

## RUGBY SHORTS

## Tigers bid for a boss to cut the Gustard

LEICESTER have made an audacious bid to bring in Harlequins boss Paul Gustard as director of rugby with Geordan Murphy keeping a coaching role. Murphy has struggled as interim head coach since Matt O'Connor was sacked and it has been reported that Tigers are keen to install former player Gustard (who left as England defence coach to take over Harlequins last season) as director of rugby, apparently telling Quins they can 'name their price' if they agree to the move in time for next season. It is understood that Murphy would revert to his previous role as assistant coach.

BATH have defended their health and safety position in the wake of the 'flag-gate' controversy when they banned Leinster supporters from bringing their flags into The Rec for last weekend's Champions Cup clash. The English club said yesterday they 'cannot and will not' ignore flag safety guidelines but said their 'Elf and safety' team will help collect flags after Saturday's rematch in Lansdowne Road and donate any money raised from their recycling and additional financial collections to the Temple Street Children's Hospital and Bath's Royal United hospital.

# IN A POSITION TO

## Munster out-half can take inspiration from Conway redemption

SO, what is the pecking order of Ireland out-halves as we near the end of 2018? Johnny Sexton is out in front, clearly, with Joey Carbery the designated No2 and Ross Byrne graduating to third-choice (although Byrne may well leapfrog Carbery as replacement starter should anything befall Sexton).

After that, it is less clear. We know Ian Madigan, understudy at the last World Cup, is out of the equation — not through lack of ability but because he is playing in Bristol beyond the careful management of the Irish system.

Billy Burns is Irish qualified and progressing nicely at Ulster, Jack Carty is having his best season with Connacht and residency-qualified Kiwi Tyler Bleyendaal is finally fit again but playing centre for Munster.

Which brings us to JJ Hanrahan, the man who is keeping Bleyendaal out of the out-half slot when Carbery has been unavailable for Johann van Graan's side.

When Carbery was ruled out before kick-off last weekend against Castres at Thomond Park, Hanrahan donned the No10 jersey for his first European Cup start at 10 in 22 appearances for Munster and produced his most significant performance.

It was, by any standards, a pig of a game. Castres went into rope-adop mode, kicking away the majority of their possession or relying on an 'attacking' game based around close-in, ruck-adjacent carries.

The French were, however, aggres-



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sive in defence throughout a niggly, fractious affair and it made for a tricky game to negotiate before a muted lunchtime crowd in Limerick.

The fact Hanrahan embraced the role of chief negotiator so successfully — a 20-point individual haul and man-of-the-match award — was extremely encouraging for player and province.

The hope now is that it turns out to be a watershed display in a career which has never properly taken off.

With the obvious exception of Ronan O'Gara, Munster's record of producing high quality, homegrown out-halves could be charitably described as hit and miss.

There have been prodigious talents like Nicky Barry, Jeremy Staunton and Barry Everitt who failed to kick on and, O'Gara aside, you have to go back to the likes of Ralph Keyes, Barry McGann and Mick English to find Munster-reared 10s who made an impact with Ireland.

It is that unfulfilling history that fuelled the excitement when Hanrahan started to garner attention in underage rugby nearly 10 years ago.

The Tralee man played his early rugby with Castleisland and then began ripping it up with Rockwell College which led to an impressive stint with the Ireland Under 20s and his nomination for Junior Player of the Year award in 2012.

**20**  
JJ Hanrahan hit 20 points in Munster's 30-5 Champions Cup win over Castres



Only way is up: Munster's JJ Hanrahan celebrates his try against Castres

A Munster contract followed and Hanrahan became a mainstay of the southern province's A side, while impressing in patches with the senior team.

Although the two players very different in style, O'Gara was impressed by Hanrahan's skillset and potential and tipped the youngster for big things — 'He has the capability to be really special,' said the veteran, 'there are good years ahead for JJ if he progresses.'

Unfortunately, he didn't.

When O'Gara eventually left the stage in 2013, Hanrahan was not seen as the answer and the player Munster turned to, Ian Keatley, arrived via Suttonians, Belvedere, Clontarf and Connacht. When Kiwi Tyler Bleyendaal was brought in for the 2014-15 season, it was a clear sign of where he stood and Hanrahan took the brave decision to join Northampton.

It was a positive move to further

his career by seeking out game time but Hanrahan's spell at Franklin's Gardens was a frustrating one — injury and Steven Myler the main obstacles as he failed to establish himself over two seasons.

His return to Munster at the start of last season offered the opportunity of a fresh start but again it was back to bit-part mode that included appearances at full-back and centre as the dream of being Munster's go-to 10 seemed further away than ever.

That seemed to be the case following Joey Carbery's much-trumpeted switch south from Leinster for this season, with Hanrahan largely forgotten amid the waves of excitement surrounding the new arrival. His cause was not helped by some early season howlers — notably a fumble away to Glasgow in September — and up until last Saturday, Hanrahan's career highlight remained the match-winning try he

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### PLANNING APPLICATIONS

**AN BORD PLEANÁLA**  
Notice of Environmental Impact Assessment Report  
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council  
Planning Register Reference Number: D17A/0950  
Appeal Reference Number: ABP-3007 45-18

An appeal has been made to An Bord Pleanála against the decision made on the 19th day of December, 2017 by Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council bearing the above planning reference number which decision was to grant permission with conditions to IMRF II Frascati Limited Partnership acting through its general partner Davy IMRF II GP Limited for development at Frascati Shopping Centre, Frascati Road, Blackrock, Co. Dublin.

The application to the planning authority, received on the 25th October 2017, was described as an application for permission for a residential development of 45 no. apartment units over 3 no. storeys, from second to fourth floor level, over the permitted ground and first floor levels of retail/restaurant floorspace and permitted lower ground floor car park. The proposal will be an extension of the Rejuvenation Scheme permitted

under Reg. Ref: D14A/0134, as amended by Reg. Ref: D16A/02365/ABP Ref: PL06D.246810, Reg. Ref: D16A/0798, Reg. Ref: D16A/0843 and Reg. Ref: D17A/0599. The proposed apartment mix consists of 3 no. 1 bed units, 36 no. 2 bed units and 6 no. 3 bed units. Balconies are provided for the residential apartments on the north eastern, north western, south eastern and south western elevations. Access to the residential units will be provided via a stair and lift core from lower ground and ground floor level. 51 no. car parking spaces within the lower ground floor car park will be allocated to the residential units. The development includes 54 no. bicycle parking spaces for the apartments, located at lower ground floor level and proposed first floor level podium car park. The development also includes a bin store and plant area at lower ground level, two communal terrace areas at second floor level and roof level and plant enclosures at roof level. The development includes an associated reduction to the permitted footprint of the lower ground floor level. The proposal will result in the omission of the second floor level restaurant unit and storage floorspace permitted under the Rejuvenation Scheme. The proposal includes a first floor level podium car park, over the permitted podium car park, located at the north west of the site, which will provide 81 no. car parking spaces.

The total car parking provision for the scheme as amended by this permission will be 604 no. spaces, which comprises of 51 no. spaces for the proposed residential units and 553 no. spaces for the permitted retail and restaurant floorspace. It is considered that an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) is required because the development results in an increase in size greater than 25% of the development already authorised and being executed on the site under D14A/0134 at Frascati Shopping Centre, Frascati Road, Blackrock, Co. Dublin.

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) is to be submitted by the applicant following a request by An Bord Pleanála. The application and Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy during office hours at the offices of An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1. The application and Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) may also be inspected at the offices of Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council, County Hall, Marine Road, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin. This notice is being published at the request of An Bord Pleanála. Any persons may make written submissions or observations to the Board in relation to the application and

EIAR within five weeks beginning on the date of publication of this notice. Having regard to the provisions of Section 251 of the Planning and Development Act 2000-2018 relating to the holiday period between the 24th December and 1st January, both days inclusive, shall be disregarded. Any such submissions or observations must be accompanied by the statutory fee of €50, unless the submissions or observations are made by certain prescribed bodies or existing participants, and should be addressed to The Secretary, An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1. Date of Publication 13/12/2018

**FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL**  
We, Declan and Margaret Lowney intend to apply for permission and retention permission for development at 103 Ard Na Mara, Malahide, Co. Dublin, K36 XC66. The development consists of: A.) A proposed new dormer window and increasing the size of the existing pitched roof. B.) A single storey extension to the rear of the existing dwelling. D.) Retention permission for externally insulating and rendering to the existing east brick facade. E.) Widening of the vehicular entrance, together with associated landscaping and site works. The Planning Application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost

of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority during the public opening hours and a submission or observation may be made to the Planning Authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

**DÚN LAOGHAIRE-RATHDOWN COUNTY COUNCIL**  
We, Karl O'Connell, Marcus O'Connell & Paul Lowry intend to apply for retention planning permission for works to existing office building all at third floor level to include: timber and glazed external screen wall fronting onto the existing main including associated additional office floor area (6m2); new roof over existing enclosed plant area to the rear including associated internal alterations all at the site known as Suite 34, Block H, The Mall, Beacon Court, Sandyford, Dublin 18. The planning application may be inspected or purchased for a fee not exceeding a reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority, Manne Road, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, during its public opening hours of Monday to Friday from 10:00am to 4:00pm. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority, on payment of a fee of

€20 within 5 weeks of receipt of the application by the Planning Authority and such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions or may refuse to grant permission.

**DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL:**  
We Versus Ltd. (In Receivership), Abbono Ltd. (In Receivership), Beckett Properties Ltd. (In Receivership) & Candourity Ltd. (In Receivership) (each acting by the Receiver Mark Fieynolds), Savills, 33 Molesworth Street, Dublin 2, intend to apply for Planning Permission: for development at a site of 1.056 ha known as The former Boland's Mill incorporating 33 & 34 Barrow Street together with 35A Barrow Street & 35 Barrow Street (Car Park) at Ringsend Road and Barrow Street, Dublin 4, bounded to the north by Ringsend Rd., to the south by adjacent office development (Mason Hayes Curran ("South Bank House") and the Warehouse), to the east by Barrow Street and to the west by Grand Canal Dock. The application relates to a proposed development within a Strategic Development Zone Planning Scheme area. The site accommodates 4 protected structures including; Block B referred to as 1 Ringsend Road (RPS 7377);

Block D comprising nos 33 and 34 Barrow Street (RPS 483, 484); two-storey brick gables of warehouses to south of Boland's Mill (the 'factory building') (RPS 485).

The proposed development seeks amendments to Block C previously permitted under Reg. Ref. DSDZ3796/14 and as amended by Reg. Ref. DSDZ3264/17. The proposed amendments comprise of the following:

- Provision of combined flue and services penetrations terminated with cowls at roof level;
- Provision of AOV smoke ventilation panels at roof level;
- Provision of PV solar panels at roof level;
- Provision of additional patress plates on all elevations to support the building;
- Omission of mezzanine level to serve the residential units at 5th floor level to provide for attic space and a plant room.

The planning application may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of Dublin City Council during its public opening hours and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.