

Clooney Quin GAA

To all Parents, Coaches, Trainers, Mentors, and Members

Re: Contacting Underage Players by Phone, Text, E-Mail or Social Media

Dear Members,

Following a question raised by the Chairman, I sought clarity on the expected Code of Behaviour regarding the appropriateness of contact by club members, who have no coaching relationship, with underage players by phone, text, e-mail or social media.

The anomaly arose as it was uncertain if contact could be made when there is no coaching relationship and the Code was vague in detail. I clarified same with the County Child Welfare Officer, Fearghal Gray.

Fearghal stated it is considered best practice not to contact any underage player, male or female, in a joint club without the consent of a parent/guardian and should they give consent they need to be included in the full correspondence.

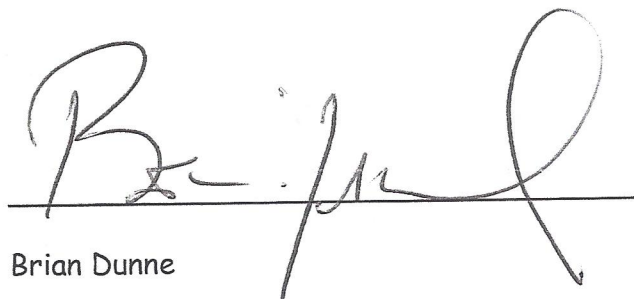
If members are making contact with underage players for any reason without consent you are requested to stop immediately.

If members make contact with underage players for any reason without appropriate consent it will be deemed a breach of the code of behaviour and will be acted on accordingly.

I hope this clarifies the situation.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brian Dunne', written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized with large loops and a long tail.

Brian Dunne

Child Protection Officer