



**Causeway  
Coast & Glens  
Borough Council**

**SITE VISIT REPORT: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026**

*Committee Members: Alderman, Boyle, Callan, Coyle(Vice-Chair), Hunter, Scott, S McKillop and; Councillors Anderson, C Archibald, Kane(Chair), Kennedy, McGurk, McMullan, McQuillan, Nicholl, Storey and Watton*

**Application: LA01/2024/0223/F**

**App Type: Full planning**

**Proposal: New terrace, associated fence and path for Dungiven GAC**

**Present: Cllrs Archibald, Storey and Watton**

**Officials: Jennifer Lundy**

**Comments:** The site was viewed from the Garvagh Road. The existing facilities at the pitch were highlighted which included the perimeter fence, pitch, car park and changing rooms building. The officer advised that the main pitch was located at the top of Garvagh Road and that this was primarily the training pitch. Members noted the restricted space around the pitch and between the side lines and the boundary fence. The officer advised that the proposal was to provide a safe area for standing.

Members asked where the objectors lived. The Officer advised that the objections were mainly from the development to the south, adjacent to the open space. The officer pointed out the proposed location of the stepped terrace and how it is proposed to be accessed. No access can be gained to the pitch other than coming through the main gates on the Garvagh Road. Members queried the length of the proposed terrace and number of steps. The Officer advised that it was around 30m and comprised 2 steps.

The officer referred to the surrounding residential area and that the photographs submitted by the objector show car parking on the footpaths and both sides of the roads in the surrounding residential areas at a match in September 2025. The officer advised that parking had been raised as an issue back in the previous planning history in 2013 and that in the published Parking Standards that spectator parking is not required for pitches such as this. The members noted the proximity of the residential areas to the pitch.

Members asked if the club owned the land for the works. The Officer advised that it was in the ownership of the NIHE. The officer confirmed that planning does not confer title and it is up to a developer to ensure that they have the correct permissions in place.

J Lundy 23.02.2026