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## **Patronage Assessment Report**

**School:** Killester\_Raheny\_Clontarf

**Level:** Primary

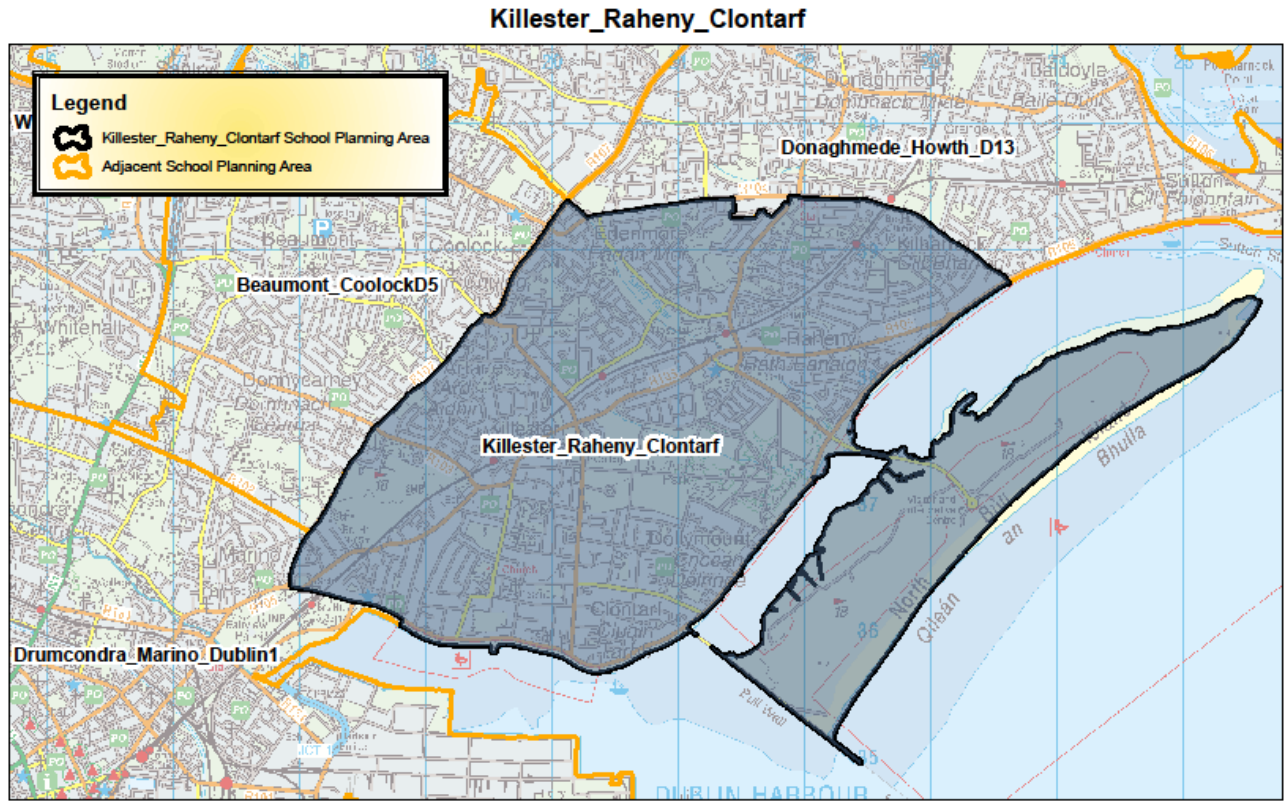
**Year:** 2019

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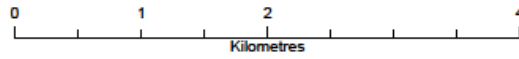
**Report to the New Schools Establishment Group  
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# 1. School Planning Area Map



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## 2. Applications Received

Five applications were received from applicant patrons in respect of this school. A brief profile of the applicants together with a synopsis of the school type proposed is set out in the following table.

Applicant Patrons	Profile of Applicant	School type proposed		Number of primary schools currently under this patronage
<b>An Foras Pátrúnachta</b>	An Foras Pátrúnachta is a private charitable company limited by guarantee and the patron of a number of Irish-medium primary and post-primary schools throughout the country.	<b>Ethos:</b>	Multi-denominational	66
		<b>Language of Instruction proposed:</b>	Irish	
		<b>Also willing to offer (if sufficient demand):</b>	n/a	
<b>City of Dublin Education and Training Board (CDETb)</b>	City of Dublin Education and Training Board (CDETb) is a statutory authority which has responsibility for managing and operating a range of education services including second-level schools and is patron of a number of primary and post-primary schools.	<b>Ethos:</b>	Multi-denominational	0
		<b>Language of Instruction proposed:</b>	English	
		<b>Also willing to offer (if sufficient demand):</b>	Irish	
<b>Educate Together</b>	Educate Together is a private charitable company limited by guarantee and the patron or representative organisation of 84 primary schools and nine post-primary schools throughout the country.	<b>Ethos:</b>	Multi-denominational	73
		<b>Language of Instruction proposed:</b>	English	
		<b>Also willing to offer (if sufficient demand):</b>	Irish	
<b>Lifeways Ireland</b>	Lifeways Ireland is a private charitable company limited by guarantee and the patron of a number of primary schools in Clare and Galway.	<b>Ethos:</b>	Multi-denominational	3
		<b>Language of Instruction proposed:</b>	English	
		<b>Also willing to offer (if sufficient demand):</b>	n/a	
<b>Scoil Sinéad Ltd</b>	Scoil Sinéad Ltd is a private charitable company limited by guarantee and is a new patron body for one primary school and a trustee partner in the management of one post-primary school.	<b>Ethos:</b>	Multi-denominational	1
		<b>Language of Instruction proposed:</b>	English	
		<b>Also willing to offer (if sufficient demand):</b>	Irish	

### 3. Demographic details

There are currently 25 primary schools in the Killester\_Raheny\_Clontarf school planning area. Demographic analysis shows that the average actual intake pattern<sup>1</sup> at primary level is currently 128%. The total provisional enrolment in primary schools in the area for the 2018/19 school year was 6,083 pupils.

The demographic exercises for this school planning area identified the following net requirement taking into account demographic demand, additional places required as a result of significant additional residential development (including any development arising from the Local Infrastructure Housing Activation Fund- LIHAF) and the current and planned capacity increases in existing primary schools in the area:



Based on the above analysis, the net requirement is 5 classrooms, therefore it was decided to establish a 1 x 8 classroom school in the Killester\_Raheny\_Clontarf school planning area in 2019.

<sup>1</sup> **Average Actual Intake Pattern:** if all children resident in the relevant school planning area attended primary school in that school planning area, the intake pattern would be 100%. If the intake pattern is less than 100%, it would suggest that some children are travelling to schools outside the school planning area. If the intake pattern is greater than 100%, it would suggest that a number of children are travelling into schools in the school planning area from other school planning areas. The average intake pattern over a number of years allows the Department to project the likely demand over the coming years assuming a continuation of the same pattern.

## 4. Assessment of applications

All patrons have agreed to the Patronage Commitments as set out in the Section D of the Patronage Application Form attached to main report.

The invitation letter to patrons, also attached to the main report, sets out in detail the:

- Arrangements for the Establishment and Patronage of New Primary Schools due to open in September 2019.
- General Information for Prospective Patrons; and
- Patron Code of Conduct

### ➤ 4.1 Multiple Provider Areas

There are currently 25 primary schools in the Killester\_Raheny\_Clontarf school planning area:

Roll No	School Name	Patron	Ethos	Language of Instruction	Gender	DEIS	2017/2018 Enrolment*
13815T	Howth Rd Mixed NS	Joint patronage between the Kirk Session of Clontarf and the Scots Presbyterian Church	Presbyterian	English	Mixed	N	97
16792C	St. Brigid's Covent Ns	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Girls	N	432
17148D	SN Eoin Baisde G Sen	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Girls	N	422
17730I	SN Na Lanai Glasa	Archbishop of Dublin & Bishop of Glendalough	Church of Ireland	English	Mixed	N	281
17732M	Scoil Chiarain	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Boys	Y	119
17936F	SN Eoin Baisde B Sin	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Boys	N	329
17976R	Scoil Assaim B	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Boys	N	274
17977T	Scoil Aine C	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Girls	N	352

17978V	Naiscoil Ide	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Mixed	N	409
18360G	Scoil Bhrandain	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Boys	Y	148
18361I	SN Caitriona C	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Girls	Y	199
18362K	SN Caitriona Naionain	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Mixed	Y	221
18646B	Springdale NS	Archbishop of Dublin & Bishop of Glendalough	Church of Ireland	English	Mixed	N	232
18968A	St. Malachys BNS	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Boys	Y	156
18969C	St Eithnes Senior GNS	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Girls	Y	101
19006Q	Eoin Baisde B Sois	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Boys	N	333
19007S	Eoin Baisde C Naoidh	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Girls	N	277
19037E	St. Monicas NS	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Girls	Y	63
19308J	St. Bridgids Boys NS	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Boys	N	359
19309L	Scoil Neasain	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	Irish	Mixed	N	249
19777V	Gaelscoil Mide	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	Irish	Mixed	N	233
19935N	Scoil Eoin	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Mixed	Y	141
19954R	North Bay Educate Together	The North Bay National School Project	Multi denominational	English	Mixed	N	217
20064O	Our Lady of Consolation	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	English	Senior Girls	Y	211
20281W	St. Benedicts and St. Marys	Archbishop of Dublin	Catholic	Part Irish	Mixed	Y	131

\*Latest confirmed enrolments, 2018/19 are provisional.

Of the 25 primary schools in the school planning area, 21 are Catholic, 2 are Church of Ireland, 1 is multi-denominational and 1 is Presbyterian.

All proposed models would increase diversity in the area by providing multi-denominational provision in the area.

## ➤ 4.2 Parental Preferences

### ○ 4.2.1 Patronage Preference

The table below sets out the first preferences received by each applicant patron:

<b>Applicant Patron</b>	<b>Valid First Preferences</b>
An Foras Pátrúnachta	60
City of Dublin Education & Training Board (CDETБ)	23
Educate Together	<b>279</b>
Lifeways Ireland CLG	8
Scoil Sinéad Patron	3
<b>Total Valid First Preferences</b>	<b>373</b>

### ○ 4.2.2 Language Preferences

#### **Breakdown of first preferences by Preferred Language of Instruction**

<b>Language of Instruction Preferences</b>	<b>An Foras Pátrúnachta</b>	<b>CDETБ</b>	<b>Educate Together</b>	<b>Lifeways Ireland CLG</b>	<b>Scoil Sinéad Patron</b>	<b>Total Preferences</b>
English-medium	0	20	247	6	2	<b>275</b>
Irish-medium	48	0	12	1	0	<b>61</b>
No Preference	12	3	20	1	1	<b>37</b>
<b>Total First Preferences</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>373</b>

The level of parental preferences for Irish-medium instruction is relatively low (61 or 16.35% of first preferences) compared with 275 (or 73.72%) of preferences for English-medium instruction while 37 (or 9.91%) of parents did not specify a preference for language of instruction.

An Foras Pátrúnachta is the only applicant patron to propose an Irish-medium school while some other applicant patrons proposed English-medium but indicated their willingness to offer an Irish-medium school if demand exists for same.

#### **Gaelscoileanna within the school planning area**

<b>Roll No</b>	<b>School Name</b>	<b>Total Enrolment 2017/18</b>	<b>Ethos</b>
19309L	Scoil Neasain	249	Catholic
19777V	Gaelscoil Mide	233	Catholic



## Gaelscoileanna within 5km of the School Planning Area

There are six gaelscoileanna within a 5km radius of the centre point of the school planning area. A multi-denominational gaelscoil will be established in an adjoining school planning area in September 2019.

Roll No	School Name	Total Enrolment 2017/18	Ethos	School Planning Area
19395H	Scoil Mobhí	259	Catholic	Drumcondra_Marino_D1
19831B	Scoil Chaoimhín	59	Catholic	Drumcondra_Marino_D1
19926M	Gaelscoil Choláiste Mhuire	202	Catholic	Drumcondra_Marino_D1
20052H	Gaelscoil Cholmcille	277	Catholic	Beaumont_CoolockD5
20015B	Gaelscoil Bhaile Munna	178	Catholic	Whitehall_SantryD9
19430G	Scoil an Tseachtar Laoch	210	Catholic	FinglasEast_BallymunD11
-	New School 2019	1 x 8 classrooms (expandable to 16)	Multi denominational	Drumcondra_Marino_D1

## Language preferences and current provision in the school planning area

Applicant Patron	No. of Irish Language Preferences	% of Language Preferences	Current Irish Medium Provision	
Educate Together	12	19.70%		
An Foras Pátrúnachta	48	78.70%	Number of primary schools in SPA	25
City of Dublin ETB	0	0.00%	Total Enrolment	6,021
Lifeways Ireland CLG	1	1.60%	Of which are Gaelscoileanna	2
Scoil Sinéad	0	0.00%	Enrolments in Gaelscoileanna	482
	<b>61</b>	<b>16.40%</b>	<b>% Current Irish Provision in SPA</b>	<b>8.00%</b>

Irish-medium provision will be kept under active review by the Department in line with the process set out in the Department's overall report to the NSEG, including, where appropriate, proactively exploring the level of demand for Irish-medium provision, and the scope for this to be dealt with through the expansion of existing provision in the area/surrounding areas and/or requirements for new schools into the future.

## **5. Conclusions**

- All patrons have confirmed that they will satisfy the requirements as set out by the Department for the patronage of new schools.
- All proposed models would increase diversity in the area by providing multi-denominational provision in the area.
- Educate Together received the highest number of valid first preference votes i.e. 279 or 74.8%.
- The level of parental preferences for Irish-medium instruction is relatively low with 61 of 373 valid first preferences (16.4%) compared with 279 of 373 valid first preferences (74.8%) for English-medium instruction.
- Based on the results of the parental preferences and broader analysis, including the extent of diversity currently available in this and the adjoining school planning areas, the analysis indicates that the patronage of the new primary school for the Killester\_Raheny\_Clontarf school planning area should be awarded to Educate Together to provide a multi-denominational primary school with English as the language of instruction.

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