

Frequently Asked Questions

1: Can my donation be used for other purposes?

No. Donations to the Cuala Stradbrook project will only be used for that specific purpose and will not be used for running of Cuala or any other project.

2: What happens if the Stradbrook project doesn't go ahead?

You may ask for a refund of your donation and Cuala will return the money to you.

3: Who controls the donations bank account?

Donations are held in the "Cuala Development Fund Account" in AIB Dun Laoghaire and the club secretary (Tommy Drummond) and the Cuala Stradbrook Treasurer (Cormac O'Tighearnaigh) must approve all expenditure from this account. The account is exclusively used to manage funds for the Cuala Stradbrook project.

4: Confidentiality: Who can see what members gave and what amounts?

The only people who see the donation pledges and bank transfer statements are the club secretary and the Cuala Stradbrook Treasurer. No other member of Cuala or the fundraising committee has access to this information.

5: Is €1,000 the minimum donation amount?

Absolutely not. We welcome all donations of any size. On the donation form you can write in any amount or do a standing order.

6: What is the tax situation on donations?

Cuala is recognized by the Revenue Commissioners as an "approved sports body". This status will allow Cuala to maximize the value of every donation via tax refunds. More information will be made available over the coming weeks.

7: Is Cuala asking for pledges or donations?

We are asking for donations if at all possible but pledges are very welcome.

8: Why such a short amount of time to raise such a large sum of money? Why didn't you start Fundraising earlier?

The contact with Blackrock is still being negotiated. We only reached detailed agreement mid-Summer and started the fundraising programme in early September.

9: Are you fundraising from other sources?

The fundraising committee has four pillars:

- Members and friends of Cuala donations
- Corporate Donations (local small & medium enterprises and multinationals)
- Grant bodies including GAA, local government, Sports Council
- Philanthropic sources

If you can help with donations or grants or philanthropic sources, please contact us.

10: I have more questions, who can I speak with?

Please send an email in confidence to developmentfinance@cualagaa.ie (which goes to the club secretary and Cuala Stradbrook Treasurer) or contact your sector leaders.