

Carnaross GAA's Smoke - Free

Policy Statement

Carnaross GFC is committed to reducing the use of tobacco and its harmful health effects by adopting the GAA'S Smoke- free policy.

Our Aim is to protect the health of all individuals involved with the club by keeping them safe from all tobacco related harm.

The Rationale for this is that our club recognise that tobacco use and exposure to second-hand smoke is severely harmful to health, in particular to the health of children. There is no safe level of exposure to second hand smoke. The policy will help change social norms around tobacco use, encourage people to consider quitting and reduce the initiation of smoking amongst young people.

The club has therefore imposed a smoke-free policy that will apply throughout the club grounds. There are NO designated smoking areas within the club grounds. This policy applies to all members, officials, coaches, players, parents, visitors and volunteers. We believe that we are setting a positive example for the community with genuine concern for everyone's health.

This policy will commence on the 1st May 2018

By Way of Enforcement of Non-Compliance, the club will use no smoking signs both internally and externally to promote the smoke- free policy. Committee members will monitor compliance in the club grounds. The following strategy will be followed if anyone breaches the smoke- free policy:

- Assume that the person is unaware of the non-smoking policy

- A committee member or club representative will approach the person breaching the policy and politely ask them to refrain from smoking and remind them about the non-smoking policy.

- If the offence continues an executive committee member will intervene

The Policy will be Reviewed after six months after its introduction and then on an annual basis thereafter by an Executive Committee representative. This will ensure that the policy is sustained, effective and up to date.

Carnaross GFC is committed to following the GAA'S Smoke- free policy

Signed: ______ John Plunkett ______

Signed: Brian Comaskey

Date: 1-5-2018

Chairperson

Health & Wellbeing Officer