



Minutes of Suncroft GFC Annual General meeting 2019 held on 9th November at 5pm in Suncroft Community Centre

Attendance: Mary Val Dillon, Des Brannock, Shane Kavanagh, Louise McGuirk, Ollie Brannock, Mary Fennelly, Val Dillon, Johnny McGuirk, Hugh O'Byrne, Noel Sammon, Kevin Fennelly, Clare Keon, Ciaran Troy, Pat Sutton, Mag Malone, Mick Kehoe.

Opening Address:

The Chair (Mick Kehoe) opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. This was followed by a minute's silence as a mark of respect to past members and especially Ben Guidera who played with our U17's and passed away in January.

Apologies: Paddy Behan, James Kane.

Minutes of Previous AGM:

The 2018 AGM draft minutes had been circulated to all members and had also been available to view on the club's website. The only matter arising, and not on the agenda for this meeting, was the appointment of the various sub-committees by the incoming 2018 Executive and this was done at the following Executive meeting. The minutes were accepted as a true record.

Proposed by Louise McGuirk and seconded by Mary Val Dillon.

Secretary's Report:

The Secretary (Margaret Malone) delivered her secretary's report which detailed the activities of the club over the year (copy of report attached).

The Chair thanked Mag for her secretary report. The chair stated that the secretary is by far the most important role in the club and is what keeps things organised and moving. The Chair thanked Mag for doing a superb job.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasures (Pat Sutton) presented a copy of the Income and expenditure for the 11 months of the year to date (1st Dec 2018, 9 Nov 2019) and the balance sheet (copy attached).

The key point made by the Treasurer was that income, when once of income from grants, etc associated with the field works are excluded, was down in all categories. There is a current deficit for the year of €6.3k and the current Quantum Draw would need to be pushed very hard up to Christmas to ensure that gap is bridged, and we have a positive start to 2020.

The outstanding balance on the current GAA loan is down to €19.5k and at €5k +interest per year the club is making good progress in paying it off.

A provision had been made in the accounts for grass cutting for 2018 & 2019 but despite requesting a bill on numerous occasions it has not been forthcoming. This will have to be addressed before the start of the 2020 season.

The Chair thanked Pat for his report and stated that for the trust and confidence of the members, and the community, proper financial governance is critically important, and Pat continues to do a superb job

at keeping a tight rein on every cent and at keeping us all on the straight and narrow. Great attention to detail and no nonsense.

Chairpersons Address:

The Chair thank everyone for their support during the year. There were no major issues but anytime a helping hand or advice was needed it was generously given.

A chart outlining the competitive games played across the year was presented. A busy schedule from February to November.

GAA GAMES			2019											
			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
U12	3	S. Board				■	■	■						
	9	Seanie B				■	■	■	■					
U13	8	League						■	■	■				
	7	Champ										■	■	
U14	2	League		■	■						■	■		
	5	Champ												
U15	2	League				■	■	■	■					
	6	Champ										■	■	■
U16	10	League	■	■	■	■								
	6	Champ							■	■				
U17	5	League						■	■					
	3	Champ										■	■	
U18	8	League	■	■	■									
	4	Champ							■	■	■			
U20	0	League						■	■					
U21	0	Champ										■	■	
Adult	25	League	■	■	■	■	■	■	■					
		Champ								■	■	■		
		Reserve				■	■							
103 (40 H)														

LGFA GAMES			2019											
			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
U12	3	League				■	■	■						
U13	6	League								■	■	■		
U14	7	League			■	■	■	■						
U15	5	League								■	■	■		
U16	5	League		■	■	■								
U18	7	League								■	■	■	■	■
Adult	7	League			■	■			■	■				
	5	Champ					■	■		■	■			
45 (20 H)														

Dinner Dance

The year started with a Dinner Dance which was fantastic night. Players, parents, grandparents, members, non-members and sponsors all mixing and all having a good time. It's important to have good community social nights like that and thanks you to Louise McGuirk, Mag Malone and particularly Rita Kehoe for organising.

Facilities

The main happening of the year was new underage pitch and training area gradually come into use during the summer and as we got into September the flood lights got their first official use. The main pitch has also nearly fully recovered from the drainage and surface improvement works and is in superb condition for the time of the year and for the amount of use it has had. Early days but the Croke Park grass in the goals also appears to be holding up well.

When you allow for the materials and labour donated, the club got around €135,000 worth of work done at a cost to the club of less than €5k (A short report on the works was issued, copy attached).

This is a great step forward for the club and community's facilities and I again would like to thank all those involved and in particular thank Andy Hynes, Kevin Brannock, Alan & John Troy, Ciaran Delaney, Derry Enright and Colm Kane for their works on the pitches and thank Pat Sutton and Shane Kavanagh for the two or more years of work they put into sorting the grants and financing.

Overall, we are getting to a good place as regards facilities but in the short term we need a few improvements like dugouts and pitch railings and in the longer term the next big job is the back pitch, flattened, drain, sanded and seed.

Football

The Chair was pleased that the Club had another great year of competitive football. Silverware was scarce but it's much more important that most players and teams are genuinely challenged and getting regular competitive football. In particular, it was great to see our senior ladies not only stepping up to senior and D1 football but competing, just missing out on semi-finals in both competitions by score difference.

There were still a few competitions ongoing where we have a reasonable chance of success Minor ladies, U15 lads, U13 lads.

November is too late in the year to be still playing football and this is something that the Club has raised with County again.

At county level the Club were well represented across all the LGFA and GAA age grades again. Over twenty Club members represented the Club and community on county teams and four players making it to Leinster finals.

The competitiveness of the Clubs teams and the number of the players that represented the Club on county teams is testament to the good structures the underage and ladies have in place and all the hard work of all the coaches and mentors.

The Games Promotion Officer (Mark Fitzharris) roll had another good year in 2019 and you can see the skill levels rising. The Chair described an U11 or 12's girls match he was at recently and how he was gobsmacked by the skill level and that it wasn't just one or two it was all of the Suncroft players.

The Chair thanked Mark Prendergast and Mark Fitzharris for their work on this initiative as it has turned out to be a great for the Club. The GPO role had another year of its initial 3 year term to run and if we can get more funding in place it is something that we should increase in the following years.

Committees

The Chair thanked Mark Prendergast and Derry Enright for running the underage and again a special thanks to Trish Tobin for her dedication to, and work with, the clubs youngest. Also thanks to Tanya Duignan for organising the Cul Camp.

The Chair thanked Clare Keon, Karen Ennis and Louise McGuirk for their work on the ladies committee. Great for the club to be competitive at so many different underage levels and to have the senior ladies team competing and competitive at Division 1 and Senior Championship level. From almost collapsing a short few years ago the Ladies is and shining example of what can be achieved in a short few years with a good structure, a good plan, consistency and hard work.

The Chair thanked Dean Slattery, Mickey Harnett, Ciaran Troy and Des Brannock for their work with on the Senior Lads sub-committee.

The underage and ladies are in a good place, so there is no need to say a lot other than thanks. The senior lads setup is somewhere between surgery and recovery and it is important to review the progress being made.

For those new to the Club and AGM the Chair explained that the senior lad's setup and the integration of younger players has been in decline for a good number of years and had reached a near crisis point in 2017 when there was real struggle to field teams in a good number of games. This committee was established to try to address the problem two years ago. Since its establishment the committee has put a lot of thought and effort into understanding what was happening and on turning it around.

Some progress over this year again but still a bit to go before a corner is turned.

- The "not me" negativity and blame culture is not gone yet but more players starting to take more personal responsibility.
- Senior players are working with the younger players to help them improve and integrate.
- Fairly positive atmosphere around the panel.

- Returning players - 4 players in the 20 to 24 years age bracket that had quit and not played for a few years have returned to play.
- Seven U18's were integrated into the setup and got lots of game time.
- The initiative of getting the lads from U17 up and senior ladies panel together in the gym early in the year did help improve communication across the age groups and lads and ladies. Players got to know each other early in the year.
- Good quality training is was organised and available and the quality of the training being laid on was checked.
- As is the Clubs responsibility, football is there for those who want to play. It is on the Clubs terms. Nobody is begged to play, nobody is special, everyone gets fair and equal treatment.

The platform and training is there and what is needed is more players and real competition for places to raise the bar.

Through 2019 we were down 13 of the 2018 players for all or big chunks of the year. Four retired or left, three were away with army duties, three went travel travelling for a number of months, there were three lengthy injuries, three stepped away until after their leaving certs exams and a player was tied up with county duties.

Fortunately, the Club had seven U18's and the four others that came back to football playing and this kept the team going when numbers were tight.

In 2019 the Club had 33 registered senior players, that kicked some football. The average age was 22. That's 9 players more than we had in 2017 and the average age down for 25 in 2017.

With players coming through over the next few years the average age is likely to drop further which is not ideal for a senior football team. Work will continue to try to get more older footballers to return.

At last years AGM we identified the lack of games for minor players as they migrate to senior was a major problem. The Chair produced an update chart for 2019 and significant progress had been made with U17's and U18's.

Year	SUNCROFT GFC GAMES PLAYED													GAMES AVAILABLE FOR PLAYERS EXCLUDING SENIOR TEAM							
	U14 Feile	U14 Champ	U15 League	U15 Champ	U16 League	U16 Champ	U17 League	U17 Champ	U18 League	U18 Champ	U20 League	U21 Champ	Reserve League	Reserve Champ	U14's (14&15)	U15's (15&16)	U16's (16 to 18)	U17's (17 to 21)	U18's (18 to Res)	U19's + (20 to Res)	
2019	2	5	2	6	10	6	5	3	8	4			3		15	24	36	20	15	3	
2018	5	7		10	7	5	4	4		3			1		22	22	23	11	4	1	
2017	5	10		7	8	5			2	5			1		22	20	20	7	8	1	
2016	7	5		6	6	5		1	8	6					18	17	26	15	14	0	
2015	5	7		5	8	6			3	6			3		17	19	23	9	12	3	
2014	6	6		3	6	5			9	4			11	3	15	14	24	13	27	14	
2013	5	6		5	6	6			7	4			3	8	2	16	17	23	11	24	13

Low player numbers at 17's & 18's has a lot of U16's playing up two grades and at 36 club football games on top of training, county and school football, soccer, rugby, basketball, hurling we need to keep an eye on it as there is a risk of burn out.

The attempt to get reserve team going in 2019 failed as there just wasn't enough players willing to turn up. With another seven or eight minors coming through this year we will have another look at it again for 2020, or possibly the U20 league depending on timing.

The team got a couple of trimmings at the beginning of the year but thing firmed up from there. Last year the trimmings came towards the end of the season and the year before that the trimmings were all year long. No gold stars being handed out, but a bit of progress.

For the players, coaches and the sub-committee, mid D4 and intermediate survival, is not an easy place to be and it would be very easy for a lot of people to throw in the towel, especially when they are been badgered with negativity from some quarters.

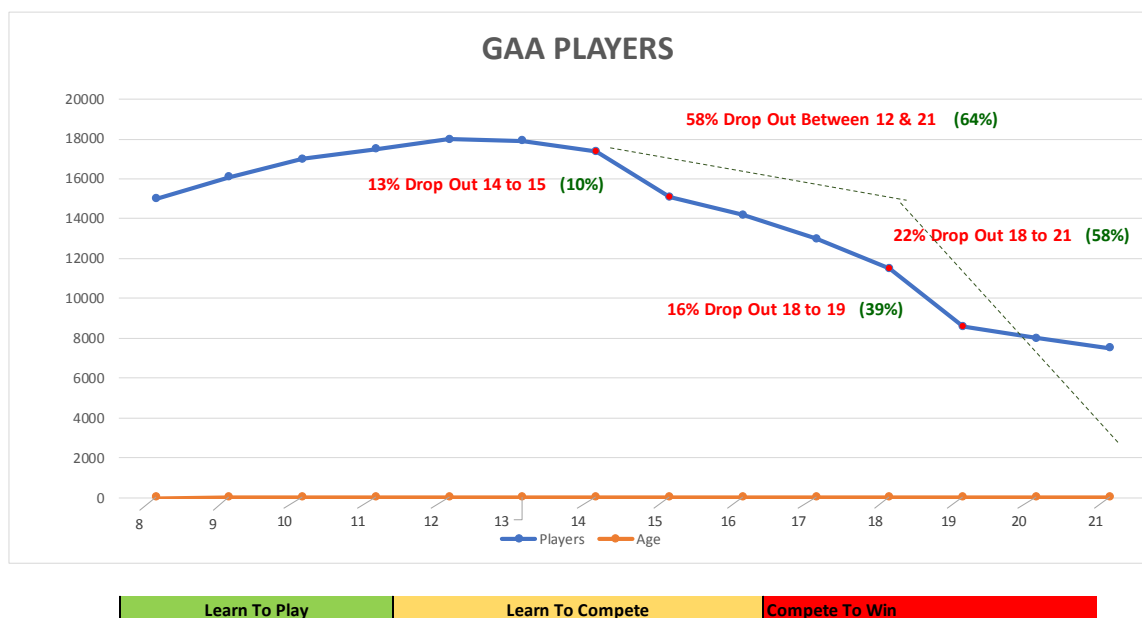
Fortunately, the Club have a good strong crew together and I would like to thank Dean Slattery, Mickey Harnett, Ciaran Troy and Des Brannock for their work and for sticking with the committee. Thanks to Niall Whyte, Alan Middleton, Danny Whelan and Tommy Sheehan for their work with the panel this year. Thanks to Seamus Dillon & Johnny McGuirk for their work with the U18's and reserve team. Thank you, the club members, for giving us the time, support and space to work on turning it around. And particularly thanks to the players for sticking with it.

Player Retention

We are not the first club in the country to have an issue with players coming through and we won't be the last and fortunately the GAA is that it has been around for more than a century and while it is not perfect it does have a lot of knowledge and experience that we can learn from.

The GAA Player Pathway

- Play to learn - 4 to 11 *(in Kildare with the Seanie Barber competition turning into a county league U12 is now more or less competitive).*
- Learn to Compete - 12 to 16
- Compete to Win - 17 to Retirement. *(U17 the new minor nationally and competitive).*



Numbers generally build up to U12 or U13 and then start to decline. The GAA has roughly 1,800 U12's and this drops to under 8,000 by the age of 21. A drop of 58%. In SunCroft its c. 64%. Dropout of 13% 14 to 15. U14 first really competitive year, Feile. At SunCroft its 10%. Overall the biggest dropout, 16%, is 18 to 19 when players move up from minor to senior, at SunCroft its 39%. Looking at 18 to 21 dropouts is 22%, as SunCroft its 58%.

Small clubs do better than big clubs from 12 to 18. More community based, more rural, less distractions, more game time and less competing options.

At Younger Ages:

Parents are as important as players. Everyone is busy, everyone has more than the GAA happening in their lives and the GAA coaching team has to make it easy for parents as well as challenging for the players.

For the parents:

- Fixed schedule of games and training, days and times.
- Good communication with no changes to training times or games without a number of days notice.
- Training should always go ahead as scheduled.

For the players:

- Training should always go ahead as scheduled.
 - Low numbers is an opportunity for coaches to focus more on individual players and particular skills.
 - Low numbers is an opportunity for coaches to focus more on the more committed players.
- Coaches need to help the committed players drag the team up and interest levels up, and, not allow the uncommitted to drag the team and interest levels down.

Small clubs do a lot worse than big clubs at the 18 to 21.

The main issues for most small clubs are:

1. The only, credible, available the next step is up to the senior team. Second teams are often for the semi-retired and unfit players. Not an encouraging environment for ambitious 18 to 21 year olds.
2. Players expectations are too high. In the smaller clubs:
 - Players are not used to competing for a starting place because most underage teams require two years to combine to make a team. i.e. U12's play up with the 13's (all 13's start), U14's play up with the 15's (all 15's start), etc.
 - Teams competing in lower divisions, often with less games, because player numbers at specific ages are low. Two or more ages to make a team.
 - Coaches grade teams in lower divisions to win.
 - Step up physically too challenging.
 - U20's/ 21's competitions in decline. No stepping stone to senior.
 - Players living away / college.

For the lads moving up to senior learning to compete from an early age and managing expectations are two key factors.

- From U12 to U16 they are being prepared to compete (Learn to Compete) players have to learn to:
 - Compete with their marker
 - Compete as a team
 - Compete for a place on the team - *This is difficult where player numbers are low.*

Grading teams in lower divisions to win something is common but counterproductive to engendering a competitive attitude in players. Winning games by large margins and winning a competition or winning by large margins and getting to a final with an opposing team, possibly with the same drop down the grades to win strategy, benefits nobody in the long term (This is problematic in Kildare where there would appear there is no logic to division grades at many levels and a growing number of amalgamations in the lower divisions).

Once players get to 14 or 15 they know what competition and competitive is. They are maturing and mixing and playing with players from clubs of all sizes in school.

In the longer term and as they get older players value being consistently challenged to help them improve over winning something they know they didn't really earn.

Leave the handy medals for the U11's down and teach the U12's up to compete and improve and when they do win something, they will really value it.

- From U17 on its dog eat dog (Compete to Win). Manage Expectations Players need to know what is facing them:
 - The emerging player will have to dislodge an older player or players to get a spot.
 - Majority of players and coaches won't know what they are capable of.
 - Past underage performances count for nothing.
 - It will take time to build an on-field relationship with players.
 - It will take time to build the trust of players and coaches.
 - No, they won't be able to physically compete with a fit 30 year old.

- 1) Teach them how to be competitive.
- 2) Manage their expectations.

Suncroft player number by year and competition grades were discussed and allowing for some specific known issues the player numbers do appear to hold up better where players are playing in the more challenging levels.

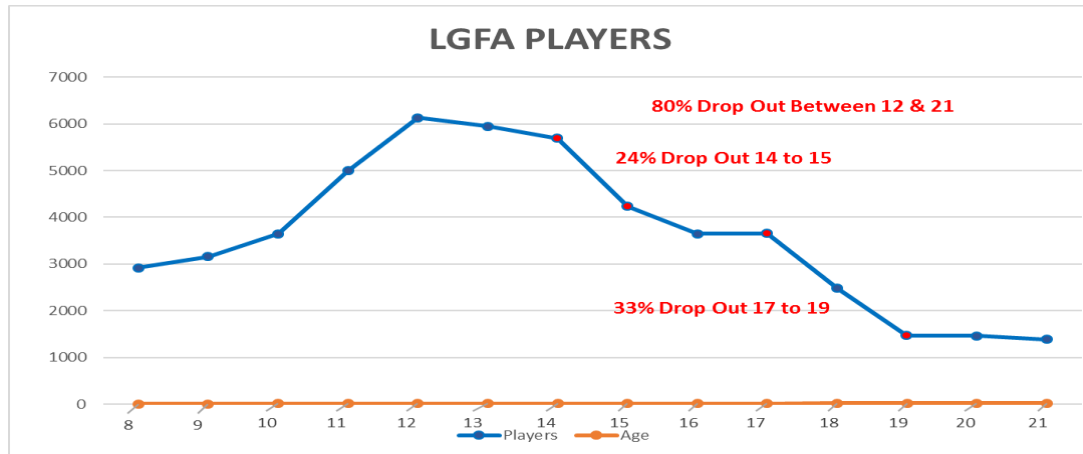
SUNCROFT GFC GAA PLAYERS

2019 Grade	Year	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	U12 v U14	U14 v U16	U16 v U18	U12 v U18
U22	1997	11	11	12	11	12	13	7	6	5	5	6	1	0	-5	-4
U21	1998		7	8	8	9	10	6	5	3	1	2	1	2	-5	-2
U20	1999			13	11	12	10	10	5	5	3	3	-1	-2	-5	-8
U19	2000				14	13	13	10	10	6	6	3	-1	-3	-4	-8
U18	2001					13	12	9	8	7	8	7	-4	-2	0	-6
U17	2002						12	11	9	7	7	7	-3	-2		
U16	2003							18	18	17	16	17	-1	0		
U15	2004								15	15	16	16	1			
U14	2005									12	11	8	-4			
U13	2006										13	13				
U12	2007											7				

Grade 2019	Born	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
U22	1997	L D3 W / B Champ W (PP/OB/DN/XB)	No U17's	B Champ W (OB/PP)				
U21	1998	Shield W (PS/PP)	L D5 W (PP/PS)	No U17's	L D4 W (PS/IS/CC)			
U20	1999	L D5 W (PS/MP)	L D4 (PS/MP)	C Champ Final / LD3 (PS/B/IS/MP)	No U17's	L D4 Final (B/XB)		
U19	2000	(B/RD/MP)	Fe cC W (B/RD/MP)	L D3 (B/MP)	L D3 / C Champ (B/MP)	No U17's	D Champ W (SD/B)	
U18	2001	(MK/DK)	L D3 SB W (MK, OM, DK)	Fe B / L D3 (MK/PG/OM/RD/IM)	L D4 (MK/PG - DK)	D Champ W (DK)	L D3 / C Champ Final (SD/DK)	L D4 Final / D Champ Final (SD/DK/IM)
U17	2002		L D1 SB W (MK/PG/OM)	L D1 Semi / B Champ* (MK/PG/OM/RD/IM)	Fe A / L D2 (MK/PG-A/D/D)	L D3 (A/D/D)	L D3 Final (A/D/D)	L D3 W (B Champ) (A/D/D)
U16	2003			L D1 Final SB (A/D/D)	L D1 / A Champ (A/D/D)	Fe A Shield / L D1 Shield (A/D/D)	L D1 (A/D/D)	A Champ Final (A/D/D)
U15	2004				L D2 SB (P/G/M)		Fe D Final / L D4 W (P/G/M)	SL D4 / AL D4* (P/G/M)
U14	2005					L D3 SB (DK)	L D4 (DK-SB)	L D4 (SD)
U13	2006						L D3 SB (AD-SD)	L D4 Final (AB/GM/MB/KK)
U12	2007							L D2 Shield Final (JT/ME)

Nationally the GAA is discussion getting rid of U17's and U20's and having U19's as the stepping stone.

LGFA



SUNCROFT GFC LGFA PLAYERS

2019 Grade	Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2015/19
U22	1997	3	2	1	1	1	-2
U21	1998	11	6	3	3	0	-11
U20	1999	3	2	1	2	2	-1
U19	2000	5	4	1	1	1	-4
U18	2001	11	10	7	7	6	-5
U17	2002	5	6	4	5	4	-1
U16	2003	7	6	4	6	6	-1
U15	2004	2	4	8	6	4	2
U14	2005	4	8	11	14	12	8
U13	2006	5	5	6	10	9	4
U12	2007	5	3	4	6	8	3
U11	2008	4	6	5	7	9	5

LGFA follows a similar trend but loses 80% of players between 12 & 21. As with the GAA the decline starts as they start secondary school and develop other interests.

Unlike the GAA there is a migration path to senior football for ladies from 15 years. The big drop off at 14 to 15 and 18 to 19 is likely more to do with secondary school, junior and leaving certs, work and college rather than competing and winning. There is not a lot of LGFA research available.

The efforts in recent years to raise the profile of Ladies football, sponsorship by Lidil and the 20x20 campaign will all help.

Suncroft's Ladies have come a long way over the last number of years and we just have to keep up the hard work.

Coaching

One thing that we have to address for both the Lads and Ladies is training of coaches. At the minute we have over 60 people involved in coaching and only a handful have been to any trained to coach to the basic Level 1 standard.

Every coach has to have a level 1 qualification and coaches with older children level 3.

There was three attempts to get the coaches together with the GPO, Mark Fitzharris, and the coaches didn't show the three times. We should try this again in February, out of season for most teams.

Finance

Unfortunately, what we do costs money and I would like to thank everyone who put their hand in their pocket in any way to support the club's activities. Meadow Court Stud have stood firmly behind the club again this year and the club would like to thank them for that support. I would also like to thank all the sponsors, especially Dominic from the Well who backed the Golf Classic again which is why its such a success, and also Kilsarren and Troy Electrical who were again particularly generous in 2019.

The Chair again Pat for finance report and expanded on it a little bit to identify where costs arise and costs that are outside the clubs control (*figures a little bit behind Pats and wont corollate exactly, I also excluded the field works*).

COST Description		All	Senior - U17	Ladies	Underage
GAA Affiliation	€ 2,874		€ 1,437		€ 1,437
LGFA Affiliation	€ 1,700			€ 1,700	
Sub Total =	€ 4,574	€ -	€ 1,437	€ 1,700	€ 1,437
Public & Property Liability Insurance	€ 4,725	€ 4,725	Up 44% over last 2 years		
Field Loan & Interest	€ 5,672	€ 5,672	Balance now c. €20k		
Miscellaneous	€ 65	€ 65			
Repairs & Maintenance	€ 696	€ 696			
IT - Website / Finance	€ 646	€ 646			
Finance/Bank Fees	€ 913	€ 913			
Grass Cutting	€ 4,500	€ 4,500	Estimate (c. 12 acres x c. 35 custs)		
Community Centre Rent	€ 3,800	€ 3,800	Estimate		
Sub Total =	€ 21,017	€ 21,017			
Training	€ 12,290		€ 7,750	€ 1,750	€ 2,790
Team & Player Reg / Injury Fund	€ 7,520		€ 1,880	€ 4,198	€ 1,442
Referees	€ 1,870		€ 360	€ 725	€ 785
Medical / Physio	€ 3,042		€ 2,455	€ 510	€ 77
Gym/Pitch Hire	€ 2,000		€ 1,200	€ 800	-
Equipment	€ 810		€ 680	-	€ 130
Team - Other	€ 2,471		€ 1,134	€ 587	€ 750
Sub Total =	€ 30,003	€ -	€ 15,459	€ 8,570	€ 5,974
TOTAL SPEND =	€55,593	€ 21,017	€ 16,896	€ 10,270	€ 7,411

Basically there are €26k of costs before a ball is kicked. There is a further €7.5k of player, team and injury scheme fees and then the football costs €22k.

Hopefully with the new training area and lights we will be able to take c. €1k out of costs. There are some medical/physio costs. The cost of having a physio at all the lads games (22 + a couple of challenges) gets to €1.8k alone. The senior ladies do have less games and Becky McGuirk covered them for a number of games so their medical/physio cost are lower. It will rise a bit next year with Becky being away.

Overall the team costs are fairly consistent over the last number of years.

Senior Men

	Year	Total	Training	Reg/In. Fund	Referee	Medical	Equipment	Pitch Hire	Gym	Camera	Other
NW	2019	€ 15,259	€ 7,750	€ 1,880	€ 360	€ 2,455	€ 480		€ 1,200	€ 200	€ 934
NW	2018	€ 15,724	€ 8,250	€ 1,360	€ 600	€ 2,350	€ 600	€ 545	€ 1,000	€ 500	€ 519
LF	2017	€ 10,068	€ 4,730	€ 1,750	€ 370	€ 2,050	€ 206		€ 400	€ 50	€ 512
RJ	2016	€ 13,770	€ 5,483	€ 2,100	€ 590	€ 5,020	€ 277				€ 300
WM	2015	€ 14,420	€ 6,020	€ 2,050	€ 495	€ 4,272	€ 1,583				
SD	2014	€ 16,004	€ 2,370	€ 2,875	€ 670	€ 4,521	€ 4,768	€ 800			
SD	2013	€ 10,531		€ 3,745	€ 600	€ 3,772	€ 1,634	€ 780			

Ladies

	Year	Total	Training	Reg/In. Fund	Referee	Medical	Equipment	Pitch Hire	Gym	Camera	Other
DH	2019	€ 8,570	€ 1,750	€ 4,198	€ 725	€ 510			€ 800		€ 587
DH	2018	€ 8,152	€ 1,750	€ 4,693	€ 790	€ 310	€ 180	€ 429			
NP	2017	€ 9,332		€ 4,937	€ 690		€ 1,370				€ 2,335
NP	2016	€ 8,478	€ 850	€ 3,852	€ 235	€ 361	€ 275				€ 2,905
AP	2015	€ 9,804							No breakdown		
	2014	€ 8,510							No breakdown		
	2013	€ 7,887							No breakdown		

Underage

	Year	Total	Training	Reg/In. Fund	Referee	Medical	Equipment	Pitch Hire	Gym	Camera	Other
	2019	€ 6,174	€ 2,790	€ 1,442	€ 785	€ 77	€ 330				€ 750
	2018	€ 6,442	€ 2,300	€ 1,530	€ 290		€ 1,817				€ 505
	2017	€ 3,654		€ 1,600	€ 635		€ 1,219				€ 200
	2016	€ 3,751	€ 400	€ 1,550	€ 410	€ 146	€ 902				€ 343
	2015	€ 6,300							No breakdown		
	2014	€ 3,719							No breakdown		
	2013	€ 5,983							No breakdown		

Income generation is a critical activity and again the following is where the income come from:

2019 INCOME

FUNDRAISING / EVENTS			
	Income	Cost	Nett
Events			
National Club Draw (€10)	€1,590	€0	€1,590
Dinner Dance	€5,955	-€6,309	-€354
Golf Classic	€7,850	-€2,662	€5,188
Murphy Weekend Auction	€1,060	-€320	€740
Kildare Club Draw (€100)**	€4,750	-€3,000	€1,750
Dog Night	€3,435	-€435	€3,001
		Sub Total =	€11,915
Ongoing			
Gate - Senior Lads	€390	€0	€390
Lottery (excludes c. 46 membership with lotto)	€5,410	-€2,830	€2,580
General Fundraising	€245	€0	€245
Match Tickets	€745	-€640	€105
		Sub Total =	€3,320
Sponsorship			
Meadow Court	€6,000	-€225	€5,775
Howard Family	€2,600	-€208	€2,392
Intel	€3,555	€0	€3,555
Kilsarren	€750	€0	€750
Balls / Jerseys	€5,250	-€5,250	€0
		Sub Total =	€12,472
MEMBERSHIP			Sub Total = €19,867
TOTAL INCOME			€47,573

Fundraising early in the year was not the best and perhaps the effort that went into the Dinner Dance distracted away from it. The golf classic was the biggest fundraiser event again this year and the Chair thanked The Well and the senior lads team and coaches for getting behind it again.

The Murphy weekend which ties in with the Howard family was a great help as was the Dog Night. There are very few events where small kids, parents and grandparents can mingle and enjoy together and the Dog Night was good for that. Second year in a row to have a dog night and for 2020 we should look to do something different. Thanks to Mag Malone, the Troy's and Pat Sutton for the work on the dog night.

This year the Ladies didn't do their usual few bag packs or competitions possibly partly due to the diverted effort into the dinner dance. Ideally the ladies would come up with a main fundraiser that they could call their own for each year.

The lottery struggling a bit but holding its own. This year the jackpot built up to the €10k cap and that should free up a little bit of income until the jackpot is won again.

Meadow Court were generous again as were the Howards. Austin Brannock did a great job on the intel funding. Kilsarren made a good contribution again this year and a Kilsarren sign was erected at the pitch.

Balls for all the U12 and younger and four sets of jerseys to a value of c. €5.2k were acquired in the year. There was around €600 of credit in the O'Neills account from the O'Neills Club Shop % we get and the balance was anonymously sponsored. We thank the sponsor for that.

When you look at the income and expenditure there is a gap that needs to be filled and I would ask that everyone please focus on the Quantum Draw for the next two months.

The Chair thanked Mag Malone, Louise McGuirk and Pat Sutton for driving the fundraising committee, and thank the stalwarts of fundraising, Mary Val Dillon, Paddy Behan, Ger Fox, Val Dillon, Mickey Harnett, Dean Slattery, Des Brannock, Peadar Kane, Liam Troy, Betty Bradley and all the lottery sellers.

Secretary Support

Before I finish my address, this year in carrying out my duties as chair I received extraordinary help from our new secretary Mag Malone, she took to it like a duck to water and has taken the secretary role to a whole new level. She has been brilliant and thank you Mag for making my job easy.

Close

Finally, to finish off my Chairperson, again I would like to thank the community, sponsors and fundraisers for their ongoing support for the Club.

Club Property / Trustees

The process of registering a single Corporate Trustee for the Club, as approved at 2018's AGM, is ongoing. It should be completed early 2020 but has to do it in a manner that doesn't impact on any current grant applications.

Annual Membership Fees

No proposal was submitted to the meeting. Compliance is currently at c. 99% and significant progress had been made on compliance over the last number of years.

Hugh O'Byrne suggested that we should consider increasing the fee and following discussion it was agreed that it would be reviewed during the year and a proposal put to next years AGM for 2021.

Motions

Notice of meeting was circulated to members and no motions in relation to the Club Constitution or for County Convention were received.

The Following Sub committees are proposed for 2020 by the current committees:

Recommended: Fundraising Sub-Committee:

Pat, Mag, Louise, Mikey, Paddy, have don a great job and the proposal for the new Executive is to leave it as is. And new members always welcome.

Pat Sutton (Chair), Louise McGuirk, Mag Malone, Mickey Harentt, Paddy Bean.
Door open for new members.

Recommended: Underage Sub-Committee:

Mark Prendergast & Derry Enright are stepping away after a decade or so and we would sincerely like to thank them for all their efforts and commitment. Mark & Derry took over the mantel from Alan Troy and James Keane and with a lot of work and commitment have done a fantastic job. Both will continue to be involved in Club.

Chair:	Noel Sammon
Secretary:	Club Secretary Mag Malone
South Board:	TBA
Board Na NOg	TBA

Coaches / Provisional:

U6 & 7 - Trish Tobin, Jenna Brannock

U8 & U9 - ???

U10 - Conor Cunnane, Nicky Cousins

U11 – Austin Brannock, Tom Toft

U12 & 13 – Mervyn Farrell, John Troy

U14 – Austin Brannock, Gabriel Malone, Mark Byrne, Kieran Kiely

U15 - ???

U16 - Michael Stynes, Paddy Behan, Ger Fox.

Noel Sammon is the proposed Chair for 2020 and the secretary role will be combined with Club Secretary. A bit of work is required to get coaches for the U8's U9's and U14's and some people to represent the club at the South Board and Board Na NOg meetings. The floor welcomed Noels involvement as Chair and it is great to see parents of younger players getting more involved. Due to the low number of players coming from Ballyshannon school the GPO did not go there over the last year. The number of children currently coming to Suncroft GFC from Ballyshannon is very small however there is an upsurge in the number of kids starting school in Ballyshannon and Noel will review this again and see if the Club, with the GPO, can recruit better from Ballyshannon.

Recommended: Ladies Sub-Committee:

Karen Ennis is stepping away from the committee after a decade or so and Clare after two years. The club would sincerely like to thank Karen for all her effort over the decade. She stuck to the task during good and bad times and is leaving the ladies committee in great condition for those that follow. The Club also thanked Clare for her steady hand at the helm for the last two years. Both are still going to be involved in Club.

Chair:	Sandra Dillon (Val)
Secretary:	Club Secretary Mag Malone
Registrar	Rita Kehoe
County LGFA delegates:	Kevin Fennelly and Johnny McGuirk.

Coaches / Provisional:

U8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 ??
U14 & 15 – Ciara Prendergast, John Browne
U16 – Deirdre McDonald
U18 – Deirdre Hurley, Kevin Brannock
Senior – Deirdre Hurley

Sandra Dillon is the proposed Chair for 2020 and the secretary role will be combined with Club Secretary. A bit of work is required to get coaches for the U8's to U13's. Fidelma Ryan had done great work with the girls at these ages over the last few years and unfortunately had to step away. The floor welcomed Sandra's involvement as Chair and again it is great to see parents of younger players getting more involved.

Recommended: Senior Lads Setup Sub-Committee:

Chair	Mick Kehoe
Player Rep	Dean Slattery
Player Rep	Ciaran Troy
Club Rep	Michael Harnett
Club Rep	Des Brannock

There was a bit of a shakeup of the management of the senior team at the end of last year and work is ongoing on giving it a stir up again for 2020.

A couple of key players will not be available for 2020 and this will make 2020 even more difficult.

Depending on how things pan out again, results could be very hard to come by, but it's a great opportunity for lads to step up. If we can continue to increase numbers, fitness and performance levels the results will follow, in time.

Val Dillon queried the cost of having a trainer/manager and a strength and conditioning person and would it be cheaper to have just one person and some club additional members involved. The committee is working on 2020 and will as always try to get a senior management team in place that will continue to improve the platform for young and returning players and will do that at the lowest possible cost to the club.

Des Brannock stated that the committee and executive are always open to suggestions and proposals in relation to individuals who are interested in getting involved in the management of the senior team.

A major difficulty for the last number of years is the absence of people willing to make the necessary commitment, which averages around 2.5 hours three times a week for eight months.

As with the other committees this committee will be appointed at the first meeting of the incoming executive. It was agreed that the first executive of this year (9th Jan 2018) was too close to the start of the season and things were already materially in place for the season before the committee was properly appointed.

The first Executive of the new committee should be earlier this year and having the AGM early in November facilitates that.

Election of Officers

Notice of meeting was circulated to members and no nominations were received.

Presidents: – Fr Barry Larkin, Rose Brannock, Tom Dillon, Val McDonagh, James Dillon, Eamon Ryan, John Moore & Mary Val Dillon.

Outgoing Executive To Recommend To AGM For Appointment

Child Welfare Officer:-	Flan Hassett
Irish & Culture Officer:-	Mary Fennelly
Designated Person:-	Louise McGuirk

	OUTGOING	INCOMING
<u>GAA AGM Appointments</u>		
Chairperson:-	Mick Kehoe Propose: Des Brannock	Mick Kehoe Second: Mary Val Dillon
Vice Chairperson:-	Des Brannock Propose: Mick Kehoe	Des Brannock Second: Val Dillon
Secretary:-	Margaret Malone Propose: Mick Kehoe	Margaret Malone Second: Louise McGuirk
Vice Secretary:-	Val Dillon Propose: Shane Kavanagh	Val Dillon Second: Des Brannock
Treasure:-	Pat Sutton Propose: Des Brannock	Pat Sutton Second: Shane Kavanagh
Assistant Treasurer:-	Paddy Behan Propose: Des Brannock	Paddy Behan Second: Shane Kavanagh
Registrar:-	Rita Kehoe Propose: Louise McGuirk	Rita Kehoe Second: Clare Keon
PRO:-	Hugh O’Byrne Propose: Shane Kavanagh	Hugh O’Byrne Second: Mick Kehoe
Players Representative:-	Dean Slattery and Ciaran Troy Propose: Mick Kehoe	Ciaran Troy & Dean Slattery Second: Des Brannock
<u>Other Roles</u>		
Healthy Club Officer:-	Noel Sammon – Executive appointment	VACANT

Field co-ordinator:-	Alan Troy	Propose: Mick Kehoe	Alan Troy Second: Johnny McGuirk
Coaching & Development Officer:-	Mark Prendergast	Propose: Mick Kehoe	Noel Sammon Second: Des Brannock
County Board Delegate/s:-	Johnny McGuirk, Val Dillon & James Keane		Johnny McGuirk, Val Dillon & James Keane. Propose: Mary Val Dillon Second: Ollie Brannock

New Executive To Appoint

Chair Underage Committee:-	Mark Prendergast	Noel Sammon
Chair Ladies Committee:-	Clare Keon	Sandra Dillon
Chair Fundraising Committee:-	Pat Sutton	Pat Sutton
Chair Senior Setup:-	Mick Kehoe	Club Chair

Any Other Business:

New GAA County Championship Structure. Suncroft to support change.

Medals – Family of Paddy Dunne from the 40's and early 50's. These to be mounted securely and put on display. Some research required on the player and the medals.

It was noted that Michael (Hiker) Stynes and family sincerely thanked the club for the support given on the passing of his father.

It was confirmed that the transfer window in Kildare closes at the end of January. Suncroft had a player interested in joining last year but unfortunately it was too late by the time that the player expressed an interest and the County Board would not accept a late submission.

Meeting Ended.....



Secretary's Report for year 2019 Presented by Club Secretary Margaret Malone

A Chairde Ghaeil,

I would like to welcome everyone here to the clubs 130th Annual General Meeting.

Some of the highlights during the year include:

- ✚ The club had circa 277 players that represented the club on the field of play. Some 164 males and 113 female players who played in over 210 games.
- ✚ Suncroft CÚL Camp was a great success again with over 100 players in attendance. Thanks to Tanya Duignan for all her hard work organising this successful event.
- ✚ The new training area came into use.

Club Honours 2019

After an amazing eight county titles in 2018 it was going to be hard in 2019 with so many teams stepping up the divisions.

To date in 2019:

- The club has won one county title and that was the Lads U17 D3 League.
- We won the senior D4 Shield
- We got to 4 finals: U18 League Division 4, U16 A Championship, U13 league D4, U12 league D2 shield

Still to complete:

- U18 Ladies Minor Championship
- U13, U15 and U17 Lads Championship

At county level we have no silverware this year but the club was again well represented across all the LGFA and GAA age grades. We had 21 wow players donning the county jersey and did make it to two Leinster finals (Eoghan Lawless & David Sutton with the Kildare Juniors & Aislinn Dooley & Eve Kehoe with the Kildare Minors).

Underage

Thank you to coaches and parents who have given their time to the Underage during the year and for all the support the Underage received. There is fantastic work being done at this level. It is important that we get more people to help out in order to maintain this.

Thank you to the Underage committee under the stewardship of Mark Prendergast and Derry Enright, for their work and commitment during the year.

Ladies

Thank to everyone who has given of their time to the Ladies during the year and for all the support the Ladies received. The senior ladies' promotion to D1 league and Senior championship football in 2018 was a fantastic achievement and they more than justified their status in 2019 and only just missed out on League & Championship semi-finals places.

Across all the ages the Club is performing well and if we can get a couple more coaches involved again, we can build on this in 2020.



I would like to thank the Ladies committee and all the mentors, under the stewardship of Clare Keon, Louise McGuirk and Karen Ennis, for their amazing work and commitment during the year.

Adult Gents

I would also like to thank those who have given of their time to the Senior Men's teams during the year and for all the support the men teams received. Following on from the 2017 AGM a committee was put in place to examine the senior men's structures and teams and I know that a lot of work has been done during the last two year to create a platform on which a competitive team can develop.

In particular I would like to thank Mickey Harnett, Ciaran Troy, Dean Slattery, Des Brannock and Mick Kehoe all of whom are members of the committee for the last two years. I would also like to acknowledge and thank Niall Whyte, Tommy Sheehan, Alan Middleton and Danny Whelan for their work with the senior team. I would also like to thank Seamus Dillon, Johnny McGuirk and Denis King for their work with the U18's and senior reserve team.

With eleven wins and eleven losses there were some good days and some bad days with the senior lads. With so many seasoned players unavailable for a lot of the season and bringing through so many young players the league was for learning. Intermediate status was again a challenge but it was secured again for 2020.

The platform and team are making progress and with some 33 players in 2019, with an average age of 22, and 8 more minors coming through for 2020 I would be hopeful of seeing the start of an upturn in results in 2020.

Games Promotion Officer (GPO)

Our GPO is Mark Fitzharris in in his second year with us. Mark is a, third level qualified, full time coach who was hired by Leinster GAA, not Kildare GAA or Suncroft GFC. He is available to Suncroft GFC for a day per week and the vast majority of his time is spent in Sunroft and Ballysax National Schools. The Club had an additional 45 players join in its first year of the GPO. This year the numbers have held up again (+2) and schools have also had some successes again.

Thanks to Mark Fitzharris for his great work and to Mark Prendergast for getting the GPO programme up and running and coordinating it.

Fundraising and the Fundraising Committee

This year there was the annual draws, raffles, lottery, dog night, golf and the Quantum Draw which is ongoing until the end of December.

Again the Howard family, Sean Murphy and the Murphy weekend were generous in their annual contribution to Suncroft GFC.

The Dog Night, once again this year, was a good social occasion.

The Golf Classic was the biggest fundraiser this year. The Well came on board as the main sponsor for the Golf Classic again and Dominics generous and early involvement in the organisation of the Golf was the main reason it turned out to be a great success again. Thank you to Domenic, Mick Kehoe and organisers for making this so successful.

Thank you to all the sponsors of both fundraisers, especially our local businesses that support us year after year. I ask that all members support and promote the businesses and services of all of our



sponsors, big and small and ensure as much as we can that the sponsors do get recognition and a return for their involvement with the club.

A massive thank you to all the ticket sellers, be it in car parks, the local pub, at the events or elsewhere! Selling tickets is not an easy job and all your hard work is appreciated. And of course to ticket buyers for the various draws and events, thank you for buying the tickets and turning up to the likes of the Dog Night or to play golf.

The Quantum Draw is our current fundraiser running. We have great potential to raise big money if we can sell all 2000 tickets with the support of the club members and the community.

The Fundraising committee is mainly made up of Louise McGuirk, Pat Sutton and myself. Thanks to Louise and Pat for their support and hard work.

Gate Collections & County Board Delegate

Thanks to Paddy Behan and Ger Fox for their work on the gate collections and to Johnny McGuirk for representing the Club as County board Delegate during the year.

Sponsorship

This year Meadow Court Stud were on board again as the main Club Sponsor. In addition to the sets of jerseys that were sponsored for the ladies last year there were four new sets of jerseys for the underage this year. It is great for the club to have this main sponsor in place and this solid funding is helping the club to plan better. Thank you to Meadow Court Stud for coming on board with Suncroft GFC and hopefully we can build a relationship that stretches long into the future. I would also like to thank Kilsaran for their ongoing support.

Lottery

There are 150 different winners this year so far, no jackpot winner. 11 different promoters have won. The Jackpot now stands at €10,000.

Unfortunately, the income from the lottery is down a good bit this year due to a number of factors. There is a growing number of clubs and charities in the community and the available money is getting spread thinner, another lottery started and probably the biggest factor was that Paddy Behan and Ger Fox were out of action for parts of the year. On behalf of the Club I would like to thank all the people who sold and bought lottery tickets and in particular thank Betty, Diane, Eamon, Frank, Lesley, Liam, Louise, Lynn, Mary, Pader and of course Ger Fox and Paddy Behan who are the backbone of the lottery.

PRO

This year Hugh O'Byrne took over as PRO for the club and has done a fantastic job. The news is in the papers every week and our facebook, website, twitter and instagram accounts are always current and up to date. At the minute we have 2,448 facebook followers, 1,478 twitter followers, 302 instagram followers and our website was used 1,747 people over the last year.

On behalf of the Club thanks Hugh for all the great work.



Healthy Club Officer

Noel Sammon came on board during the year as Health Club Officer. This is a new role within the GAA structure that looks at better community health and involvement as well as the club. We look forward to new developments in this area in 2020.

Child welfare

The club made great strides with Garda Vetting in 2019. This is now a legal requirement. The GAA's Child Protection course is now a requirement rather than an option and again great progress has been made this year.

On behalf of the club I would like to thank Flan Hassett for the great effort he has put in this year to get us up to speed and for the professional manner in which the few issues that arose were handled. Flan is a great asset to the Club and I am pleased that Flan has agreed to continue in this role for 2020.

Facilities Development

Some great work was done on the new training area, main pitch and lights over 2018 and 2019. There is a small handout outlining the work which Mick will go through shortly.

Approval has been received by the Curragh Area Employment Scheme for two part time helpers for Suncroft GFC but to date no one has applied for the roles. The scheme is aimed at over 21's and they will get an extra payment and training as part of the scheme. If anyone knows anyone that is currently unemployed and might be interested, please put them in touch.

Conclusion

2019 was again a busy year for the club with teams competing at all levels. To all team managers, coaches, selectors and players who gave up their time and hard work to ensure that we continue to be a very competitive club, we say thanks to all. I would like to thank my fellow Club Officers, and committee for their hard work help and support throughout the year.

Thank you to Mick Kehoe for the support and guidance he has given me during my first year as secretary. I have no doubt there were occasions he was throwing the eyes up to heaven at my unusual questions when he was on the other end of the phone but thanks Mick for your patience and control in these situations!

Thank you to all who help out with day to day running of the club, including those who have obliged in doing umpire and linesmen at home and away matches and also when called on by the County Board. Once again, I offer our sincere thanks to our families, the wider community for all your support and commitment throughout the year.

There will be a bit of work on the Quantum Draw until December and then, the club will look forward to getting the show on the road again for 2020 and hopefully we will win some silver along the way. We hope to have your continued support as we continue to build and develop this fantastic football club that we are all so proud to be part of.

Suncroft GFC

Crochta na Gréine

Established 1889



Finally, to anybody I forgot to thank then please, accept my apology for the oversight.

Mise le Meas,

Mairéad Ní Maoileoin

C/o Suncroft Community Centre, Askinraw Lane, Suncroft, Kildare



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Suncroft GFC
Income and Expenditure Account
For the 11 months ended 9 November 2019

Income	9/11/19		19/11/18	
	€	€	€	€
Grants				
SCD grants	31,504.00		73,496.00	
GAA/KCC grants	<u>9,000.00</u>	40,504.00	<u>7,600.00</u>	81,096.00
Sponsorship				
Meadow Court Stud sponsorship	5,775.00		6,000.00	
Tony Howard sponsorship	2,392.00		3,093.22	
JP McManus donation	0		1,785.71	
Murphy w/e	740.00		0	
Kilsaran sponsorship	750.00		750.00	
Intel grant	<u>3,555.02</u>	13,212.02	<u>9,324.60</u>	20,953.53
Fundraising				
lottery tickets	5,275.00		4,767.18	
Golf Classic	5,188.40		6,700.00	
Dog night	3,222.50		4,506.00	
Kildare car draw	2,275.00		2,750.00	
National car draw	1,590.00		1,630.00	
Clothes collection	0		217.50	
Poker night	0		400.00	
Quiz night	0		575.00	
Dinner dance	-354.50		0	
General fundraising ladies/men	244.50		1,685.00	
Gate receipts	390.00		635.00	
Match tickets	105.00		0	
Quantum Draw	<u>-45.27</u>	17,890.63	<u>0</u>	23,865.68
Membership				
Adults	260.00		450.00	
Family	3,135.00		3,180.00	
Lotto membership	9,249.00		9,533.00	
Senior player ladies	650.00		850.00	
Senior player male	1,330.00		1,655.00	
Underage boys	2,770.00		2,780.00	
Underage girls	<u>2,400.00</u>	19,794.00	<u>2,600.00</u>	21,048.00
total income		91,400.65		146,963.21
Expenditure				
Bank Fees		365.07		369.53
Clan Credo loan interest		974.20		1,190.75
GAA loan interest		462.85		506.38
Paypal fees		475.81		532.54
Stripe fees		87.60		0
Club Kildare		276.65		326.95
Coaching costs		3,300.00	not paid out yet	3,300.00
Field Development		46,580.67		77,364.70
Field maintenance		695.93		686.58
Grass Cutting		3,500.00	not paid out yet	6,260.00
Hawkfield		2,064.15		2,064.15
Insurance		4,725.00		4,140.00
Senior costs		15,418.70		15,673.99
Ladies costs		9,350.08		13,151.04
Underage costs		3,873.63		7,134.19
Mass cards		65.00		36.00
Rent		2,757.58		3,600.00
Software / printing / stationery costs		646.00		1,061.10
Advertising		0		358.10
Donations		0		100.00
Lotto payout provision (€10k)		2,166.65	not paid out yet	7,833.35
total expenditure		97,785.57		145,689.35
Surplus / (Deficit)		-6,384.92		1,273.86

Balance Sheet
Suncroft GFC
As at 9 November 2019

	9 Nov 2019	19 Nov 2018
Assets		
Bank		
Bank c/a	2,005.61	31,590.86
Bank savings a/c	13,114.11	10,214.11
Paypal a/c	307.82	3,563.14
Stripe a/c	100.00	0.00
Total Bank	15,527.54	45,368.11
Fixed Assets		
Land	60,000.00	60,000.00
Total Fixed Assets	60,000.00	60,000.00
Total Assets	75,527.54	105,368.11
Liabilities		
Provision for grass cutting & coaching	10,300.00	0.00
Provision for Lotto Payout	10,000.00	7,833.35
Clan Credo	0.00	31,485.15
GAA Loan	19,464.64	23,901.79
Total Liabilities	39,764.64	63,220.29
Net Assets	35,762.90	42,147.82
Equity		
Current Year (deficit)/surplus	-6,384.92	1,273.86
Retained Surplus	42,147.82	40,873.96
Total Equity	35,762.90	42,147.82



Suncroft GFC

Playing Surfaces Development

2018 / 2019



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SCOPE OF WORKS

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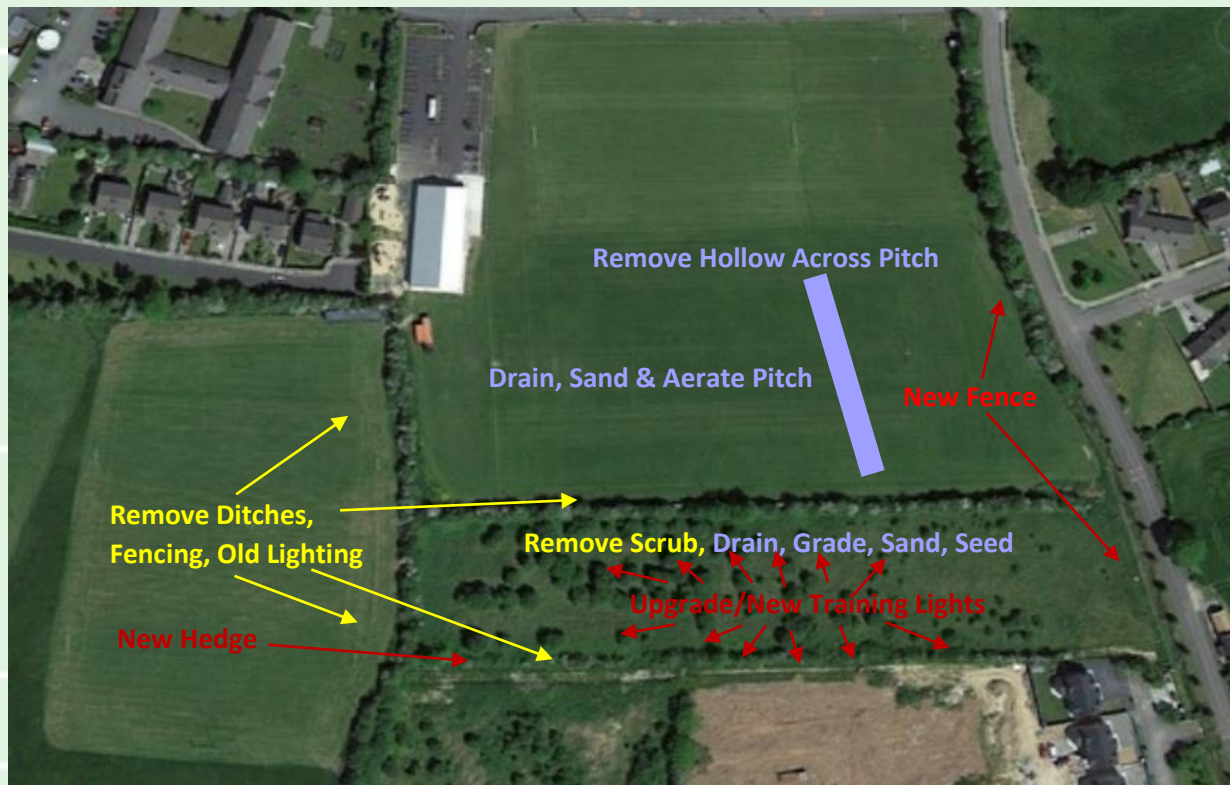
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FINANCE

PROJECT TEAM

SCOPE OF WORKS



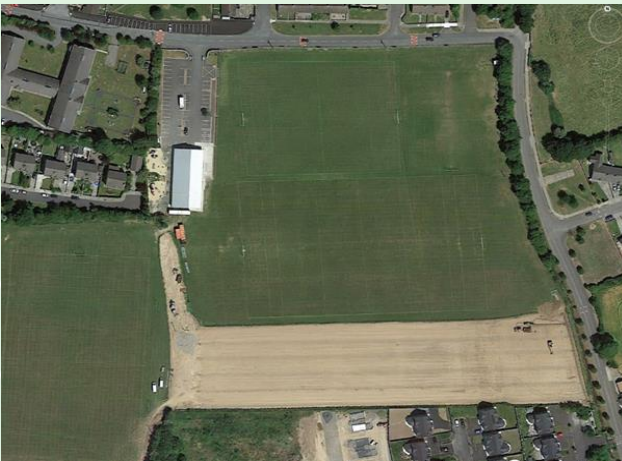
- 1) Remove ditches, hedges, scrub, old lighting and clear land.
- 2) Drainage to new training / underage area, including drain for future development of second / back pitch.
- 3) Surface grading, sanding and seeding of new training / underage area.
- 4) New hedge.
- 5) New fence.
- 6) Remove hollow across lower half of main pitch.
- 7) Drain main pitch.
- 8) Sand and aerate main pitch.
- 9) Upgraded / New lighting to training area.

BEFORE



DURING







AFTER





FINANCE

Costs

Independent Project Engineers - SGS (requirement of funding)	}	€	126,110
Site & Ditch Clearance			
Drainage, Ground Works & Seeding Training Area			
Laurel Hedge			
Repair Main Pitch			
Drainage Main Pitch			
Sand & Aeration Main Pitch			
Perimeter Fence (fencing panels donated)			
Training Lights (6 poles & overall installation donated)			
Bridging Loan Fees & Interest Costs (€2,165)			

External Funding

Sports Capital Grant	€	105,000
Leinster GAA Club Grant	€	9,000
Kildare County Council Grant	€	7,600
	€	121,600

Club Funded 2018 / 2019 € **4,510**

PROJECT TEAM

Project Manager –	Andy Hynes
Project Team -	Alan Troy
	Kevin Brannock
	John Troy
	Derry Enright
	Colm Kane
	Pat Sutton
	Shane Kavanagh
	Mick Kehoe
Main Contractor -	Dar Golf Construction
Project Engineers -	Sports Grounds Solutions
Fencing & Hedge -	Greenstone Development
Lighting -	Troy Electrical

Thanks to Patrick Kelly and Paddy Jordan for facilitating access through their properties for all the works traffic.