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Dear Sir/Madame

I would like to propose a brief submission on behalf of Rathnew Boxing Club.

We have been bounced around from rented hall to rented hall for the last 12 years. Our current location, whilst very welcomed, is not fit for purpose as it does not have the equipment in situ for the members to train for the sport. We are currently turning away new members as we do not have the space.

A lot of our members are from low socio economic backgrounds where addiction and crime are a major issue. The club, for many, is the only thing preventing them from going down the same dark path like many of their peers.

What we require is our own, not shared, facility. It needs to be fully functional as a boxing club with 2 to 3 rings, minimum of 20 bags, and changing facilities for both male and female. Usually a space of 500m sq covers this.

In a broader sense, the town and surrounding areas need far more active open spaces as they are sorely lacking.

Apologies for sending this directly via email but I was unable to do so via the portal .

Kind regards

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