

## **Attachment No. 8 to Report**



# **Forward Planning Section Assessment Report To The New Schools Establishment Group New Post-Primary Schools 2015/2016**

**Location: North Wicklow (map attached)**

**Year Required: 2016**

**School Size required: Long term projected need up to 1000 pupil places**

**Medium of Instruction: English**

## Applications Received

Three applications were received to establish the new post-primary school for the North Wicklow feeder area.

A brief profile of each applicant together with a synopsis of the school type proposed is set out hereunder:

## Profile of Applicants

### **Educate Together (ET)**

Educate Together is the representative organisation of the 58 Educate Together National Schools (ETNS) throughout the Country and it is patron of 45 of these schools. Educate Together is advanced in its plans to open its first second-level school in Hansfield, Dublin 15 in 2014. In addition, Educate Together is involved in a co-patronage model with Louth & Meath Education and Training Board in a community school to open in Drogheda, Co. Louth in 2014, and in a partnership model with Dublin & Dun Laoghaire Education and Training Board in a community college in Clonburris, Lucan, Co. Dublin also opening in 2014. A Blueprint for Educate Together's second-level schools has been developed called "Taking the Next Steps". The organisation became a company limited by guarantee in 1998 and has charitable status.

### **School type proposed**

Multi-denominational, co-educational post-primary school.

### **Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training Board (KWETB)**

Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training Board (KWETB) is a new entity, established on July 1<sup>st</sup> 2013 through the amalgamation of County Kildare VEC and County Wicklow VEC. KWETB operates twenty post-primary schools with a student population of over 11,000. The post-primary schools have a variety of governance structures reflecting the communities served by the schools including non-designated community colleges and designated community colleges. KWETB is also joint patron of 5 community schools and it manages a Community National School in Naas, Co. Kildare

### **School type proposed.**

Multi-denominational, non-designated, co-educational community college.

**Educate Together and Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training Board**

The third application is a joint application from Educate Together and the Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training Board. Both patrons have had discussions to explore the potential benefits that a joint application might bring to the communities of Kildare and Wicklow as well as second level education in Ireland generally. Initial discussions have established that there are many similarities between the type of school proposed by both patrons as both share many educational aims and objectives. Both patrons are currently engaged in a process of exploration and discussion as to whether community schools under the joint patronage of the two organisations would best meet the needs of parents in these two areas.

Both patrons have asked that, given the positive engagement they have had to date and, without prejudice to the conclusion of their current discussions, the Department would consider the possibility of awarding them the joint patronage of this school. They understand that any such arrangement would require the positive conclusion of their current joint discussions and more importantly, the approval of parents who had expressed an interest in one or other patron. It has been stated that, should they reach agreement, they would consult with parents with a view to securing their support for a joint patronage model.

**School type proposed:** This has yet to be agreed between the parties, however, if an Educational and Training Board is to form a partnership with a national patron body, such as Educate Together, the resulting model is required to be of a community school type.

## Demographic details

The new post-primary school for North Wicklow is intended to be a regional provider for the following feeder areas:

- Bray
- Kilternan
- Ballybrack/Shankill

It is also intended to serve any potential overflow demand for pupil places from the Greystones and Ballinteer feeder areas.

### **Bray feeder area**

The 2012/13 total enrolment in the post-primary schools in the Bray feeder area is 3,106 pupils.

Enrolment for this feeder area is projected to grow to approximately 3,620 pupils up to the year 2023 based on the current intake pattern, which is 125%. **This is a potential increase of 514 pupils.**

### **Kilternan feeder area**

There is **no** post-primary school in the Kilternan feeder area.

The potential post-primary enrolment for this feeder area for the 2012/13 school year was approximately 84 pupils. **Enrolment is projected to grow to approximately 461 pupils by 2023 based on a 100% intake rate.**

### **Ballybrack/Shankill feeder area**

There is one post-primary school in the Ballybrack/Shankill feeder area which is fee-charging. The total enrolment in the school for the 2012/13 school year is 338 pupils.

Enrolment for this feeder area is projected to grow to approximately 1,165 pupils by 2023 based on a 100% intake. This is a potential 827 extra pupils.

The current intake pattern at post-primary level in the Ballybrack/Shankill feeder area is 39%. At this level of intake, enrolment would increase to approximately 469 pupils by 2023. **This is a potential 131 extra pupils.**

## Assessment of applications

	<b>Patron name</b>	<b>Patron name</b>	<b>Patron name</b>
	Kildare and Wicklow Education Training Board	Educate Together	Joint Application: Educate Together & Kildare and Wicklow Education & Training Board
Is willing to accept and open special education facilities	√	√	To be confirmed
Is willing to enter into the standard lease agreement with the Department of Education & Skills or that the prospective patron will provide their own site	√	√	To be confirmed
Is willing to operate by the rules and regulations laid down in various Department of Education & Skills circulars and operating procedures	√	√	To be confirmed
Is willing to operate the school within the resourcing and policy parameters established by the Department of Education & Skills	√	√	To be confirmed
Is willing to share school buildings with other schools as may be determined by the Department should the school building not be in full use	√	√	To be confirmed
Is willing to be part of a campus development with other primary or second-level schools as identified by the Department	√	√	To be confirmed
Is willing to enrol children in the area for whom the Department has identified the need for a school	√	√	To be confirmed
Is willing to follow the prescribed curriculum	√	√	To be confirmed
Is willing to expand/ operate in the size range of 800 to 1,000 pupils (a lower threshold of 400 would apply for Gaelcholáistí having regard to the alternative of establishing an Aonad within a school)	√	√	To be confirmed
Is willing to establish an Aonad where there is demand for it (for a school where the primary medium of instruction is to be English)	√	√	To be confirmed

## **2. Multiple Provider Areas - Criteria for deciding on patronage where there is currently at least one second level school**

**Will the establishment of the proposed school result in greater diversity and plurality of second level school patronage and provision in the area (having regard to neighbouring areas) where there is demand for such diversity and plurality. In this context individual patron bodies from the one faith group will be regarded as representing the same school patronage type for assessing plurality.**

There are 8 post-primary schools in the Bray and Ballybrack Shankill feeder areas:

- 2 all boys' Catholic schools
- 1 co-educational Catholic fee-charging school
- 2 all girls' Catholic schools including 1 fee-charging school
- 2 multi-denominational schools comprising 1 all-Irish school and 1 non-designated community college.
- 1 Catholic co-educational community school.

There is no post-primary school in the Kiltarnan feeder area.

### **Educate Together proposal: Multi-denominational, co-educational post-primary school.**

Given the extent of Catholic provision in the North Wicklow area, the model proposed by the applicant will result in greater diversity and plurality of second level patronage in the feeder area.

### **Kildare and Wicklow ETB proposal: Multi-denominational, co-educational post primary school.**

Given the extent of Catholic provision in the North Wicklow area, the model proposed by the applicant will result in greater diversity and plurality of second level patronage in the feeder area. However, Kildare and Wicklow ETB is already patron of two schools in the North Wicklow area, namely St. Thomas's Community College – a predominantly Post Leaving Certificate Course provider (this school is proposing to concentrate solely on PLC's from 2016 ) and also Coláiste Ráithin, which is an all-Irish provider.

### **Educate Together and Kildare and Wicklow ETB proposal:**

The joint model proposed by the patrons would be a multi-denominational community school. While a community school model already exists in the area, the school in question is an interdenominational Catholic school. An interdenominational Catholic community school involves one or more Catholic patrons with an Education and Training Board patron (formerly Vocational Education Committee patron).

**Neighbouring feeder areas**

The Bray, Kilternan and Ballybrack/Shankill feeder areas have 7 neighbouring feeder areas with 25 post primary schools. 20 of these schools have a Catholic ethos, 2 schools have a multi-denominational ethos, 1 has a Methodist ethos and is fee-charging and 2 have a Church of Ireland ethos and are fee-charging schools.

1 additional post-primary school is due to open in the Greystones feeder area in 2014. This school will have a multi denominational ethos.

Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training Board) is patron of 2 schools in neighbouring feeder areas, namely in Blessington, which is 41kms from Bray and in Avondale, which is 39kms away.

Educate Together is not the patron of any post-primary school in neighbouring feeder areas.

**Details of Current Post-Primary Schools in the Bray Feeder Area**

<b>Roll No</b>	<b>School Name</b>	<b>Ethos</b>		<b>Patron</b>	<b>Medium of Instruction</b>	<b>2012/13 Total Enrolment</b>	<b>% in school of Total Area Enrolment</b>
61790D	St Brendan's College ( Boys)	Catholic	Catholic	Christian Brothers	English	289	9%
61800D	Presentation College (Boys)	Catholic	Catholic	Presentation Brothers	English	629	21%
61811I	St Gerard's School (Fee Charging)	Catholic	Catholic	St. Gerards School Board of Governors	English	499	16%
61820J	Loreto Secondary School (Girls)	Catholic	Catholic	Loreto Order	English	839	27%
70770V	St Thomas' Community College	Non-Designated Community College	Multi-Denominational	Kildare and Wicklow ETB	English	135	4%
70821M	Coláiste Raithín	Non-Designated Community College	Multi-Denominational	Kildare and Wicklow ETB	Irish	244	8%
91376L	St. Kilian's Community School	Inter-Denominational	Catholic	Kildare and Wicklow ETB + Franciscan Order + Marist Sisters.	English	471	15%
<b>Total</b>						<b>3106</b>	<b>100%</b>



% of Total Enrolment by Patron	
Christian Brothers	9%
Presentation Brothers	21%
Loreto Order	27%
St. Gerard's School Board of Governors	16%
Kildare and Wicklow ETB	12%
KWETB + Franciscan Order + Marist Sisters	15%

% of Total Enrolment by Ethos	
Multi-Denominational	12%
Catholic	88%

Bray Feeder Area								Detailed Enrolment: 2012/2013							
Current Transfer Rate 128 %															
Roll No	Name	Ethos	03/04 Enr	08/09 Enr	12/13 Enr	Historic 5 Year Trend	Historic 10 Year Trend	1 <sup>st</sup> Yr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Yr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Yr	TY	5 <sup>th</sup> Yr	6 <sup>th</sup> Yr	Total	PLC
61790D	St Brendan's College ( Boys)	Catholic	369	399	289	-110	-80	51	52	54	29	63	40	289	0
61800D	Presentation College ( Boys)	Catholic	627	601	629	28	2	111	124	123	91	95	85	629	0
61811I	St Gerard's School (Fee Charging)	Catholic	416	446	499	53	83	87	88	89	83	81	71	499	0
61820J	Loreto Secondary School (Girls)	Catholic	833	846	839	-7	6	149	150	137	132	137	134	839	0
70770V	St Thomas' Community College	Multi-Denominational	229	192	135	-57	-94	20	23	11	18	22	41	135	1073
70821M	Coláiste Raithín	Multi-Denominational	275	240	244	4	-31	53	45	42	34	33	37	244	0
91376L	St. Kilian's Community School	Catholic	691	522	471	-51	-220	73	100	90	55	76	77	471	0
<b>Total</b>			<b>3440</b>	<b>3246</b>	<b>3106</b>	<b>-140</b>	<b>-334</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>582</b>	<b>546</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>3106</b>	<b>1073</b>

### Details of Current Post-Primary Schools in the Ballybrack Shankill Feeder Area

Roll No	School Name	Ethos		Patron	Medium of Instruction	2012/13 Total Enrolment	% in school of Total Area Enrolment
60250M	Holy Child Secondary School (Girls) (Fee charging)	Denominational	Catholic	Society of Holy Child	English	338	100%

Ballybrack Shankill Feeder Area								Detailed Enrolment: 2012/2013							
Current Transfer Rate 39 %															
Roll No	Name	Ethos	03/04 Enr	08/09 Enr	12/13 Enr	Historic 5 Year Trend	Historic 10 Year Trend	1 <sup>st</sup> Yr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Yr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Yr	TY	5 <sup>th</sup> Yr	6 <sup>th</sup> Yr	Total	PLC
60250M	Holy Child Secondary School (Girls) (fee charging)	Catholic	346	332	338	6	-8	57	56	59	67	54	45	338	0
<b>Total</b>			<b>346</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>0</b>

### Primary School Details – Bray Feeder Area

There are 14 primary schools in the Bray feeder area. The total enrolment of these schools in 2012/2013 is 3,520 students. 11 of these schools have a Catholic ethos, 2 schools have a Church of Ireland ethos, and 1 school has a multi-denominational ethos. 13 schools are teaching through the medium of English and 1 school teaches through the medium of English.

Primary Schools Bray PP Feeder Area									Detailed Enrolment: 2012/2013								
Roll No	Name	Ethos	Medium of Instruction	03/04 Enr	08/09 Enr	12/13 Enr	Historic 5 Year Trend	Historic 10 Year Trend	Jun Inf	Sen Inf	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Total
07246U	Sisters Of Charity N S	Catholic	English	261	248	246	-2	-15	62	50	35	21	24	19	11	24	246
09760V	Powerscourt N S	Church of Ireland	English	57	66	76	10	19	14	9	6	11	6	10	10	10	76
13597M	St Andrews N S	Church of Ireland	English	183	219	218	-1	35	25	29	30	26	24	28	29	27	218
16872A	Cronan Naofa N S	Catholic	English	439	505	492	-13	53	0	0	78	84	78	74	90	88	492
17223O	S N Muire Is Gearard	Catholic	English	245	242	229	-13	-16	23	29	27	27	32	29	33	29	229
17537O	Scoil Padraig Naofa	Catholic	English	766	765	769	4	3	177	142	80	65	76	72	80	77	769
18357R	S N Padraig Naofa	Catholic	English	74	64	63	-1	-11	11	12	7	7	8	6	5	7	63
18365Q	Kilmacanogue N S	Catholic	English	249	240	203	-37	-46	23	27	20	29	26	24	25	29	203
18464S	Naomh Peadar N S	Catholic	English	95	82	73	-9	-22	0	0	0	12	15	17	18	11	73
19508R	St Fergals Junior National School	Catholic	English	322	281	244	-37	-78	64	59	47	74	0	0	0	0	244
19584K	Scoil Chualann	Catholic	English	257	250	245	-5	-12	33	32	29	31	32	30	28	30	245
19654F	St Fergals Senior Ns	Catholic	English	335	297	258	-39	-77	0	0	0	0	60	70	61	67	258
19754J	Bray School Project N S	Multi-Denominational	English	239	235	234	-1	-5	29	31	28	30	31	28	28	29	234
20016D	Gaelscoil Ui Cheadaigh	Catholic	Irish	173	148	170	22	-3	31	20	21	30	12	21	16	19	170
<b>Total</b>				<b>3,695</b>	<b>3,642</b>	<b>3,520</b>	<b>-122</b>	<b>-175</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>3,520</b>
<b>Total Jun vs Sen</b>									<b>1,787</b>			<b>1,733</b>					

### Primary School Details – Kiltiernan Feeder Area

There are 4 primary schools in the Kiltiernan feeder area. The total enrolment of these schools in 2012/2013 is 720 students. 2 of these schools have a Catholic ethos, 1 school has a Church of Ireland ethos, and 1 school has a multi-denominational ethos. All 4 schools are teaching through the medium of English.

Primary Schools Kiltiernan PP Feeder Area									Detailed Enrolment: 2012/2013								
Roll No	Name	Ethos	Medium of Instruction	03/04 Enr	08/09 Enr	12/13 Enr	Historic 5 Year Trend	Historic 10 Year Trend	Jun Inf	Sen Inf	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Total
16629O	Kiltiernan Church Of Ireland NS	Church Of Ireland	English	116	186	219	33	103	32	30	32	29	26	25	21	24	219
17507F	Sn Padraig Naofa	Catholic	English	73	130	173	43	100	29	18	19	23	22	22	22	18	173
18806U	Kiltiernan NS 1	Catholic	English	299	325	321	-4	22	54	53	31	43	30	26	55	29	321
20401G	Stepaside Educate Together NS	Multidenominational	English	0	0	7	7	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
<b>Total</b>				<b>488</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>720</b>
<b>Total Jun vs Sen</b>									<b>400</b>			<b>320</b>					

### Primary School Details – Ballybrack/Shankill Feeder Area

There are 5 primary schools in the Ballybrack Shankill feeder area. The total enrolment of these schools in 2012/2013 is 1,235 students. 4 of these schools have a Catholic ethos and 1 school has a Church of Ireland ethos. 4 schools are teaching through the medium of English and 1 is an all-Irish school.

Primary Schools Ballybrack Shankill PP Feeder Area									Detailed Enrolment: 2012/2013								
Roll No	Name	Ethos	Medium of Instruction	03/04 Enr	08/09 Enr	12/13 Enr	Historic 5 Year Trend	Historic 10 Year Trend	Jun Inf	Sen Inf	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Total
11873A	Rathmichael N S	Church Of Ireland	English	222	221	214	-7	-8	30	25	25	27	26	25	27	29	214
19497P	Scoil Mhuire	Catholic	English	297	308	291	-17	-6	34	34	36	52	33	40	33	29	291
19888H	St Anne's Mxd Ns	Catholic	English	507	488	481	-7	-26	65	60	56	64	63	50	63	60	481
20056P	Gaelscoil Phadraig	Catholic	Irish	80	134	148	14	68	19	20	24	20	17	14	14	20	148
20218P	Archbishop Mcquaid National School	Catholic	English	0	141	101	-40	101	10	13	11	18	9	18	9	13	101
<b>Total</b>				<b>1,106</b>	<b>1,292</b>	<b>1,235</b>	<b>-57</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>1,235</b>
<b>Total Jun vs Sen</b>									<b>643</b>			<b>592</b>					

### **Post-Primary School Details – Post-primary Areas Surrounding North Wicklow**

#### **Are there post-primary schools of the same or similar patronage in neighbouring catchment areas?**

The Bray, Ballybrack/Shankill, and Kiltarnan feeder areas are bounded by 7 other feeder areas namely: Rathfarnham, Firhouse/Oldbawn, Blessington, Rathdrum, Greystones, Ballinteer/Stepaside and Sallynoggin/Killiney.

It should be noted that the particular geography of the area means that provision in feeder areas west of the Wicklow mountains is unlikely to impact on demand in the area to be served by the new school.

There are 25 post-primary schools in the feeder areas in question with 1 additional school to open in 2014:

- 20 schools have a Catholic ethos and 3 of these are all girls, fee-charging schools and 1 is an all-boys, fee-charging school.
- 2 have a multi-denominational ethos and are non-designated community colleges.
- 2 schools are Church of Ireland fee-charging schools.
- 1 school is a Methodist fee-charging school.
- A multi-denominational, English-medium post-primary school is due to open in the adjoining feeder of Greystones in 2014.

The enrolment details for these schools are contained in the tables below;

Rathfarnham Feeder Area								Detailed Enrolment: 2012/2013										
Current Transfer Rate 150%																		
Roll No	Name	Ethos		Patron	03/04 Enr	08/09 Enr	12/13 Enr	Historic 5 Year Trend	Historic 10 Year Trend	1 <sup>st</sup> Yr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Yr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Yr	TY	5 <sup>th</sup> Yr	6 <sup>th</sup> Yr	Total	PLC	Distance to North Wicklow (Approx)
60310E	Da La Salle College (Boys)	Denominational	Catholic	De La Salle Brothers	288	321	358	37	70	69	65	73	58	53	40	358	0	20 km
60320H	St Columba's College (fee charging)	Denominational	Church of Ireland	St. Columba's College of Body of Fellows	300	298	277	-21	-23	34	32	35	72	62	42	277	0	
60321J	Rockbrook Park School (Boys)(fee charging)	Denominational	Catholic	Fam Ed	143	132	140	8	-3	14	32	27	19	21	27	140	0	
60340N	Loreto High School (Girls)(fee charging)	Denominational	Catholic	Loreto Order	613	612	609	-3	-4	94	111	104	111	98	91	609	0	
60341P	Sancta Maria College (Girls)	Denominational	Catholic	Mercy Sisters	600	487	476	-11	-124	67	105	95	72	65	72	476	0	
60342R	Colaiste Eanna (Boys)	Denominational	Catholic	Christian Brothers	437	489	573	84	136	108	90	90	97	94	94	573	0	
60860Q	Our Ladys School (Girls)	Denominational	Catholic	Religious of Christian Education	715	738	744	6	29	120	120	120	120	137	127	744	0	
91510M	St. Colmcille's Community School	Inter- Denominational	Catholic	Dublin & DunLaoghaire ETB + Archbishop of Dublin + Carmelites	501	700	716	16	215	120	120	119	123	117	117	716	0	
<b>Total</b>					<b>3597</b>	<b>3777</b>	<b>3893</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>626</b>	<b>675</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>647</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>3893</b>	<b>0</b>	

Firhouse-Oldbawn Feeder Area										Detailed Enrolment: 2012/2013								
Current Transfer Rate 85 %																		
Roll No	Name	Ethos		Patron	03/04 Enr	08/09 Enr	12/13 Enr	Historic 5 Year Trend	Historic 10 Year Trend	1 <sup>st</sup> Yr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Yr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Yr	TY	5 <sup>th</sup> Yr	6 <sup>th</sup> Yr	Total	PLC	Distance to North Wicklow (Approx)
70140L	Firhouse Community College	Designated Community College	Catholic	Dublin and DunLaoghaire ETB	624	561	662	101	38	145	127	111	105	96	78	662	0	22 km
91336W	Old Bawn Community School	Inter- Denominational	Catholic	Dublin and DunLaoghaire ETB + Dominican Sisters + Dominican Fathers	819	789	874	85	55	160	158	157	60	152	187	874	0	
91337B	Kilnarden Community School	Inter- Denominational	Catholic	Dublin and DunLaoghaire ETB + Archdiocese of Dublin + Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul	567	400	445	45	-122	92	103	101	0	76	73	445	0	
<b>Total</b>					<b>2010</b>	<b>1750</b>	<b>1981</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>-29</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>1981</b>	<b>0</b>	

Blessington Feeder Area										Detailed Enrolment: 2012/2013								
Current Transfer Rate 27%																		
Roll No	Name	Ethos		Patron	03/04 Enr	08/09 Enr	12/13 Enr	Historic 5 Year Trend	Historic 10 Year Trend	1 <sup>st</sup> Yr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Yr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Yr	TY	5 <sup>th</sup> Yr	6 <sup>th</sup> Yr	Total	PLC	Distance to North Wicklow (Approx)
70760S	Blessington Community College	Non-Designated Community College	Multi-Denominational	Kildare and Wicklow ETB	262	255	314	59	52	68	67	35	38	63	43	314	0	41 km
<b>Total</b>					<b>262</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>0</b>	

Rathdrum Feeder Area										Detailed Enrolment: 2012/2013								
Current Transfer Rate 112 %																		
Roll No	Name	Ethos		Patron	03/04 Enr	08/09 Enr	12/13 Enr	Historic 5 Year Trend	Historic 10 Year Trend	1 <sup>st</sup> Yr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Yr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Yr	TY	5 <sup>th</sup> Yr	6 <sup>th</sup> Yr	Total	PLC	Distance to North Wicklow (Approx)
70810H	Avondale Community College	Non-Designated Community College	Multi-Denominational	Kildare and Wicklow ETB	427	429	523	94	96	110	98	97	45	108	65	523	0	39 km
<b>Total</b>					<b>427</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>0</b>	

Greystones Feeder Area										Detailed Enrolment: 2012/2013								
Current Transfer Rate 46%																		
Roll No	Name	Ethos		Patron	03/04 Enr	08/09 Enr	12/13 Enr	Historic 5 Year Trend	Historic 10 Year Trend	1 <sup>st</sup> Yr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Yr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Yr	TY	5 <sup>th</sup> Yr	6 <sup>th</sup> Yr	Total	PLC	Distance to North Wicklow (Approx)
61830M	St David's Holy Faith Secondary	Denominational	Catholic	Holy Faith Sisters	548	388	532	144	-16	114	118	88	58	80	74	532	0	8 km
68081J	Templecarrig Secondary School ( To open 2014)	Multi-Denominational	Multi-Denominational	Church of Ireland Education Board														
<b>Total</b>					<b>548</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>532</b>			<b>114</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>0</b>	



Ballinteer/Stepaside				Detailed Enrolment 2012/2013														
Current Transfer Rate 111%																		
Roll No	Name	Ethos		Patron	03/04 Enr	08/09 Enr	12/13 Enr	5 Year Trend	10 Year Trend	1st Yr	2nd Yr	3rd Yr	TY	5th Yr	6th Yr	Total M'stream	PLC	Distance to North Wicklow (Approx.)
60160L	Notre Dame Secondary School (Fee Charging-Girls)	Denominational	Catholic	Notre Dame Schools Trust	204	220	181	-39	-23	25	24	33	42	34	23	181	0	16km
61010U	Wesley College (Fee Charging)	Denominational	Methodist	Wesley College Methodist Board of Governors	883	874	889	15	6	143	173	123	160	137	153	889	0	
91305L	Ballinteer Community School	Interdenominational	Catholic	Archbishop of Dublin + Dublin & Dun Laoghaire ETB + Brigidine Sisters + Carmelites	400	306	357	51	-43	66	69	67	40	63	52	357	0	
91343T	St. Tiernan's Community School	Interdenominational	Catholic	Dublin & Dun Laoghaire ETB + Carmelites + Faithful Companions of Jesus	311	323	329	6	18	45	68	71	13	68	64	329	16	
		<b>Totals</b>			<b>1,798</b>	<b>1,723</b>	<b>1,756</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>-42</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>1,756</b>	<b>16</b>	

Sallynoggin_Killiney Feeder Area																Detailed Enrolment: 2012/2013		
Current Transfer Rate 111%																		
Roll No	Name	Ethos		Patron	03/04 Enr	08/09 Enr	12/13 Enr	5 Year Trend	10 Year Trend	1st Yr	2nd Yr	3rd Yr	TY	5th Yr	6th Yr	Total M'steam	PLC	Distance to North Wicklow
60090Q	Rathdown School (Fee Charging-Girls)	Denominational	Church of Ireland	Rathdown School Trust	367	400	311	-89	-56	44	46	62	49	65	45	311	0	11km
60092U	Clonkeen College (Boys)	Denominational	Catholic	Christian Brothers	473	516	515	-1	42	90	92	89	85	84	75	515	0	
60240J	Loreto College (Fee Charging-Girls)	Denominational	Catholic	Loreto Order	684	671	653	-18	-31	108	108	129	108	113	87	653	0	
60260P	St Joseph Of Cluny (Fee Charging-Girls)	Denominational	Catholic	St Joseph of Cluny Sisters	448	458	418	-40	-30	52	68	79	73	72	74	418	0	
60262T	St Laurence College	Denominational	Catholic	The Marianists	502	477	367	-110	-135	41	57	53	41	60	115	367	0	
91310E	Cabinteely Community School	Interdenominational	Catholic	Presentation Sisters, Archbishop of Dublin & Dublin & Dun Laoghaire ETB	572	502	497	-5	-75	101	85	85	59	80	87	497	39	
91330K	Holy Child Community School	Interdenominational	Catholic	Society of the Holy Child Jesus	311	249	282	33	-29	50	51	43	39	55	44	282	0	
		<b>Totals</b>			<b>3,357</b>	<b>3,273</b>	<b>3,043</b>	<b>-230</b>	<b>-314</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>527</b>	<b>3,043</b>	<b>0</b>	

**Has the patron/ prospective patron provided detail on planned mechanisms to ensure that the proposed school will expand to the size range of 500 pupils (or 400 pupils for a Gaelchóláiste), including:**

- **planned possible measures if expansion is not happening as fast as planned**
- **planned collaboration with existing second-level schools in the catchment areas**

**Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training Board:** This applicant confirms its willingness to manage a school of up to 1000 pupils. It states that it has an acknowledged track record of excellence in the development and management of schools both through start-up and expansion in the Wicklow area. As an existing patron body, it maintains that it has a demonstrable track record of positive collaborative relationships with second level schools managed by other patron bodies. It is a trustee of a Community School in the feeder area (St. Killian's Community School Bray) and is represented on the Board of Management in another school in the Wicklow Town feeder area. It has stated that should the school not expand at the rate anticipated, several options will be considered to include the sharing of buildings and this initiative will have the support of Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training Board's Senior Management Team.

**Educate Together:** This applicant states that if the anticipated growth does not take place in the planned time frame, it will work with the school, other schools and patrons and also the DES while also considering measures such as the review of the enrolment policy and procedures, review of any catchment area regulations, outreach campaigns to raise awareness of the schools and the review of school communications to ensure that there are high levels of understanding of the school in the community. Educate Together has stated its commitment to the maximum use of State resources in education and if the other measures still left under-utilised space in the school, Educate Together will actively pursue steps such as those envisaged in the "Shared Usage" clause in the standard lease and work with local educational interests and the DES to address the issue.

Educate Together states that it is patron of 4 primary schools in the Wicklow area and has developed excellent relationships with all second level schools in the area during this time. It maintains that partnership and community involvement are at the core of Educate Together's ethos and that it supports all of its schools to engage positively and constructively with schools and other organisations in their communities. It states that many of its schools share resources, facilities and staff with neighbouring schools of different types and collaborate on regular or occasional activities and projects. It also states that it looks forward to collaborating closely with schools and other organisations in North Wicklow and the surrounding areas to ensure that the widest possible range of educational provision can be provided in a coordinated manner for all families in the area and the wider community.

**Joint application from Kildare and Wicklow ETB and Educate Together:**

To be agreed between the parties.

### **3. Parental Preferences – details of demand provided by the applicants**

#### **Kildare and Wicklow Education Training Board: Total on list 138**

Table A								
North Wicklow								
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total	Post 2021
1st Year	2	3	3	3	4	1	16	2
Table B								
Adjoining Feeder Areas								
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total	Post 2021
1st Year	11	5	12	1	13	7	49	23
Table C								
Outside any of the above								
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total	Post 2021
1st Year	1	6	4	4	3*	6	24	8
*Excludes a pupil for whom no address was provided								

**Notes:**

The following records have not been included in the above tables;

- 15 children who are already in a post-primary school pre 2016. These have been excluded because the development of a new school is not intended to impact on existing schools.
- 1 invalid as no address was provided.
- The data contained in Tables B and C **have not** been included for the purposes of establishing the valid parental preferences for the school because provision for these pupils is made within their own feeder areas, and consequently, schools in those areas would be adversely impacted if accommodation was made available for these pupils in the new school. The data were analysed to distinguish between the demand in the North Wicklow feeder area and outside of it.
- The “total” column immediately after the “2020” column represents the parental preferences for a full six-year cycle in the new school. Parental preferences for places post 2020 would represent first year intakes at that time and for subsequent years combined. It would not, therefore, be accurate to use the overall number of parental preferences provided by the applicant as an indicator of the likely size of school to be needed or to suggest that the overall number of parental preferences indicates that the demand would exceed the number of places being made available in the new school.

**Educate Together: Total on list 1895**

Table A								
North Wicklow								
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total	Post 2021
1st Year	48	46	41	57	50	57	299	155

- 2016 figure excludes 13 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.
- 2017 figure excludes 10 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.
- 2018 figure excludes 5 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.
- 2019 figure excludes 5 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.
- 2020 figure excludes 4 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.
- Post 2021 figure excludes 4 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.
- 2021 figure excludes 1 child where Date of Birth was not provided.
- 2022 figure excludes 1 child where Date of Birth was not provided.
- 2023 figure excludes 2 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.

<b>Table B</b>								
<b>Adjoining Feeder Areas</b>								
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Post 2021</b>
<b>1st Year</b>	40	58	56	72	65	65	356	147

- 2016 figure excludes 8 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.
- 2017 figure excludes 8 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.
- 2018 figure excludes 5 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.
- 2019 figure excludes 5 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.
- 2020 figure excludes 4 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.
- 2021 figure excludes 1 child where Date of Birth was not provided.
- Post 2021 figure excludes 4 children where Dates of Birth were not provided
- 2022 figure excludes 3 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.
- 2023 figure excludes 1 child where Date of Birth was not provided.

<b>Table C</b>								
<b>Outside any of the above</b>								
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Post 2021</b>
<b>1st Year</b>	48	46	51	55	51	47	298	110

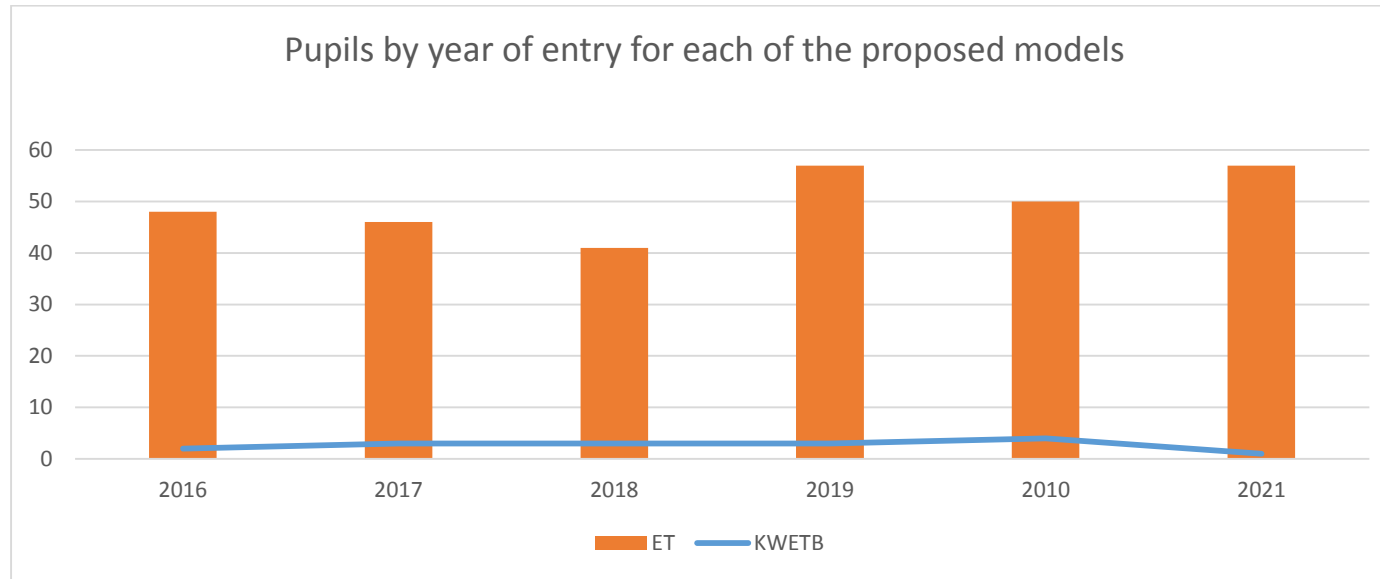
- 2016 figure excludes 6 children where Dates of Birth were not provided
- 2017 figure excludes 5 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.
- 2019 figure excludes 3 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.
- 2020 figure excludes 1 child where Date of Birth was not provided.
- 2021 figure excludes 2 children where Dates of Birth were not provided.

**Notes:**

The following records have not been included in the above tables;

- **392** children who are already in a post-primary school pre 2016. In addition, 65 of these children had no dates of birth. These have been excluded because the development of a new school is not intended to impact on existing schools.
- **37** invalid as no dates of birth provided.
- The data contained in Tables B and C **have not** been included for the purposes of establishing the valid parental preferences for the school because provision for these pupils is made within their own feeder areas, and consequently, schools in those areas would be adversely impacted if accommodation was made available for these pupils in the new school. The data were analysed to distinguish between the demand in the North Wicklow feeder area and outside of it.
- The “total” column immediately after the “2020” column represents the parental preferences for a full six-year cycle in the new school. Parental preferences for places post 2020 would represent first year intakes at that time and for subsequent years combined. It would not, therefore, be accurate to use the overall number of parental preferences provided by the applicant as an indicator of the likely size of school to be needed or to suggest that the overall number of parental preferences indicates that the demand would exceed the number of places being made available in the new school.

**The following is the potential growth path for each model based on the parental preferences presented by the applicants**





## **4. Conclusions**

**Based on an assessment of the applications received, confirmation of compliance with the criteria, assessment of existing school provision and how the proposed school would result in greater diversity, and taking into account parental demand make a recommendation on patronage for the proposed new school in the area.**

- The application from Educate Together shows sufficient parental demand from within the region to support a viable school. This patron has confirmed that it will meet all Department requirements and the establishment of a post-primary school under this patron would provide greater diversity and plurality of second-level school patronage in the feeder area and in the wider region.
- The application from Kildare and Wicklow ETB does not show sufficient parental demand for a viable school.
- The joint application from Educate Together and the Kildare and Wicklow Educate ETB would support a viable school subject to confirmation of parental preferences for a joint model under these patrons. In this regard, both applications have a combined demand for 315 pupils for the first 6 years. However, of this combined demand, 95% represents demand for the Educate Together model on its own.

## **5. Recommendation**

As the Educate Together application demonstrates sufficient parental demand for a viable school, the Department recommends that patronage for the new post-primary school for North Wicklow be awarded to that Patron body.

**Forward Planning Section  
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# Proposed Post-Primary School North Wicklow



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0 0.450.9 1.8 Kilometers

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