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Dear Parents, Guardians, Coaches, Supporters and Friends,

A quick update and summary for all on a few items and a huge thank you to all for their help in recent years.

The past 5 years has seen our club grow at an extraordinary rate. Since the opening of our new grounds in Suir Crescent in 2021 we have seen a record number of boys and girls, men and women enjoy the beautiful game, and wear the club colours in one of the 21 teams currently entered in local leagues. To achieve this kind of growth on and off the field, it has taken huge efforts by all, across all aspects of the club.

In 2018, after the first sod was turned on our new grounds, a newly formed Finance Committee set about the task of raising the funds to develop a state-of-the-art complex for future generations. With this in mind, the 300 Club Syndicate was formed and has been pivotal in helping to develop the grounds to date.

The amount spent on Suir Crescent will soon pass €450,000. This expenditure has covered drainage works, ball stop netting, security fencing, revamp of dressing rooms, LED floodlighting, footpaths, car park extension, storage sheds for machinery and entrance works. Between grants, donations and our 300 Club, we have achieved the unthinkable in getting to where we are today and that was achieved right through a pandemic too!

To all who have subscribed to our 300 Club in the last four years, a massive THANK YOU. Without this support, we would not have the very best of facilities for our kids. A big thank you must go to our outgoing Finance Committee who have done trojan work in the last four years. We wish the very best of luck to our incoming Finance Committee who will continue the good work and maintain high standards.

With growth in a club comes increased costs off the pitch and logistical headaches on the pitch. Off the pitch, we have been very lucky to have a Ladies Committee working away in the background running our fortnightly 50/50 draw which covers the running and maintenance costs of Suir Crescent. Again, we must say thank you to everyone who supports these draws on an ongoing basis and we hope that all will continue to do so into the future. To our Ladies Committee, a huge thank you for your continued hard work.

On the pitch, with the increase in teams, it was critical we have the support systems on the coaching front to assist our future stars. Luckily, we have 43 coaches preparing and assisting teams on a weekly basis plus another 12 coaches assisting at academy sessions weekly. Education of coaches is crucial and as a club, we plan to provide the necessary pathway

through FAI coaching courses. Recently we had 19 coaches complete the first step on the coaching ladder by hosting our own Player Development Plan (PDP) 1 Course in our own grounds, and we will continue to aim to improve all our coaches which will in turn improve our teams.

To finish, we have big plans to develop further and we will not be standing still. The next few years will see further works in Suir Crescent which will see improvements around the ground and the enhancement of our facilities. With 256 local families involved across all our teams, from the academy right up to our adults, it is hugely important that the community of Mooncoin is provided with the best of facilities for all our budding soccer stars.

With the support of Players, Coaches, Parents, Supporters and Friends of the club we can achieve anything going forward. So please keep supporting us, be it on an annual basis by joining our 300 club or a fortnightly basis with our 50/50 draw. Our QR Codes for both our 300 club and our 50/50 draw are the easiest way to help play your part, all you have to do is scan them and click on the link.

Yours faithfully,

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Club Chairperson

Padraig Kirwan
Vice Chairperson

Mike Molloy
Treasurer

Sarah Corcoran
**Child Welfare
Officer**

Brendan Conway
**Schoolboys'
Secretary**

Lynne Casey
**Schoolgirls'
Secretary**

Kevin Kennedy
**Junior League
Secretary**



300 Club QR Code



50/50 QR Code