



Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2018

Planning Authority: Mayo County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 17/703

Appeal by Sean Duffy Community Centre care of Simon Beale and Associates of The Old School House, Casement Street, Ballina, County Mayo against the decision made on the 12th day of July, 2018 by Mayo County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council.

Proposed Development: Construction of a new astro turf (MUGA) all-weather pitch together with two number goalposts, construction of two number nine metres wide by five metres high "hurling wall" complete with buttress supports as necessary and one metre high ball stop netting above (total height = six metres), provision of 2.50 metres high wire mesh security fence incorporating access gates with 3.5 metres high ball stop netting and associated support poles above fence (total height = six metres) to perimeter of proposed new astro turf (MUGA) pitch, provision of four number 12 metres high octagonal galvanised steel floodlight columns, each complete with three number LED floodlight luminaires, all the above to include all ancillary site development works at Abbeyhalfquarter, Ballina, County Mayo. Further public notices were received by the planning authority on the 18th day of June, 2018.

Decision

Having regard to the nature of the condition the subject of the appeal, the Board is satisfied that the determination by the Board of the relevant application as if it had been made to it in the first instance would not be warranted and, based on the reasons and considerations set out below, directs the said Council under subsection (1) of section 139 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 to REMOVE condition number 7 and the reason therefor.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

- (a) the provisions of the Ballina and Environs Development Plan 2009-2015 (as extended),
- (b) the existing pattern of development in the area, and
- (c) the nature and scale of the proposed development,

the Board considered that the limitation of the use of the Multi Use Games Area pitch and hurling wall to community centre and Gaelic Athletic Association members only, as set out in condition number 7, was not warranted or in the interest of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Matters Considered

In making its decision, the Board had regard to those matters to which, by virtue of the Planning and Development Acts and Regulations made thereunder, it was required to have regard. Such matters included any submissions and observations received by it in accordance with statutory provisions.

Dave Walsh

**Member of An Bord Pleanála
duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.**

Dated this day of 2018.