

Astro Pitch



ASTRO Pitch on the Basketball Courts

Area in question is 50m x 30m

2.4m high fence with a further 2.6m netting

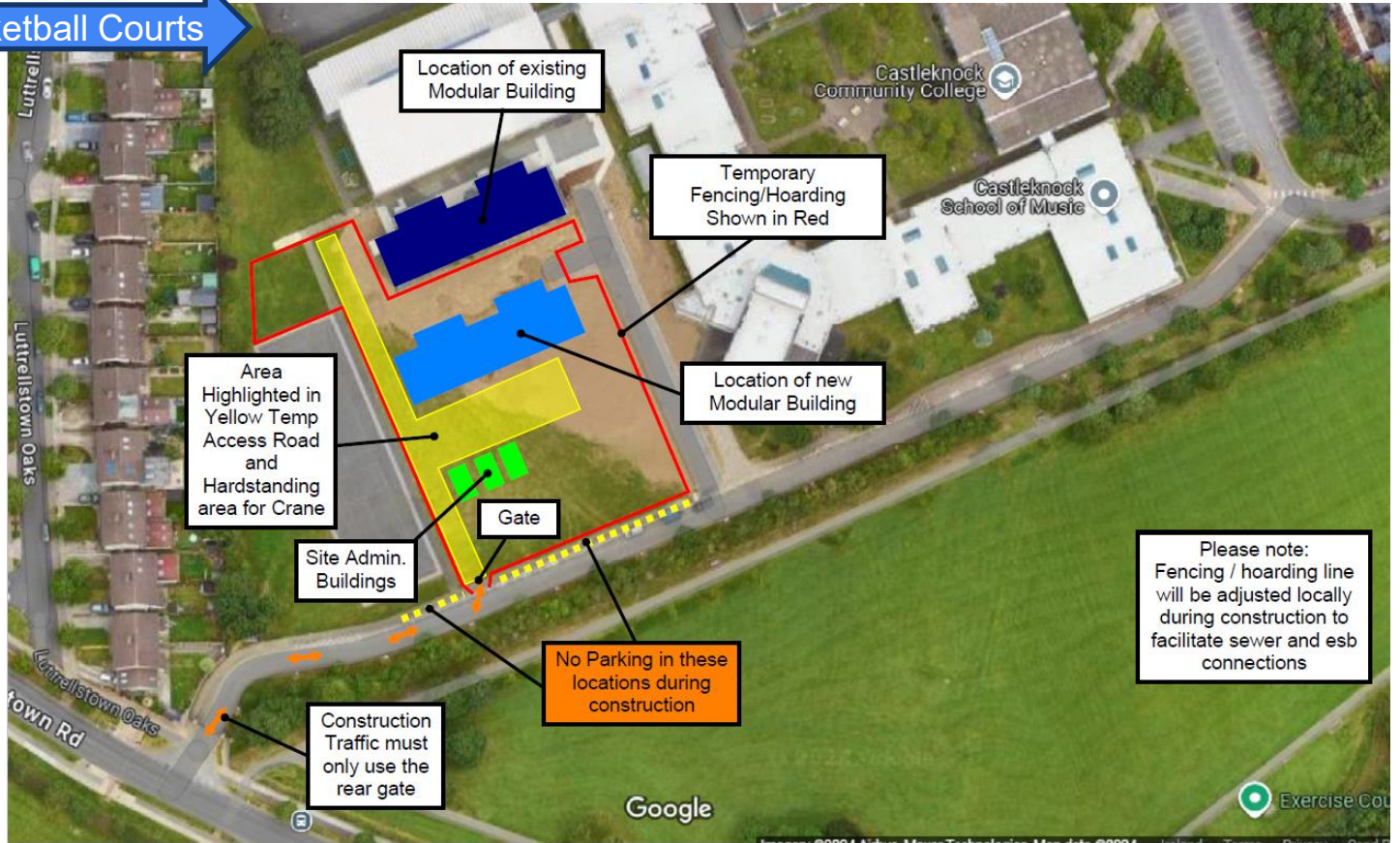
Area needs to be well drained to placed astro on existing surface

Rent to local organisations (this is a requirement if we are applying for a Sport Development Grant – GAA current relationship)

The current suggestion is to have no lights, to achieve lights will require an additional planning application, this can be controversial with local community and neighbors.

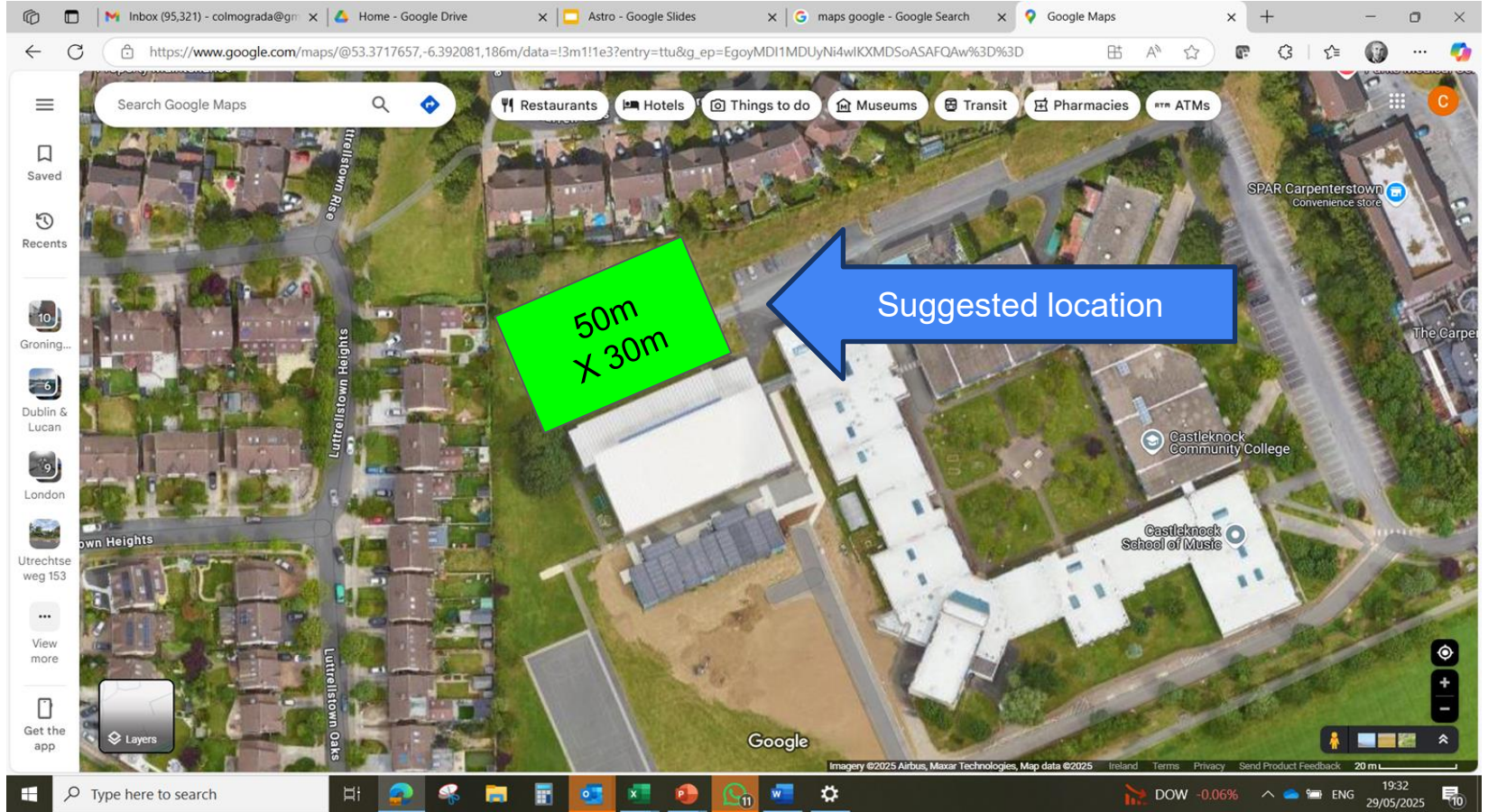
Basketball Courts

Proposed location subject to current services

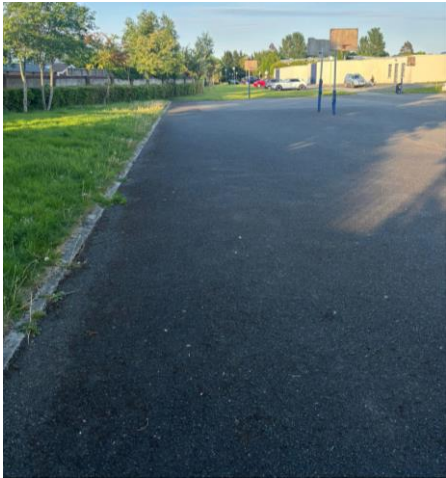


Proposed Site Set-Up for Castleknock Community College Modular Building Install - 23-10-2024

Propose location subject to current services



Basketball Courts



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Local options Castleknock College all weather 38m x 60m

Curtain down the centre with goals built into the fence

Two small aside games and one full sided game

Total fence is 5 metres with no top net.



Castleknock College

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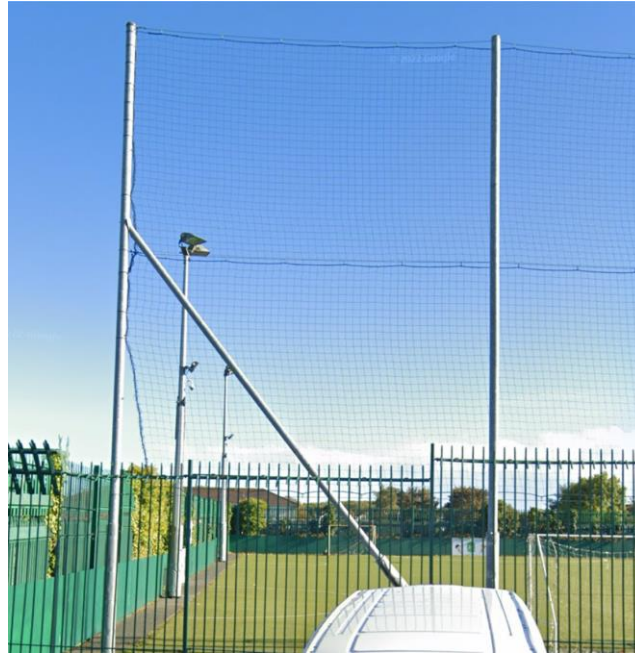
2.4 m high fence and 2.6 netting



Astro beside the church
48m x 26m

Fence is 6m plus in height with no top net.

Safe and secure with no unauthorised entry.





Castleknock Community College,
Carpenterstown Road,
Castleknock
Dublin 15

Thursday 29th May 2025

Dear Colm,

Further to your request, following please costs for the supply & installation of a new 3G all-weather training pitch to be constructed on the existing tennis courts/ basketball courts in the school grounds:

SYNTHETIC GRASS TRAINING PITCH: 51m x 32m (1,632m²)

PRELIMS

Site set up / mobilisation/ insurances/ skip E 1,300.00

SYNTHETIC GRASS SYSTEM

Supply & install 60mm custom quality synthetic grass system
Including sand/ rubber infill & in-laid lines E47,328.00

RETRACTABLE GOALS

Supply & install:
Two sets of 5-A-Side goals (4) & one set of 16ft x 6ft goals (2) E 8,270.00

FENCE/ GATE

Supply & install 32m of 2.4m high 868 mesh + maintenance gate
(including remedial work to tarmac bae E 7,420.00



Total cost circa
€105,000 + vat



Imagery from Pride S&L



PACKAGE DEAL

Package: Mini 12'x6' Retractable Soccer Goal

Code: **2091**

€2,440.00 ex VAT

Retractable soccer goals



Supply and install GAA 60mm approved carpet and shock pad €42.50 sqm plus vat €63,750 + vat 50m X 30m

Fencing 2.4 plus 2.6 netting

Supply and install 160 linear meters @ €300 per linear meters €48,000 + vat

Double gate €3050 + Vat

Single gate €1850 + Vat

Drill holes in base and prep for carpet €7,500 + vat



Total cost circa
€124,150 + vat



**Castleknock Community College
Co Dublin**

**Pitch Dimensions: 52 x 31m
Pitch Area: 1612m2**



Your Pitch, Our Passion

Description	Quantity	Unit	Rate	Total
Preliminaries				
Preliminaries include site establishment and setup, the Project Supervisor for Construction Stage (PSCS), the health and safety file, site and quality management, as well as independent testing of the sub-base.	1	Item	€2,050.00	€2,050.00
Groundworks & Drainage				
Pierce & prep the tarmac base to allow for drainage	1,612	m2	€2.08	€3,348.00
Supply and install of 300 x 300 french drain to surrounding pitch area.	166	lm	€25.92	€4,302.51
Shockpad				
Supply and install 10mm prefabricated shockpad to pitch.	1,612	m2	€6.00	€9,667.31
Carpet				
Supply and install PST Sport 60mm 3G Synthetic Grass . Infill with dried silica sand and crumb rubber. 8 Year Carpet Manufacturer's Warranty. Our carpet manufacturer is one of Only Four Global Manufactures with preferred producer status for FIFA, World Rugby & FIH (World Hockey Federation). PST Sport surfaces are also passed to GAA standards. This highlights our continued commitment to superior quality & excellence. (New GAA Requirements)	1,612	m2	€27.97	€45,094.22



Suggested Timeline for an Astro Pitch on School Grounds

Timeline Overview

Jan – Feb – Prep and submit planning application based on the specs of the astro pitch.

Feb – March - Prep for the Oscar application and source 3 quotes based on the planning application

March – May - Submit Application on Oscar

April – June - Planning application assessment and approval

March 27 – June 27 Assessment of the Sport Capital Grant Oscar and confirm availability of supplier to install Astro.

Total realistic timeframe 18 to 24 months



Funding Options

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Option 1 - Apply for a sports development grant (it is rumored that this will be launched in March, and this can take up to 24 months to get approval and funding once we are successful)

Option 2 - Source from Plant Sales x 3 and current fundraising, we may need to look at a once off event to support this initiative.

Option 3 - Source from Parents / Past Pupils -voluntary contribution



Planning Permission Process for an Astro Pitch on School Grounds

1. Pre-Planning Consultation (Optional but strongly recommended)

You or the school board meet with the local authority's planning department to:

- Outline the proposal
- Confirm whether full planning permission is required (usually yes)
- Identify key issues early (floodlighting, traffic, drainage, noise)
- This meeting is free and helps avoid delays later.

2. Commission Required Site Studies & Drawings

Before submitting the application, the school must obtain professional reports such as:

Mandatory:

- **Architectural drawings** (site layout, elevations, boundary treatments)
- **Site survey & levels**
- **Drainage and SUDS design** (Astro pitches need specialist drainage)
- **Planning application maps (Land Registry standards)**

➤ Commonly Required:

- **Traffic/parking assessment** (especially if the pitch may be used after school hours)
- **Noise assessment** (ball impact, use times)
- **Lighting plan** (if floodlights are proposed – strict regulations apply)
- **Sometimes Required:**
- **Archaeological screening**
- **Appropriate Assessment (AA) screening report**
- **Construction management plan**

3. Submit Planning Application

You submit through the local council with:

- Fully completed application form
- All drawings and reports
- Newspaper notice
- Site notice erected on school grounds
- Planning fee (based on type of structure)

4. Public Observation Period (5 weeks)

Neighbours and interested parties can make submissions.

Common concerns for sports projects include:

- Lighting spill
- Noise
- Increased traffic
- Hours of use
- A good pre-planning and communication strategy helps minimise objections.

5. Planner Assessment (Approx. 8–12 weeks)

The council's planning officer will:

- Review all documentation
- Conduct site visits
- Assess environmental & community impacts
- Consult internal specialists (roads, environment, biodiversity, drainage)
- They may request **Further Information (FI)** which pauses the clock.
- This is very common for sports developments.

Sports Development Grant – Checklist OSCAR

1. Registration

Organisation registered on **OSCAR**
Correct tax number added
Authorised officers listed

2. Land & Location

Proof of **ownership**
Written permission from landowner
Site map uploaded

3. Planning Permission

Planning permission **applied for**
OR letter confirming the project is **exempt**
Drawings and site layout ready

4. Documentation

School constitution
Bank account proof (bank statement header)
Insurance certificate
Child safeguarding statement (if relevant)
Financial statements or most recent accounts

5. Project Costing

3 quotes for larger items (usually > €5k)
Quotes are itemised + VAT inclusive
Costs match the application amount

6. Project Need & Impact

Short explanation of why the project is needed
Evidence of demand (numbers who will use it)
Community/shared-use benefits explained
Inclusion focus (youth, women/girls, disability, older adults)

7. OSCAR Application

Each section completed clearly
All documents uploaded
Application reviewed by two people
Submitted before deadline

9. After Submission

Monitor OSCAR inbox for queries
Respond quickly to requests for more information



ASTRO Pitch - Unknown

Permanent extension where is that?

Lights – Yes or No, should we submit or application with a provision of lights.

Access on weekends for local clubs, opening times

Height of the fence, overhead netting?

Planning permission – will we be successful

Employ local architect – Fund this through the PA

Power supply for keypad gate access

Maintenance –Annual cost



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