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Welcome

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Shannon Gaels GAA was founded in 2002 and to date we are the only Minor GAA club serving the children of Queens. For our first seven years we had no regular field to train or play on.

After reaching out to the New York City Mayor's office and the Queens Parks Department, we were accommodated with Frank Golden Park in College Point. We subsequently signed a long term lease with the City of New York for the use of over seven acres within this park. We must now raise a significant portion of the funds needed to turn this area into our "Field of Dreams".



This project represents something special and something different. We believe it will provide an anchor for Gaelic Football and Hurling here in New York that will run right through the 21st century. This brochure will tell you about the project. It will also tell you how we intend, with your help, to fund it. We believe we have a funding strategy which is practical, but we do need your help to make it happen.

Our "Field of Dreams" is a huge challenge to all of us. But it is one that is necessary and achievable. We look forward to working with you to help us deliver something special.

Seán Price

Seán Price
Chairman,
Shannon Gaels GAA

Colin Mathers
Chairman,
Field Of Dreams



OUR VISION

Central to our GAA legacy is the project we are about to commence in Frank Golden Park. We have secured a contract with the City of New York for the lease of playing fields within Frank Golden Park and have been granted approval for its development by the New York City Parks Department.

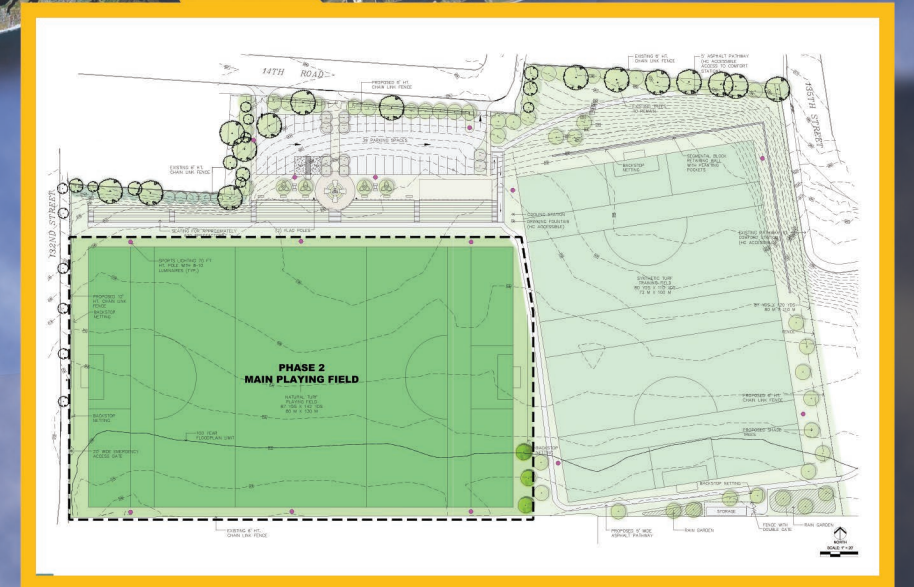
We have put in place a Shannon Gaels GAA family wide strategy to fund our Field of Dreams project. It's based on the tried and tested GAA ethos of depending on everyone and having a place for everyone; of sharing our work and its benefits; and of putting in rather than taking out. Just as we will all benefit from our Field of Dreams in our own ways, so can we all help make it happen in our own ways.



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Securing The future



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Who is our field of dreams for?

- The Shannon Gaels GAA and all diaspora across the Greater New York area.
- Our future County players, at all levels and in all codes.
- The boys and girls of Queens which has one of the most diverse/ethnic communities in the US.
- All those with an interest in the GAA.

What will it contain?

- A full sized sand carpet GAA playing pitch, training pitch and scrimmage area.
- Spectator facilities and significant car-parking.
- High performance flood-light system.
- Cultural and Annual Field Day facilities.

Why do we need it?

- At present there are limited playing area's available to play Gaelic sports in New York's five boroughs.
- Our club has 23 teams and growing.
- Shannon Gaels GAA membership is growing at an average of 150% annually.
- Currently there is no other playing area for Gaelic sports in Queens.
- To promote physical fitness and team spirit amongst the youth.

What will it deliver?

- A fully integrated Shannon Gaels GAA club.
- A home away from home for Irish immigrants bringing together all aspects of gaelic games and culture.
- Unmatched facilities for our young people.
- An engine to drive Shannon Gaels GAA through the 21st century.
- A statement about something that's important to us all.



How do we make it happen



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PRAISE THE YOUTH AND THEY WILL COME



Turning our plans into reality won't be an easy task. It's by far the biggest-ever GAA field development project in the New York area. It is the first joint turf venture between New York City Parks Department and a private group. Shannon Gaels GAA has never before been daunted turning ambition into reality.

Shannon Gaels GAA has always matched ambition with pragmatism. We are now doing that within Frank Golden Park by working closely with New York Parks Department and other City Departments. Our ambition is to have our Field of Dreams fully operational within the next year.

The project is being scoped and will be overseen by our own experienced professional development and project management team who are donating their time voluntarily

as their contribution to something that's important to them and their families. We will also be assisted by experts from New York City's Parks and Capital Department as they also understand the vital need for this development.

Our Field of Dreams overall will cost an estimate of \$5.2 million to deliver. Even though we have raised 50% of this amount through The Department of Foreign Affairs, The GAA headquarters in Ireland, New York City Capital funding and donations from the private sector we still have work to do. Shannon Gaels GAA field committee continues in discussions with NYC, Corporate Investors and Individual Contributors to secure all possible funding. With your help we together can meet this challenge and secure a legacy for those children who come after us.

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OUR STRATEGY

There are three avenues to our funding strategy. This is a deliberate approach, to make sure there's a way for every past, present and future Shannon Gaels GAA member to contribute in a meaningful way to this unique project. Our three avenues are

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Member

Now into our second decade, Shannon Gaels GAA has been accepted as the "best-in-class". If you pay \$100 to become a Field of Dreams Supporters Club Member, then Frank Golden Park will be part of your gift, not just to Shannon Gaels GAA but also to all other Gaels right across the Greater New York area.

If you're not yet a Field of Dreams Supporters Club Member, then come and join us. You will find further information on how to join at the end of this brochure or on our website www.fieldofdreamsnyc.com or www.shannongaels.org or by emailing us at shannongaels1@gmail.com



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SHANNON GAELS GAA PATRON LEVELS	HONORARY PATRON	BRONZE PATRON	SILVER PATRON	GOLD PATRON	BEST PLATINUM PATRON
	\$1,000	\$2,500	\$5,000	\$7,500	\$10,000
Tax deductible 501(c) (3)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
One Year Shannon Gaels GAA membership	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
One Mega Draw raffle ticket	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
One Entry in the All Ireland football or hurling final ticket draw	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A Limited edition Field of Dreams Supporters Club Polo	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A Personalized Field of Dreams Supporters Club ID Card	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A Personalized Field of Dreams Supporters Club plaque	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tickets to Shannon Gaels GAA Annual Dinner Dance		2 Tickets	4 Tickets	6 Tickets	10 Tickets
Players at Shannon Gaels GAA Annual Golf outing		1 Player	2 Players	3 Players	4 Players
Ad page in Shannon Gaels GAA Annual Dinner Dance Journal			White Page	Gold Page	Platinum Page
Hole sponsor at Shannon Gaels GAA Annual Golf outing				1 Sponsor Hole	2 Sponsor Holes

Patron

Being a Shannon Gaels Patron represents a major commitment to both the GAA and to Shannon Gaels GAA. We will mark that commitment in modest but meaningful ways as listed in the appropriate Shannon Gaels GAA Patron Level above.



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be mailed to:

Shannon Gaels
GAA Treasurer
64-80 84th Place
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Sponsor

For those who make a major financial contribution for the Field of Dreams project, we in return may offer naming rights, either of the entire project or specific parts of it, for example one or more pitches.

If you see potential here come and talk with us. You can make a first contact via www.fieldofdreamsnyc.com or email shannongaels1@gmail.com or by calling any Shannon Gaels Supporters Club Field of Dreams committee member.



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Dinner Dance

Got this covered!

Shannon Gaels on tour

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