

## Proposal to Locate a Communications Tower at Ardclough GAA Club

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# The Motion to the 2022 AGM

To allow Cellnex proceed with an application for planning permission to erect a communications tower on the grounds of Ardclough GAA Club at a location on the edge of the site between the hurling wall and the planned new all-weather pitch, and to authorise the Club Officers and Trustees to enter into the necessary contractual arrangements with Cellnex to proceed with the planning permission application and if granted, the erection of the tower based on the agreed commercial terms.

Proposed By: John Ryan Seconded By: Paul Hogan

on behalf of the Executive Committee

### The Proposal to the Club



- Cellnex are seeking to lease land from Ardclough GAA to site a telecommunications tower which is needed in the area
- The proposed site is at the edge of our boundary between the Hurling Wall and the new All Weather pitch
- Cellnex have towers in place currently with over 30 GAA clubs
- There are 11,000 towers around Ireland currently

#### The Proposal to the Club



What would it mean for the antennae on the roof of the clubhouse?

- There are currently two operators on the roof *Eir* and *3 Mobile*
- The roof is not an ideal location and so 3 Mobile is seeking to find a site in the area for a tower.
- Cellnex represent 3 Mobile so if planning permission is obtained, they will move to the tower.
- Vodafone are seeking a site in the area and it is expected they will locate on this proposed tower
- It is not guaranteed that Eir will relocate to the tower but it is expected that they will come to a commercial agreement with Cellnex to relocate.
- If they don't relocate, the Club will continue to receive the current annual rent for as long as the agreement remains in place (subject to one year's notice)

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- Cellnex are responsible for the costs of planning, construction and maintenance of the tower and area around it.
- If planning permission is obtained, the Club would receive an initial lump sum payment of €80k
- If Vodafone are added the Club would receive a further payment of €40k
- If Eir relocate, the Club would receive a further payment of €100k
  - the current rental income from Phoenix for the roof mast would no longer be available to the Club.







