

Facilities: 4 Main topics

Colane

1. People very keen to explore if there is an option to expand. (Name) needs to be approached in an official capacity to see if there is any land available
2. Training pitch needs rolled asap
3. Training pitch needs upgraded for some training and warmups, potential for goals/catch nets

Suggestions for improvement

4. 2nd set of changing rooms (Portacabins)
5. 2nd floor on top of existing changing rooms
6. Catchnets need upgraded
7. Shop needs a facelift
8. Is car parking at far end an option
9. Could gym be utilised more for non-playing members
10. Could more people be trained to use the scoreboard
11. Could we get a target wall
12. Could we get a covered stand
13. Upgrade of walking track – without steps
14. Safety of children on Colane an issue
15. Is there any availability of land between us and (name)
16. Is there any availability of land across the road

Behind Chapel

17. There is a need for an all year training facility pitch behind chapel to be available for use

St Ronan's

18. St Ronan's would be available for use (Indoor & Outdoor) (2024)

Mitchell's field

19. Ownership needs to be taken as a matter of urgency whether for playing field or 3G – strong support from all for the Club to move on this – suggested we could survey that part of parish to confirm support
20. Would be suitable for training & up to U13 matches
21. Broad consensus Mitchells field represents our most immediate opportunity for a 2nd playing facility

Lagan Gate

22. Seen as an exciting project for the Club in the longer term
23. Potential benefits to the wider community and has cross-community potential
24. Access to children and community less hazardous than Colane
25. Potential for Social Club should be explored
26. Traffic issue to be resolved with Roads NI but outline planning process nearing conclusion
27. Communication of developments re Project with members and community needed
28. How do we fund this
29. What exactly are we getting

Camogs

30. Use of facilities
31. Are they members
32. Are they contributing to costs
33. Have they amalgamated
34. Charge for use of facilities of not members – is it still in place

Committee

35. Committee needs to agree on its facilities development priorities for the next 3 years and longer term – another playing pitch is seen as the most urgent priority for the Club

End

Survey contributions

	Q6b - Facilities - Are there any facilities that our club does not have which should be developed?	Q6c - Facilities - Which of our existing club facilities would you like to see improved and in what way?
1	A social club	
2	Training pitch is essential.If the club wishes to progress with all level of under age football especially the girls it is impossible to get games and training fitting in and the field is over used.	Clubhouse isn't sufficient for the amount of people involved. The community has outgrown the dated clubhouse.
3	A second pitch	More changing rooms for girls. Better floodlights. Improve catchnets.A roof over the stand area
4	Need for decent second training pitch	
5	n/a	Being able to walk around the main pitch should be priority. Not accessible easily with prams/young children when watching training sessions or matches. Also could be a hazard/unsafe when walking round as there are cables/holes. Also purchasing merchandise could be made easier by having form of online system or order form
6	Another pitch would be fantastic	Changing room for the girls football el, especially if the boys r using facilities
7	Better club house with social club to bring in more of the community.	Club house. Social club would be very beneficial to our club.
8	Cannot reply as I do not know anything about the facilities	Cannot reply
9	It would be fantastic to have a social club and a facility to runs events in	Better club house that is used. I would say more paremts have never been in our clubhouse
10	Seating and shelters for spectators	
11	Additional pitches, larger room for community meetings. The shop should be on line and there should also be a shop at the club rooms that can be accessed on match days.	Training pitches, artificial pitch. Bigger and better changing facilities given that we have multiple teams across genders and codes. Facilities have changed little in the 30 odd years since the pitch was redeveloped, we lag behind other clubs in the range of facilities.
12	Gym	Gym - club rooms
13	Better changing facilities (more spacious), a larger more modern club house with better meeting facilities and second full size pitch.	See answer Q6c
14	Ball wall. 2nd pitch	Bigger changing rooms

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15	Not much space up there to build anything else, so current facilities could be improved. New catch nets need put in and the lights are no where near bright enough.	All of it. Everything is too small. The current facilities/location is not good enough now for a growing club wanting to win championships. The new set-up that was passed behind Aghagallon shop can't come quick enough, but it looks like it'll never happen.
16	No	None
17	all weather pitch and catch nets for side pitch and fenced off	Clubrooms, changing rooms and toilets improved and gym more accessible for the girls. fences: to avoid dog dirt on both pitches. More footballs, equipment, boot brushes at pitch gates
18	2 football pitch	Football netting needs replacing at car park end to protect vehicles
19	Not sure of all	
20	Covered stand	Second pitch
21	All facilities at the club need developed by funding from the likes of the lottery, gaa etc etc just take a drive to some of the other clubs in rural parts of the county or local counties to see the difference.	All need improved. A project team needs to be setup to look at moving the club into the heart of the community where it should be so that there is easier access for the youth and community to use the facilities provide by the club. Pitch and club is not accessible due to its location and road that it is on. GAA clubs should be at the centre of the community they serve. This team should be made up of people without ulterior motives and have the best interests of the club in mind not their own interests.
22	Additional changing facilities	Side pitch
23		Changing rooms expanded
24	A proper second pitch	New catch nets, develop the side pitch
25		The club shop - should be at the pitch and items available when training is on. Getting items is not very convenient.

26		<p>Overall presentation of Pairc Na Gael.</p> <p>Painting of fencing around the perimeter of pitch in club colours. Green boards and white posts.</p> <p>New goal nets and in club colours. Repaint of goal posts.</p> <p>Grass properly cut around base of post and behind goal line.</p> <p>Fencing at entrance to pitch. Club badge boarding on each side. Club images on boards secured along fences on both sides.</p> <p>Club shop (container) cleaned up again painted in club colours and club badge on display. Cordoned off seating area. New benches again in club Colours.</p> <p>Side pitched levelled out and reseeded. This can be done when pitch behind school has been secured where underage training can take place.</p> <p>Tidy up of dug outs. Again wrapped in club colours.</p> <p>Facilities could be given a freshen up and improve the presence of the club on arrival to the ground. These are small achievable gains with little cost incurred. Club volunteers can assist with painting.</p> <p>Aside from presentation. Longer term goal maybe expansion of club house. Another level and widened.</p>
27	Spectators Stand	Pitches as the main pitch is being used for both training and matches.
28	A stand	Changing rooms to small for some the teams we have. Should be more than 2 Changing rooms.
29	4g pitch	Club house changing rooms
30	Second pitch, ball wall for underage training	Second pitch
31	Girls changing rooms	The gym more equipment and used by all groups
32	2nd & 3rd pitch - muga pitch	car park bigger

33		Club shop
34	Social club	Clubhouse been the same for years
35	Really need to push for a second pitch. This is an on going problem which grows every year. For me it's buying the field off (Name) and getting it developed as a training pitch. This is affordable for our club to do right now. The new facilities in Aghagallon would be great but I believe they're out of our budgets and too far into the future to get up and going	The club rooms needed modernised with extra changing rooms, to facilitate girls/women more and also disabled facilitates
36	Second pitch. Social hub for club.	If we plan to have the colane pitch as our home for at least the next 10 years then do it up properly, build new changing rooms, with a social club over looking pitch, replace small pitch with 3G, tar the car park, replace the catch nets, new dug outs. Then that only leaves us needing a second grass pitch. Do you the Mitchell's up for a training field or else buy land of branagans! Get it done
37	Believe the club shop could do with a refresh. Also the side pitch could be developed into a dedicated training facility. The need to use it for parking has hindered its use.	Need to a second pitch is the key priority. A feasibility study of all the potential options need to be undertaken and then the whole community will need to get involved in the process to achieve this.
38		Think the side pitch needs a lot of attention. The floodlights could be upgraded.
39		Clubroom and changing rooms increased sized
40	Some form of terrace/seated stand, particularly for elderly spectators	Side pitch - a decent playing surface and nets would make it adequate to train on
41	Due to the growing playing membership, additional facilities are required to accommodate all teams. A 3G floodlit training pitch would be ideal, either at the Colane or working in collaboration with the school pitch behind the chapel.	As mentioned, converting the small pitch to a floodlit 3G training pitch would benefit the club greatly and could perhaps provide a potential source of income if hired out for community use.
42		Changing rooms, not big enough
43		Clubhouse/changing rooms
44	Club house should be a hub for the community. Currently it's run down, small and rarely used by the teams or to host events.	Club house and porch availability
45		Definitely toilets
46	Look into recovery facilities which could be made available to public other local teams providing another income for the club potentially?	The side pitch could do with a revamp. If the source was better and a catch net added at backend it could be good alternative to save main pitch a bit more

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47	Car park needs sorted	Second pitch, car park .
48	Cafe	Shop
49	4G pitch	Parking needs to be better and so does the side pitch
50	Recovery rooms such as ice baths could be something to look into in the near future	
51	The stand	
52	Second pitch, preferably 4G and floodlit, ball wall, outdoor gym, cover on stand	Additional changing rooms particularly with the growth of girls participation, catchnets need repaired, pitch fencing needs upgrading, floodlighting on pitch could be improved, better facilities for everyone to socialise in
53		Extension of current club rooms. Either build on top of extend building out.
54	Second pitch	Clubroom -bigger
55	Walkway around pitch or outside the fence. Better parking facilities. Covered stand. Crash barrier along road side	Another pitch, develop the small pitch to a better playing surface
56	Seating and roof for spectators	The catch net
57	More space for training and matches, it's a growing community and now we have up and running girls teams and so many age groups from nursery to senior we need more room.	Another pitch possibly in an area that has easier access that will allow children to get to and from in safely as they cannot travel independently to the one we have. Bigger club rooms as ours are too small and not use to their full potential because they couldn't accommodate everyone.
58	3G pitch	The stands need a roof and seating
59	A second pitch, ideally 3G	Merchandise sold at the pitch shop. Side pitch poor surface, shape and size
60	3g pitch	
61	The Club should have a long term vision of facilities as in the potential plan to relocate to the village.	
62	The club badly needs a second pitch and bigger changing rooms.	The area around the borehole needs to be sorted. That whole area at the top end could be tidied up and used for carparking to free up the side pitch which could be turned into a 3G. The catchnets need sorted.
63		The Mitchels field is now owned by the club. It needs to be developed into a 3G for the young people. These are the future of the club not the No men who are holding it back. In 40 years these people have turned it from a pitch into a cow field. It needs to be brought back to

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		what it was always intended to be. A FOOTBALL PITCH.
64		Sheltered area for supporters / carpark tarmaced
65	A second pitch needs to be developed for the easing of the pressure on the main pitch	The Mitchell's field needs to be developed as a main training facility for our underage teams and also the side pitch needs levelled and reseeded to give another playing surface to play on
66	A new pitch	Changing rooms
67	2nd pitch/3G pitch	Side pitch sorted out, better club rooms and shop
68	The gym needs to be kitted out and it could do with personal training aspects for members and family's of memebers this would be a good way to encourage people to get fit and would be a source of revenue for the club. The lack of enough pitch space space to train equipment and parking is extremely poor for a club this size and growing one pitch is simply not enough.	Gym with personal training available to be a source of revenue. A club with a bar in the surrounding area. Source of revenue never mind politics and religious beliefs. It's a source of revenue. Pitch needs to be made into two plenty of space to create two pitches Club shop on site Create a hurling team tap into other aspects in the area.
69		Spectator facilities
70	There is no club shop you have to order stuff through one person and they never respond finding it impossible to get club gear.	
71		Club rooms, need more
72	Another playing pitch	Another set of changing rooms
73	A function room for watching big GAA games with an occasional drinks license And a second pitch	
74		Clubrooms and side pitch
75	Stands for pitch	
76	3G pitch	Side pitch needs work
77	Second full size pitch	Pitch and changing facilities
78	Sufficient second pitch	Second playing field
79	Stand with Canopy - long term goal potentially but difficult of course due to the proximity of the road and back fields.	Side pitch needs levelled / improved. Goal posts need provided for side pitch and perhaps a fence around its perimeter to stop the balls getting lost in the grass or nettles at the back
80	Indoor training facilities for winter training (especially for youth teams) Extra training pitch so training not effected when matches on	Club shop would be more suitable at Club grounds with set times so you don't feel putting anybody out requesting to get to shop open
81	Handball wall	
82	Webcam on to pitch so people can watch matches from home/holidays.	Car park needs improved. Very unsafe especially for children. Needs parking

	Children's play area for keeping small children occupied during matches	spaces. A walking path along the field and a zebra crossing over to clubhouse. Also a drop off point for parents dropping off which does not involve children walking in front and behind cars. Disabled car parking is needed as well as disabled seating for supporters.
83	second pitch. additional changing rooms	Gym - more accessible to all members & possibly some organised classes for groups
84	Keep fit areas for women, coffee shop	Shop and gym-new building
85		Larger club room? Larger gym open to more members and competitively priced for usage by non playing members? Social club.
86	I think the club should develop plans for a 2nd full size grass pitch (probably a long term plan as additional ground is probably required - I am assuming that the proposed move to Aghagallon may not be a runner?). In short / medium term a 3g / synthetic pitch at Colane and developing / refurbishing the Mitchell's field might be a more realistic goal. Long term I also think a multi use hall would be a great addition. I'm aware that this would all require significant funding however I do think there should be 1 / 3/ 5 / 10 / 20 year development plan (maybe this is already in place, if there is it would be good if the community could see some visibility of this). I work in South Derry and a lot of clubs in this area are continually developing their facilities and a significant portion of the finance seems to come from council / public money and it would be great if Aghagallon could benefit from something like this.	I think all our existing facilities could be improved (eg tar car park, more permanent structure for gym, concrete path around entire perimeter of pitch to encourage running / walking etc) but this would all need considered as part of an overall plan as there won't be an overnight fix to do everything.
87	Better coffee and tea Dock for games.	

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