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**Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022**

**Planning Authority: Galway County Council**

**Planning Register Reference Number: 211109**

**APPEAL** by Oughterard Sports and Recreational Partnership care of Suca Civil and Structural Engineers of “The Cottage”, Gortacarmaun, Rosscahill, County Galway against the decision made on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021 by Galway County Council to refuse permission.

**Proposed Development:** Provision of new grass multi sport playing pitch, grass amenity areas, lighting 275 Lux to new pitch and lighting 261 Lux to existing rugby pitch, advertising boards, goal posts and ball stop nets to all pitches, 3 multi purpose hard surface ball courts, astro amenity area with fencing, car parking 58 spaces and bus parking, Facilities Building including meeting rooms, toilets, showers, administration and ancillary facilities 591sqm with on site sewerage treatment plant and sand polishing filter, widening of existing entrance and provision of internal access road, rainwater harvesting storage and all associated site works, gross floor space of proposed works – 591 square metres; all at Oughterard, County Galway.

## Decision

**REFUSE permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the reasons and considerations set out below.**

## Reasons and Considerations

The proposed development would negatively impact on the free flow of traffic on the L-5334 local road by reason of the volume and type of traffic generated by the development and the narrow carriageway width of the L-5334 local road. The proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard and obstruction of road users or otherwise and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

In deciding not to accept the Inspector's recommendation to grant permission, the Board concurred with the planning authority that the nature of the use would endanger public safety by reason of a traffic hazard by reason of the distance of the site from Oughterard on a narrow road, and the uncertainty regarding the provision of passing bays.

  


**Mary Henchy**

**Member of An Bord Pleanála**

**duly authorised to authenticate  
the seal of the Board.**

**Dated this 25 day of Oct 2023.**