Development Management Officer Report Committee Application

Summary		
Committee Meeting Date: 17th January 2017		
Application ID: LA04/2015/1561/F		
Proposal: Provision of new 3G MUGA with 10m high flood-lighting, 7m hurling wall and 4.8m boundary fence with 2.2m netting above. Reconstruction of existing terracing, construction of 2new dug-outs and resurfacing of existing carpark	Location: St Pauls GAC 98 Shaws Road Belfast BT11 9QR	
Referral Route: BCC Interest		
Recommendation: Approval		
Applicant Name and Address: St Pauls GAC 98 Shaws Road Belfast BT11 9QR	Agent Name and Address: McGurk Architects 33 King Street Magherafelt BT45 6AR	

Executive Summary:

The application seeks permission for provision of a new 3G MUGA with 10m high floodlighting, 7m hurling wall and 4.8m boundary fence with 2.2m netting above. Works also include the reconstruction of the existing terracing, construction of 2 new dugouts and resurfacing of the existing car park.

Area Plan

The site is zoned as existing Open Space in Belfast Metropolitan Area Plan 2015

The main issues to be considered are:

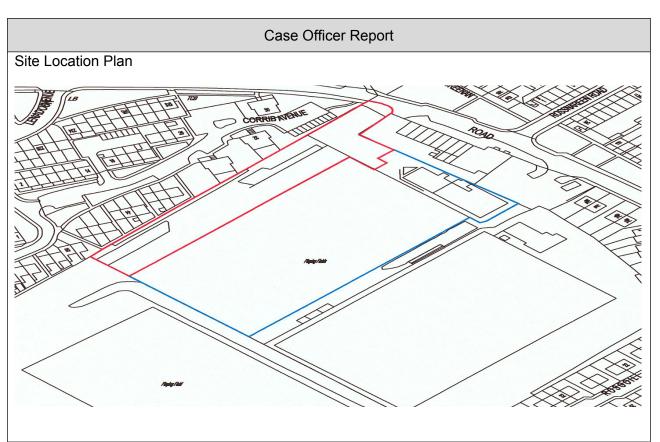
- The effect of the proposal upon the character and appearance of the area.
- Impact on amenity

The site is located within the development limits of Belfast as designated in the Belfast Metropolitan Area Plan 2015 and within an area zoned as Existing Open Space. The principle of the development is considered acceptable. The proposal will not result in a loss of open space and will not adversely affect the character of the area.

The proposal has been assessed against and complies with the following policies- Strategic Planning Policy Statement for Northern Ireland (SPPS), Planning Policy Statement 3: Access Movement, Parking and Planning Policy Statement 8: Open Space, Sport and Outdoor Recreation.

TransportNI has no objection subject to condition.

It is recommended that the application is approved subject to conditions as set out in the report.



1.0 Description of Proposed Development

The proposal is for provision of a new 3G MUGA with 10m high floodlighting, 7m hurling wall and 4.8m boundary fence with 2.2m netting above. Works also include the reconstruction of the existing terracing, construction of 2 new dugouts and resurfacing of the existing car park.

2.0 Description of Site

The site is located within the development limits of Belfast as designated in the Belfast Metropolitan Area Plan 2015 and within an area zoned as Existing Open Space. St Paul's GAC is an established recreational site with sports pitches already present on site. Residential properties are nearby

Planning Assessment of Policy and other Material Considerations

- 3.0 | Site History
- 3.1 Z/1999/2376- ST Paul's GAC, Erection of team changing rooms and addition of exit-permission granted
- 4.0 **Policy Framework**
- 4.1 Belfast Metropolitan Area Plan 2015
- 4.2 Strategic Planning Policy Statement for Northern Ireland
 Planning Policy Statement 3- Access, Movement and
 Planning Policy Statement 8 (PPS8)- Open Space, Sport and Outdoor

5.0	Statutory Consultees
5.1	None
6.0	Non-Statutory Consultees
6.1	Transport NI – No objection
6.2	Environmental Health- No Objection subject to conditions
7.0	Representations
7.1	None
8.0	Other Material Considerations
8.1	None

Assessment

Principle of Development

The proposal is for provision of a new 3G MUGA with 10m high floodlighting, 7m hurling wall and 4.8m boundary fence with 2.2m netting above. Works also include the reconstruction of the existing terracing, construction of 2 new dugouts and resurfacing of the existing car park.

The site is located within the development limits of Belfast as designated in the Belfast Metropolitan Area Plan 2015 and within an area zoned as Existing Open Space. The principle of the development is considered acceptable in what is designated open space area with a number of established sports pitches. The proposal will not result in a loss of open space and will not adversely affect the character of the area.

The proposal has been assessed against Planning Policy Statement 3. TransportNI offers no objection to this proposal subject to condition

The proposal has been assessed against OS4, OS5 and OS7 of Planning Policy Statement 8. The proposed 3G MUGA is located within an established recreational site with sports pitches already present on site. Three 10m high flood lighting columns are located at the side of the pitch. 7m high hurling wall

Design

The proposed development will create a 3G pitch, this will be a small training area and not used to accommodate football matches. This existing grass pitch is to be removed. The existing spectator terrace will be moved and redeveloped with the introduction of 2 new dug outs. A 7m high hurling wall is also proposed. A 2.4m retaining wall will run the length of the 3G pitch. A 2.4m high close boarded fence will be erected on top of the retaining wall. A 2.2m high netting is proposed on top of the fence. Although the retaining wall is 2.4m in height as it is cut into the existing slope, the top of the wall will sit no higher than the finished floor level of the adjacent dwelling. Having said that the nature of the topography and the rear gardens means that part if not all of the 2.4m high closed boarded fence will be visible from the rear of the dwellings. However there is already as significant fence along the party boundary and any adjacent impact on amenity should not be unduly significant. The addition of 2.2m high netting will create a barrier of a significant scale, however given the density of the netting there should be no significant loss of light or domineering affect. This will also reduce noise nuisance and disturbance to nearby residents in Corrib Avenue.

OS7 relates to floodlighting and states the following criteria:

- There is no unacceptable impact on the amenities of people living nearby,
- There is no adverse impact on the visual amenity or character of the locality and
- Public safety is not prejudiced

3 floodlights 10m in height are proposed around the 3G Pitch. The floodlights are near residential properties therefore a lighting assessment was requested by Environmental Health On balance the visual impact of the floodlights will not therefore be significantly adverse or compromise the character of the area.

OS5 relates to noise generating sports and outdoor recreational activities and states the following criteria:

- There is no unacceptable level of disturbance to people living nearby or conflict with other noise sensitive uses.
- There is no unacceptable level of disturbance to farm livestock and wildlife and
- There is no conflict with the enjoyment of environmentally sensitive features and locations or areas valued for their silence and solitude.

Belfast City Council Environmental Health requested a noise assessment to be carried out

Publicity

The application has been neighbour notified and advertised in the local press. Amended drawings were received and neighbours re notified of changes 04/01/2017 No comments have been received

Consultations

TransportNI

The proposal is within an area zoned as open space in the Belfast Metropolitan Area Plan. The nature of the proposal is in keeping with the established use on site. There will be no unduly significant impact on amenity.

Having regard to the policy context the proposal is considered acceptable and planning permission is recommended.

5.0 **Conditions**

5.1 The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of 5 years from the date of this permission.

Reason: As required by Section 61 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011.

The hard surfaced parking areas shall be constructed and permanently marked in accordance with approved Drawing No.03A bearing the date stamp Planning Service Received 30 September 2016. No part of these hard surfaced areas shall be used for any purpose at any time other than for the parking and movement of vehicles.

Reason To ensure adequate in-curtilage parking in the interests of road safety and the convenience of road users.

ANNEX		
Date Valid	7th December 2015	
Date First Advertised	18th December 2015	
Date Last Advertised		

Details of Neighbour Notification (all addresses)

The Owner/Occupier,

32A Corrib Avenue, Ballymoney, Belfast, Antrim, BT11 9JB,

The Owner/Occupier,

32B Corrib Avenue, Ballymoney, Belfast, Antrim, BT11 9JB,

The Owner/Occupier,

32C Corrib Avenue, Ballymoney, Belfast, Antrim, BT11 9JB,

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91 Shaws Road,Ballymoney,Belfast,Antrim,BT11 9PS,		
Date of Last Neighbour Notification		
	4th January 2017	
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Date of EIA Determination		
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ES Requested

Yes /No

Planning History

Ref ID: Z/2013/0073/F

Proposal: Environmental improvement scheme to include shop frontage upgrade, resurfacing, rationalising parking, boundary treatments, soft planting and lighting.

Address: 78-94 Shaws Road, Belfast, BT11,

Decision: PG

Decision Date: 17.01.2014

Ref ID: Z/1973/0119

Proposal: CONVERSION TO 3 FLATS

Address: 2/4 BALTIC AVENUE

Decision:
Decision Date:

Ref ID: Z/1999/2376

Proposal: Erection of team changing rooms and addition of exit

lobby to existing clubroom.

Address: ST PAULS GAC, SHAWS ROAD, BELFAST, BT11

Decision:
Decision Date:

Ref ID: Z/2007/2687/A

Proposal: 2 no. 48 sheet advertising hoarding.

Address: Adjacent to 78 Shaws Road, Ballymoney, Belfast, Northern Ireland, BT11 9QJ

Decision:

Decision Date: 28.02.2008

Ref ID: Z/2005/1220/F

Proposal: Extension to rear of Unit 7 to extend bookmakers.

Address: Units 6 and 7, 94 Shaws Road, Ballymoney, Belfast, Northern Ireland, BT11

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Decision:

Decision Date: 23.08.2005

Ref ID: Z/2005/1153/F

Proposal: Change of use of existing retail unit No.7 to bookmakers, to be used as

additional area for the existing bookmakers in adjoining unit No.6.

Address: Unit 7,94 Shaws Road, Ballymoney, Belfast, Northern Ireland, BT11 9PR

Decision:

Decision Date: 15.08.2005

Ref ID: Z/2003/1205/F

Proposal: Extension to existing shop and storage area.

Address: Hillhead Shopping Centre, Shaws Road, Belfast, BT11

Decision:

Decision Date: 07.01.2004

Ref ID: Z/2005/1184/F

Proposal: Extension to existing retail unit.

Address: Unit 8, 94 Shaws Road, Belfast, BT11 9PR

Decision:

Decision Date: 15.08.2005

Ref ID: Z/1974/0965

Proposal: ERECTION OF CLUB HOUSE AND DRESSING ROOMS

Address: STEWARTSTOWN PARK (SPORTS GROUND)

Decision:
Decision Date:

Ref ID: Z/2000/0465/F

Proposal: 2 No.40 metre long by 10.8 metre high nets to provide ball stops at existing

playing fields.

Address: 25A Stewartstown Avenue, Belfast

Decision:

Decision Date: 09.06.2000

Ref ID: Z/1993/2283

Proposal: Erection of 2.4m high palisade fence with turnspike on

top

Address: APPROXIMATELY 1M INSIDE EXISTING FENCE TO REAR OF 56-90

CORRIB AVENUE AND 27-61 STEWARTSTOWN AVENUE,

Decision:
Decision Date:

Ref ID: Z/2007/0630/F

Proposal: Environmental Improvements.

Address: 414 to 450 Glen Road, 4 to 40 Dungloe Crescent, 14 to 18 Naroon Park, 220

to 252 & 150 to 170 Lenadoon Ave and 101 to 115 (odd No's) Shaws Road.

Decision:

Decision Date: 21.11.2007

Ref ID: LA04/2015/1561/F

Proposal: Provision of new 3G MUGA with flood-lighting, reconstruction of existing

terracing, construction of new 2No. dug-outs.

Address: St Pauls GAC, 98 Shaws Road, Belfast, BT11 9QR,

Decision:
Decision Date:

Summary of Consultee Responses

Drawing Numbers and Title

01A Site Location02 Existing Block Plan03b Proposed Plans

Notification to Department (if relevant)

Date of Notification to Department: Response of Department: