

Dungannon Swifts FC

Mid Ulster District Council

Capital Discretionary Grants

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Dungannon Swifts FC

The Premier Soccer Club in Tyrone

Stangmore Hub for Community



Club Background

- Long established club, Dungannon Swifts FC was formed in **1949**.
- The club are a constituted sporting and community-based organisation.
- NIFL Premiership Club (top tier NI football pyramid)

OUR VISION

To establish Dungannon Swifts Football Club as a leading Football Club in Northern Ireland through providing an environment in which young people can realise their full potential as Footballers. As such, we aim to make Dungannon Swifts Football Club a model of best practice in Football development.

So that Dungannon Swifts FC realises its vision, the Club has several objectives to:

- provide a **pathway** which encourages long-term player **development** for players of all ages
- provide **opportunities for children and young people** to enjoy football **participation** within a structured programme
- provide a **positive coaching experience** for all young players through the provision of **quality coaching** and development programmes of young players
- develop **effective partnerships** in the **local community** to support player development among young players Dungannon Swifts Football Club in the provision of its Development Programme.



Football..... the glue that binds us together

"Football clubs are constituent parts of our communities. There is such a thing as society and the beautiful game is a vital part of what makes it up."

We discovered during lockdown that we need our regular meeting points, our communities, our places to gather. Those institutions are the glue that binds us together."

Gary Neville (2022)





No standing still, keep pushing forward.

Prestigious Harry Cavan Youth Cup winners 2022

Dungannon Swifts FC

Dungannon Swifts FC - VALUES

RESPECT: respecting our stakeholders, partners and young people in everything we do

INTEGRITY: operating with honesty and transparency in undertaking our work

EXCELLENCE: commitment to quality and focus in all aspects of our programme

PARTNERSHIP: commitment to building two-way partnerships with all our stakeholders

COMMUNITY ASSET

Dungannon Swifts Football Club and the facilities at Stangmore Park add value to the wider community.

We seek to create community development structure and to build resources that will enable the greater wellbeing and social inclusion for the people and groups of Dungannon and Mid Ulster District Council area.

We do so through community engagement in recreational activities such as sport, recreation, community development, wellbeing, active citizenship and leisure time.





Dungannon Swifts Football Club Chairman Keith Boyd said:

Flagship Football Facility Ambition

“The 3G pitch project has the potential to be a flagship facility for sports in the Western region and beyond. Dungannon Swifts is at the heart of the community and the club are committed to improve our home ground at Stangmore Park to include state-of-the-art training and match facilities that will not only benefit our club but the wider sporting community across the district. This will allow our club to further expand its activities, which, in turn, will allow even more young people to participate in sport. The club and its facilities are vital to Dungannon (the wider District) and its relationship with football/sport.”

OVERALL PROJECT DETAIL



- To **improve the football and community facility** sited at Dungannon Swifts Football Club at **Stangmore Park**, Dungannon.
- This Sports Capital Works Scheme, specifically, upgrading and improving existing structures to supply and install a **FIFA standard full size 3G pitch**
- improvement to the existing grass surface to become 3G surface will **increase our capacity** as a club to deliver **more sports opportunities** and **create a safe facility** for people of the to use for multiple sporting activity, principally football activities.
- The proposed project will create better sports facility to strengthen operating capacity of the club to **increase sports participation in the Mid Ulster District Council** area.
- **STRATEGIC FIT:** will support and maintain the capital infrastructure of the Dungannon Swifts Football Club facility and will align with the Irish FA strategic direction, **local Council Sport Facility Strategy**, and other government policy such as Sport NI and the Department for Communities.



Our vision is to build and sustain Dungannon Swifts and Stangmore Park in its important position within the District as a home of football, recreational, community and volunteering opportunity.

Project Vision

It is the clubs aim to generate wider community benefit through football, sport and non-sport activities, particularly in the areas of health and wellbeing, education skills and employment, social inclusion and volunteering by creating a sustainable model for delivery of new sporting and community facilities at Stangmore Park.

The proposed improvements aims to deliver benefits for the local community, schools, sports clubs and charities across the District and wider region.

This project will enable us to offer:

- ✓ Improve facilities for Dungannon Swifts FC teams at all levels.
- ✓ Enabling other soccer clubs and sports clubs to use the facilities for their specific activities to help meet their needs e.g., Newmills FC, Mid Ulster Ladies.
- ✓ facility to host UEFA, International Representative and domestic show piece games (visitors to the area)
- ✓ Enhancement of community and sporting facilities in Dungannon and the wider region.
- ✓ Potential for school usage and schools programme development.
- ✓ Local charities and community groups offered space for activities.
- ✓ A venue to host local, regional and international events.
- ✓ Revenue created (not for profit) to be invested in volunteers, community programmes and the sustainability of facilities at Stangmore Park.



PROJECT AIMS

- Construct **FIFA standard 3G pitch** to improve Football and Sports facility sited at Stangmore Park, Dungannon.
- improve the **health and wellbeing** of local people, including males/females, youth, older people and those in a rurally isolated area of the Mid Ulster area.
- enhance the **health and wellness benefits** of the local population through sports and first-rate facilities
- enhance **personal development** through sport by growing discipline, motivation and self confidence
- **improve accessibility to safe/secure sports facilities** in Mid Ulster District Council area for local community
- project will increase the **capacity of club** facilities to act as a **community hub** for sporting, charitable and wider community activity, ultimately adding value to the sporting, **social and community responsibility** of the club.



Mid Ulster District Council (MUDC)

Corporate Plan 2020 - 2024

The Stangmore 3G project will complement and help deliver across Mid Ulster District Council policy:

- **ECONOMIC GROWTH** (fitter and more active people are better equipped for the workplace and sustainable employment) The facility will help businesses do well and bring jobs to Mid Ulster through sports, recreation and community.
- **INFRASTRUCTURE** (Sporting, recreational and Community Infrastructure strengthened in the District Council). The 3G pitch will make the basic systems and services that Mid Ulster uses better in terms of capacity and physical sporting and community shared space.
- **EDUCATION AND SKILLS** (pitch users, volunteers and wider public will enhance skills and education through programming at the new 3G) The 3G will help people learn more and have the best chance in life through sport.
- **HEALTH AND WELL-BEING** (Stangmore 3G pitch will deliver health and wellness opportunities through participation in sport and community cohesion). The 3G will help people live longer, healthier and more active lives through accessible and regular sports / recreational participation.
- **VIBRANT AND SAFE COMMUNITIES** (connected, happy and active communities using the 3G pitch) Sports is proven to enhance how the community feel safer and stronger.

The project will support the delivery of the **Mid Ulster (MUDC) Sports Facility Strategy**

The Stangmore Park 3G project aligns with the Strategy vision ‘Development of an evidence-based assessment of facility need, which will inform and prioritise future INVESTMENT IN, AND DEVELOPMENT OF, A NETWORK OF HIGH QUALITY SPORTS FACILITIES, ADDRESSING THE NEEDS FOR INCREASED COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN MID ULSTER’.

The Stangmore Park 3G project particularly aligns with the **Sports Facilities Strategy recommendation 3**: A ***programme of pitch investment** is developed based on MUDC, clubs and the Mid Ulster League, GAA, soccer and rugby, working together. This programme should prioritise 3G pitch provision on education sites where community use can be developed.*



Project Finance

ITEM OR ACTIVITY	TOTAL COST
Excavate existing topsoil from proposed area (100m) and deposit in stockpile. Take off site.	£3,000
Excavate subsoil from proposed area and deposit in stockpile. Take off site.	£3,000
Grade subsoil base to required gradients.	£2,600
Excavate for and lay new 150mm twin wall main drain.	£2,100
Excavate for and lay new 80mm lateral drains at 5m centres.	£16,200
Construction of inspection pits.	£1,200
Supply and lay Terram 1000 geotextile layer between lateral drains.	£6,460
Supply and place 200mm layer of type 3 modified stone.	£51,000
Supply and place 50mm blinding layer to carpet area.	£18,620
Supply and lay shock pad, carpet and infill.	£205,200
Installation of sockets for goalposts.	£600
Testing of pitch installation to the required standards.	£3,000
PC Sum for irrigation system	£54,500
PC Sum for geogrid reinforcement over 25% pitch	£8,500
Totals	£375,980



3G Pitch Capital Investment Income

Funding Sources	Amount £
FIFA Funding Relief Plan	£300,000
Dungannon Swifts FC club contribution	£25,980
Mid Ulster District Council – Capital Discretionary Grant	£50,000
Total Income	£375,980



Thank You!

Any questions?



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