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Date: 4th January 2015

Dear Sir,

You will be aware that since our initial meetings and subsequent correspondence that things have somewhat moved to a new level regarding the Blanchflower Complex.

Since our original discussions, the club have;

- Developed a concept plan for 1 part of the site
- Prepared an executive business plan for the proposed project
- Submitted a planning application for phase 1 of the project (and that element which could secure funding from DCAL)
- Employed a QS to develop some early costs projections for the concept.

The club have appointed Liam McStravick as a Client Adviser. Liam has been helping us to work up our plans and concepts, meet with a range of key stakeholders and political representatives, and begin the process of meeting with funding agencies to make phase 1 of the project a reality.

The aforesaid is also representing the interests of other Northern Ireland football league clubs seeking to secure funding from DCAL.

A steering committee has been established with membership representing Councillors, local members of the Legislative Assembly and the local business community.

At our previous steering group meeting and on the advice of the political representatives present, it was suggested we request to meet the Parks and Leisure Committee in order to make a ten minute presentation followed by a question and answer period. It is hoped this could be accommodated at the February Parks and Leisure Committee meeting.

Our delegation would consist of the following:

John Davidson and Fred Magee - H&W Welders
Liam McStravick – Copius Consulting / NIFL
Paul Durnien – Designer / QS

Yours faithfully

John Davidson
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