May 2025



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Ref. No: S525/43

12th May 2025

Pettigo GAA Club,
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F94 D5P9

Re: Construction of a gravel pathway around the perimeter of the existing pitch, gravel run-off areas, ball stop fencing around perimeter of the pitch and all associated ducting and drainage at Pettigo GAA Club, Billary, Pettigo, Co. Donegal.

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A Chara,

I refer to your request received on 28th April 2025 under Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended). Same has now been decided and I now issue to you herewith the Council's Declaration thereon. You are now advised that, in accordance with Section 5 (3) (a) of the Planning & Development Act, 2000 (as amended) where a Declaration is issued, any person issued with such a Declaration may, on payment to An Bord Pleanála of such fee as may be prescribed, refer a Declaration for review by the Board within 4 weeks of the date of issuing of the Declaration.

Mise, le meas,

**For Director of Service
Planning Services**
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