



*Coláiste Pobail  
an Bhóthair Bhuí*

**Enfield Community  
College**



*Dublin Road, Enfield, Co. Meath*

A83VX31

## **POLICY FOR ADMISSION TO ENFIELD COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

A decision on an application for admission will be based on the implementation of this Policy, the information set out in the annual Admission Notice of the school and the information provided by the Applicant in the application for admission, once received before the closing date set out in the annual Admission Notice. The Principal of Enfield Community College is responsible for the implementation of this Admission Policy.

## **INTRODUCTION TO ENFIELD COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

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Enfield Community College was established in 2020 and is part of the Louth Meath Education and Training Board. Our college is a co-educational post primary school catering for an ever-increasing population growth within the greater Enfield area. A comprehensive academic curriculum is promoted in addition to an extensive programme of extra – curricular activities.

Enfield Community College is now located on the permanent site on the Dublin Road (A83VX31). It is envisaged that our College will be located here for the next 2 years approximately. After which, it is expected we will move into a new state of the art 1000 pupil school on the same campus.

Our challenge is to set standards which will command the respect and the pride of the community. Our goals include aspiring towards excellence, creating high expectations, developing a holistic approach to education and instilling a sense of pride and respect among parents, pupils and staff. We pride ourselves in providing a high-quality education to all of our students, inspiring them to develop their abilities to their full potential. All who are associated with our College are focused on our success and on providing a quality education for the youth of the community whom we serve.

Our students are encouraged to actively partake in the leadership of our College through their participation on our Student Council. The role of our student leaders is to represent the views, concerns and aspirations of the student body. They will work in partnership with school management, staff and parents for the benefit of the College and the student body. This ensures that our College is student orientated and adapts to the ever-changing needs of the students.

The philosophy of Enfield Community College is one of inclusiveness. We respect diversity, parental choice and equality. Parental involvement in all aspects of our development is an essential and appreciated part of our College. Parents are represented on the Board of Management and there is an active Parents' Association. Our mission statement underlines our philosophy of fostering self-esteem, a positive attitude towards learning, the

promotion of responsible behaviour and the encouragement of dignity and respect in all our endeavours.

Louth and Meath Education and Training Board (LMETB) is the largest comprehensive educational provider in the Louth and Meath region with a range of educational services from primary to post primary and further education and training. Louth and Meath Education and Training Board is committed to excellence and innovation in the education of young people and adults through the provision of dynamic services delivered by professional staff.

LMETB manages four Community National Schools, one Community Special School, a Centre for European Schooling, eighteen post primary schools including one school with Post Leaving Certificate provision and two dedicated Post Leaving Certificate colleges. LMETB is also joint patron of six Community Schools located in Ardee, Ashbourne, Athboy, Drogheda, Kells and Trim.

Each LMETB school and college has proven itself as a centre of excellence in teaching, learning and assessment in its local community. LMETB schools provide a welcoming atmosphere for students, staff, parents and the local communities in which they operate. The LMETB school/college experience is one where a warm relationship exists between teachers and learners and the atmosphere in lessons is positive and conducive to learning. A broad and balanced curriculum with a diverse range of co-curricular and extracurricular activities where the aptitudes of students are central to its design is available in LMETB schools. Each of these schools has built a very positive reputation in the local communities in which they operate and each school continues to enjoy strong parental support and a high level of satisfaction with the quality of teaching, learning and assessment.

At Further Education and Training level, LMETB manages Youthreach Centres, The Advanced Manufacturing Training Centre of Excellence (AMTCE), and an extensive range of Adult Education Services throughout counties Louth and Meath, including Adult Learning Services, Community Education, Back to Education Initiatives (BTEI), VTOS and Adult Guidance. Details of all LMETB schools and centres are included on our website [www.lmetb.ie](http://www.lmetb.ie). You can also read more about LMETB on our Twitter page @LouthMeathETB

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# **PART A**

## ***General Information for All Applicants***

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## 1 GLOSSARY OF TERMS

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**'Applicant'** means the parent / guardian of a Student, or, in the case of a Student who has reached the age of 18 years, the Student, who has made an application for admission to Enfield Community College.

**'Student'** means the person in respect of whom the application is being made. All uses of the word throughout this Policy therefore imply 'prospective' as part of the interpretation. That is, the use of the word 'Student' does not mean that an application or acceptance of offer makes him/her a student of Enfield Community College; a person is only regarded as a student of Enfield Community College once s/he is enrolled on his/her first day of attendance. It does not include a person who was formerly enrolled in the school and was permanently excluded from the school or who left the school after being recommended for expulsion by the Board of Management.

**'Enrolled'** means attending the school as a registered student, in line with section 20(2) of the Education (Welfare) Act 2000.

**'Gender'**, in line with the definition of "*the gender ground*" in the Equal Status Act 2000, is such that "*one is male and the other is female*". This does not prejudice any Student who is Intersex or identifies as Androgynous/ Androgyne, Bigender, Demigender, Gender Fluid, Genderqueer, Multigender, Neutrois, Non-binary, Transgender, Transsexual or otherwise.

**'Catchment Area'** refers to the designated residential area for application to Enfield Community College in respect of the person on whose behalf the application is being made. The catchment area for Enfield Community College is defined as: Enfield – Kilcock School Planning Area as outlined in the Department of Education Map which is available to download on the Enfield Community College Webpage, <http://www.lmetb.ie/school/enfield-community-college/> **See Appendix A.**

**'Catchment Area for the Special Class (es)'** refers to the designated residential area for application to the Special Class(es) within Enfield Community College in respect of the person on whose behalf the application is being made. The catchment area for the Special Class(es) within Enfield Community College is defined as: Enfield – Kilcock School

Planning Area as outlined in the Department of Education Map which is available to download on the Enfield Community College Webpage, <http://www.lmetb.ie/school/enfield-community-college/> **See Appendix A.**

**'Parent'** has the same meaning as in the Education Act 1998 and includes a foster parent and a guardian appointed under the Guardianship of Children Acts, 1964 to 1997.

**'Feeder Primary Schools'** refers to the primary schools of preference for application to Enfield Community College. The feeder primary schools for Enfield Community College are:

|                                  |  |                     |
|----------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| St Mary's Primary School Enfield | Enfield Co Meath ,Meath A83X316              | Roll number: 17821L |
| Newtown National School          | Enfield Co Meath. ,Kildare A83HW74           | Roll number: 18650P |
| Coole National School            | Garradice Kilcock Co Kildare. ,Meath W23AXK8 | Roll number: 18051Q |
| Moynalvey National School        | Moynalvey Summerhill Co Meath ,Meath A83KD81 | Roll number: 18344I |
| Tiermohan National School        | Donadea Naas Co Kildare ,Kildare W91HX78     | Roll number: 18666H |
| Scoil Nais Maol Hosae            | Kilcock Co Kildare ,Meath W23T8YC            | Roll number: 18887A |
| Scoil Choca Naofa                | Cill Choca Cill Dara ,Kildare W23KD79        | Roll number: 11976K |
| St Joseph's National School      | Highfield Park, Kilcock, Kildare, W23RX07    | Roll number: 16706G |
| Scoil Ui Riada                   | Cill Choca Co Chill Dara ,Kildare W23KNW8    | Roll number: 19897I |

The following Primary schools are also prioritised for enrolment to Enfield Community College:

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|-------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| St Patricks National School   | Droichead Baile Sean Enfield Co Kildare ,Kildare A83KD59 | Roll number: 18130M |
| National School Scoil Treasa  | Kilshanroe Enfield Co Kildare ,Kildare A83PC95           | Roll number: 18445O |
| Scoil Naisiunta Naomh Padraig | Baile Bacuin Enfield Co, Meath A83f863                   | Roll NUMBER 02905J  |

For the purpose of the selection criterion relating to the student having a sibling currently enrolled in the school, **'Sibling'** refers to full siblings, half-siblings, foster-siblings, step-siblings and students who reside in the same household.

**'Special Class'** means a class that has, with the approval of the Minister of Education, been established by a school to provide an education exclusively for Students with a category or categories of special educational needs specified by the Minister of Education.

Enfield Community College has two Special Class(es), established to cater for special educational needs of Students with Autism/Autistic Spectrum Disorders and one Moderate General Learning Disability Class.

**'Relevant Report'**, as advised by the Department of Education and the National Council for Special Education (NCSE), means a written report based on an assessment by a relevant professional, which:

- (a) provides detailed evidence of the Student's needs,
- (b) confirms that those needs constitute complex/severe educational needs which arise from a named diagnosis relating to the Student, and
- (c) makes a recommendation for a Special Class placement for the Student on the basis of his/her complex/severe educational needs arising from said diagnosis.

The relevant professional may include an educational psychologist, psychologist, other relevant health professionals, HSE disability services or HSE multi-disciplinary team staff, in line with guidance issued by the NCSE on this point.

**'First-Year'** means the intake group of Students for the most junior class or year in a school.



## 2 ADMISSION STATEMENT

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ETB schools are state, co-educational, multidenominational schools underpinned by the core values of:

- Excellence in Education;
- Care;
- Equality;
- Community and
- Respect.



As the state provider of education, the ETB sector defines a ‘multidenominational’ school in the following way:

In ETB schools, all students are given equal opportunities for enrolment in line with the Education (Admissions to School) Act 2018. Once enrolled, our schools strive to provide all students with equal opportunities to engage with the curriculum and school life. In all aspects of school life all members of our school communities are treated equitably regardless of their race, gender, religion/belief, age, family status, civil status, membership of the Traveller community, sexual orientation, ability or socio-economic status.

Enfield Community College provides a safe physical and social environment that reinforces a sense of belonging to the school community and wider society. They strive to enable every student to realise their full potential regardless of any aspect of their identity or background. Our school promotes a fully inclusive education that recognises the plurality of identities, beliefs and values held by students, parents and staff. We prepare open-minded, culturally sensitive and responsible citizens with a strong sense of shared values.

In Enfield Community College, students of all religions and beliefs are treated equally. The school environment and activities do not privilege any particular group over another

whilst at the same time acknowledging and facilitating students of all religions and beliefs.

Accordingly, Enfield Community College shall not discriminate in its admission of a Student based on the following grounds:

- 2.1. Gender of the Student or Applicant;
- 2.2. Civil status of the Student or Applicant;
- 2.3. Family status of the Student or Applicant;
- 2.4. Sexual orientation of the Student or Applicant;
- 2.5. Religion of the Student or Applicant;
- 2.6. Disability of the Student or Applicant;
- 2.7. Race of the Student or Applicant;
- 2.8. The Student's or Applicant's membership of the Traveller community;
- 2.9. Special educational needs of the Student or Applicant. However, where the school provides education exclusively for a category or categories of special educational need(s) in a Special Class, it is not discriminatory to refuse to admit to that class a Student who does not have the specified special educational need(s).

Enfield Community College shall not charge fees or payments or seek contributions as a condition of admission or continued enrolment of a Student.

### **3 LEGAL FRAMEWORK**

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LMETB was established under the Education and Training Board Act 2013 which sets out the functions of all ETBs, including to establish and maintain recognised schools, centres for education and education and training facilities in each ETB's functional area.

The board of management of Enfield Community College is a committee established under section 44 of the Education and Training Board Act 2013 and also constitutes a board of management within the meaning of the Education Act 1998.

The Education (Admission to Schools) Act 2018 and the Education (Welfare) Act 2000 place a duty on all recognised schools to prepare and publish an Admission Policy.

The Education Act, 1998 provides for an appeal process in the event of a refusal to admit a student. The appeal process is set out in section 5.3 in respect of applications made to the First-Year Group and in section 6.3 in respect of applications made to all years other than the First-Year Group.

It is important to understand that our school does not provide 'religious instruction' and therefore the legal requirement to advise of the option to opt-out of religious instruction does not arise in this school. It is also important to understand the distinction between 'religious instruction' and religious education':

- Religious instruction is a term used in Ireland to indicate instruction in accordance with the rites, practices and teachings of a particular religion or denomination for pupils of that religious tradition. Religious instruction may be provided in a denominational school setting.
- Religious education is open to all pupils regardless of their commitment to any particular religion or worldview. It seeks to contribute to the spiritual and moral development of all students equally.

As ETB schools are 'multi-denominational', Enfield Community College supports the provision of religious education that caters for all students regardless of their religious or non-religious beliefs and therefore does not provide religious instruction of any particular religion or belief

Enfield Community College will cooperate with the National Council for Special Education in the performance by the Council of its functions under the Education for Persons with Special Educational Needs Act 2004 in relation to the provision of education to children with special educational needs, including in particular by the provision and operation of a special class or classes when requested to do so by the Council.

Enfield Community College will comply with any direction served on the patron or the board under section 37A and any direction served on the board under section 67 (4b) of the Education Act.

#### **4 GENERAL ADMISSION PROVISIONS**

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A decision on an application for admission shall be based on:

- the implementation of this Admission Policy,
- the annual Admission Notice of the school, and the
- information provided by the Applicant in the application for admission.

If, prior to the commencement of section 62 of the Education Act 1998 by the Education (Admission to Schools) Act 2018 on the 1<sup>st</sup> February 2020, Enfield Community College had confirmed, in writing, that an Applicant had been placed on a list relating to the allocation of school places for entrance before the 1<sup>st</sup> February 2025, then this confirmation is still valid and the Applicant will be offered that place.

In processing an application Enfield Community College **shall not consider:**

- 4.1 The payment of fees or contributions to the school;
- 4.2 A Student's academic ability, skills or aptitude; unless:
  - it is necessary to ascertain whether or not the Student has the category of special educational needs concerned for admission to a school approved by the Minister of Education providing education exclusively to Students with a specified category of special educational needs or a special class;
- 4.3 The occupation, financial status, academic ability, skills or aptitude of a Student's Parent(s);
- 4.4 A requirement that a Student or his or her Parent(s), attend an interview, open day or other meeting as a condition of admission;
- 4.5 A Student's connection to the school due to a member of his or her family attending or having previously attended the school, (unless the connection is a sibling of the Student concerned attending, or having attended, the school).
- 4.6 The date and time on which an application for admission was received by the school as long as it is received during the period specified for receiving applications set out in the annual Admission Notice for that academic year.

**Enfield Community College will consider** the offer of a place to every Student seeking admission to the school, **unless one of the following applies:**

- 4.7 The Parent fails to confirm in writing that s/he accepts the Student Code of Behaviour and he/she shall make all reasonable efforts to ensure compliance with such code by the Student;
- 4.8 The Student seeking admission to a Special Class in the school does not have the category of special educational needs specified by the Minister of Education in respect of that class.

Where Enfield Community College considers an application, each Student shall receive a place, unless the school is oversubscribed, in which case, selection criteria will be applied to each application.

Section 5 of this Policy addresses the selection criteria and other matters related to the admission provisions for the First-Year Group.

Section 6 of this Policy addresses the selection criteria and other matters related to the admission provisions for all year groups other than First-Year.

Section 7 of this Policy addresses the selection criteria and other matters related to the admission provisions for the Special Class(es).

# **PART B**

## ***Information for Specific Categories of Applicants***

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# **SECTION 5**

## **APPLICATION TO THE FIRST-YEAR GROUP**

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### **5 APPLICATION TO THE FIRST-YEAR GROUP**

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## **5.1 ADMISSION PROVISIONS (FIRST-YEAR GROUP)**

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Where Enfield Community College is not oversubscribed, all Students will be offered a school place, subject to sections 4.7 and 4.8.

A Student applying for the First-Year Group but seeking admission to the Special Class should see section 7 of this Admission Policy. If the Student is also applying for a place in the mainstream First-Year Group in the event of an unsuccessful application to the Special Class, this section 5 is also applicable.

### **5.1.1 Oversubscription**

When the number of applications exceeds the number of places available, the published selection criteria as set out at section 5.1.2 below will apply and a waiting list shall be compiled which shall remain valid only for the school year in respect of which the applications are made. Where Enfield Community College is in a position to offer further school places that become available for and during that academic year, places will be offered in accordance with the order of priority in which Students have been placed on the waiting list, subject to the provisions of section 7.1.1 regarding the Special Class.

For the avoidance of doubt, if a Student does not receive a place in the school for a given academic year, but s/he wishes to be considered for admission to the same year group in the following academic year, a new application must be made on behalf of that Student during the dates specified by the school as being the period when it will accept applications to all year groups other than First-Year.

Where an application is made on behalf of a Student for both the Special Class and a mainstream year group, and his/her application for one but not both is successful, s/he will remain in the same position on the waiting list for the group to which s/he was not successful, regardless of whether the Applicant accepts the place in the group to which the Student was successful.

Where the school is oversubscribed, any selection criteria that are not included in this Admission Policy shall not be considered in determining whether or not a Student is admitted to the school.

**5.1.2 Selection criteria in order of priority**

Enfield Community College will apply the following criteria for admission to the First-Year Group:

5.1.2.1 If the student attends any one of the following schools and does not reside within the defined catchment area;

|                                  |  |                     |
|----------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| St Mary's Primary School Enfield | Enfield Co Meath ,Meath A83X316              | Roll number: 17821L |
| Newtown National School          | Enfield Co Meath. ,Kildare A83HW74           | Roll number: 18650P |
| Cooles National School           | Garradice Kilcock Co Kildare. ,Meath W23AXK8 | Roll number: 18051Q |
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5.1.2.2 If the student resides in the Catchment Area; as outlined by Enfield- Kilcock catchment planning area map. Refer to Appendix A;

5.1.2.3 Children who attend anyone of the following schools;

|                               |  |                     |
|-------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| St Patricks National School   | Droichead Baile Sean Enfield Co Kildare ,Kildare A83KD59 | Roll number: 18130M |
| National School Scoil Treasa  | Kilshanroe Enfield Co Kildare ,Kildare A83PC95           | Roll number: 18445O |
| Scoil Naisiunta Naomh Padraig | Baile Bacuin Enfield Co, Meath A83f863                   | Roll NUMBER 02905J  |

5.1.2.4 If the Student has siblings currently enrolled in the school;

5.1.2.5 If a parent/guardian of the student is a member of staff of the school;

5.1.2.6 All other Applicants.

See section 7 for selection criteria applicable to admission to the Special Class.

### **5.1.3 Selection process**

Enfield Community College will apply the selection process as follows:

Applications are considered against the published selection criteria. Places will be offered in the first instance to those who meet the first criterion. Subsequently, where the school still has places available, the remaining Applicants are considered in light of the second criterion and those Applicants who meet this criterion will be offered a place within the school. This process is continuously carried out against all selection criteria until all available places have been offered and accepted.

Where two or more applications are tied in the foregoing selection process, Enfield Community College will apply a random lottery to assign any available places in the school, or on the waiting list, to those applications.

N.B. The number of places available in a year group is subject to reduction in the event that a placement(s) in the Special Class is/are given to Student(s) from that year group, i.e. the selection process for the Special Class will be completed before the selection process for the mainstream year group and the number of Students who are offered a place in the Special Class will be the number by which the places in the relevant mainstream year group(s) are reduced<sup>1</sup>.

### **5.1.4 Late applications**

An application received by Enfield Community College after the closing date published by the school, and set out in the Admission Notice, is considered a late application for the purposes of this Admission Policy.

Where Enfield Community College is oversubscribed and receives a late application for admission, that application will receive a place on the waiting list beneath Applicants whose applications were received by the school before the closing date for applications, irrespective of any selection criteria which may have been applied to applications received before the closing date of applications. Such late applications will be placed on the waiting list in accordance with the date and time they were received by the school, subject to section 4.7 and 4.8. For the avoidance of doubt, selection criteria are not relevant to, and will not be applied to, late applications.

<sup>1</sup> This approach is based on section 2 of the Education for Persons with Special Educational Needs (EPSEN) Act 2004 which requires that: "A child with Special educational needs shall be educated in an inclusive environment with children who do not have such needs unless the nature or degree of those needs of the child is such that to do so would be inconsistent with the best interests of the child as determined in accordance with any assessment carried out... or the effective provision of education for children with whom the child is to be educated".

Where Enfield Community College is not oversubscribed, *i.e.* there is no waiting list, and it receives a late application, the Student seeking admission will receive an offer of a place within the school, subject to sections 4.7 and 4.8 and the same process as applies to Applicants whose applications were received before the closing date will be applied *i.e.* an Acceptance Form will be issued to the Applicant for completion and return to the school within 2 weeks of issue.

#### **5.1.5 Second/third-round offers of a place**

Where a Student is in receipt of an offer of a place within Enfield Community College but does not accept the offer, or the school withdraws the offer in line with the relevant provisions of this Policy, the place will be offered to the next Student on the waiting list in a second-round of offers. This process will continue throughout third and fourth rounds *etc.* until all places within the school have been filled.

#### **5.1.6 Acceptance of a place**

If the Student in respect of whom the application is made is offered a place, the Applicant will be issued with an Acceptance Form by the school.

The Applicant shall indicate acceptance of an offer by fully completing and returning the Acceptance Form by the date set out in the School's Admission Notice, or within 2 weeks of issuing by the school if it is a late application or if it is a second/third-round offer. This includes indicating whether or not s/he has applied for and is awaiting confirmation of an offer of admission from another school.

Failure to fully complete and return the Acceptance Form to the school by the date set out in the School's Admission Notice, or within 2 weeks of issuing by the school if it is a late application or if it is a second/third-round offer, may result in withdrawal of an offer, in line with the grounds for withdrawal of an offer, as set out below.

#### **5.1.7 Refusal**

Where a Student in respect of whom an application is being sought has not been offered a school place, the Applicant will be provided in writing with:

- 5.1.7.1. The reasons that the Student was not offered a place in Enfield Community College;
- 5.1.7.2. Details of the Student's ranking against the published selection criteria, if the year group to which the Applicant is applying is oversubscribed;
- 5.1.7.3. Details of the Student's place on the waiting list, if applicable; and
- 5.1.7.4. Details of the Applicant's right to appeal the decision.

In addition to the conditions for consideration of an application as set out at 4.7 and 4.8, an offer of admission may not be made where:

- 5.1.7.5. The information contained in the application is false or misleading in a material respect.

#### **5.1.8 Withdrawal of an offer**

An offer of admission may be withdrawn where:

- 5.1.8.1. The information contained in the application is false or misleading in a material respect, or

- 5.1.8.2. The Applicant fails to confirm acceptance of an offer of admission on or before the date set out in the annual Admission Notice of the school for the academic year for which s/he is applying, or in the case of a late application, or second/third-round offer, within 2 weeks, or
- 5.1.8.3. An Applicant has not indicated:
- (i) whether or not s/he has applied for and is awaiting confirmation of an offer from another school(s) and if so, the details of the school(s);  
and
  - (ii) whether or not s/he has accepted an offer of admission from another school(s) and if so, the details of the offer(s).

If an offer of a place is withdrawn by the school, the Student on whose behalf the application was made shall lose his/her place for that academic year (and shall not be placed on a waiting list). If the Applicant still desires a place for that academic year, a new application must be made for the same academic year on behalf of that Student and shall be treated as a late application in line with section 5.1.4 above.

### **5.1.9 Appeals**

For information relating to an Applicant's right to appeal a decision of Enfield Community College regarding admission to the First-Year Group, see section 5.2

## **5.2. APPEALS**

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### **5.2.1 Appeal where refusal was due to oversubscription:**

An Applicant who was refused admission because the school is oversubscribed and who wishes to appeal this decision must first request a review by the board of management in writing, via a 'BOMR1 Form', available from the school office and on the school's website, for it to be reviewed by the board of management of Enfield Community College. Such a review must be sought by the Applicant within twenty-one calendar days of the school's decision to refuse to admit. However, if a different time period for the bringing of such an appeal is specified by the Minister for Education after the publication of this Policy, same shall apply instead. Completed BOMR1 Forms should be submitted to the school office or online by emailing [Enfieldcommunitycollege@lmetb.ie](mailto:Enfieldcommunitycollege@lmetb.ie).

If an Applicant is not satisfied with the decision of the board of management, or the board of management is not in a position to review the decision to refuse admission, the Applicant may apply to bring an appeal to an Appeals Committee established by the Minister for Education under section 29A of the Education Act 1998. Appeals must be made in writing on a 'Section 29 Appeal Form' and must be submitted to the Section 29 Appeals Administration Unit in the Department of Education. The 'Section 29 Appeal Form' may be downloaded from the Department's website or may be obtained directly from the Section 29 Appeals Administration Unit in the Department of Education. Contact details for the Unit are available on the Department's website. As per the Department of Education's *'Procedures for hearing and determining appeals under section 29'*, such an appeal must not be brought until the Applicant has received correspondence from the board of management in relation to the review, or until 42 calendar days have passed since the date of initial refusal and may not be brought later than 63 calendar days after the initial decision to refuse admission.

### **5.2.2 Appeal where refusal was for a reason other than oversubscription:**

An Applicant who was refused admission to Enfield Community College for a reason other than the school being oversubscribed and who wishes to appeal this decision may first choose to request a review by the board of management, via a 'BOMR1 Form',

available from the school office and on the school's website, for it to be reviewed by the board of management of Enfield Community College. Such a review must be sought by the Applicant within twenty-one calendar days of receipt by the Applicant of the school's decision to refuse to admit. However, if a different time period for the bringing of such an appeal is specified by the Minister for Education after the publication of this policy, same shall apply instead. Completed BOMR1 Forms should be submitted to the school office or online by emailing [Enfieldcommunitycollege@lmetb.ie](mailto:Enfieldcommunitycollege@lmetb.ie). (An applicant may withdraw a request for review at any time prior to the conclusion of the review by notifying the board of management in writing to that effect.)

Alternatively, s/he may choose to apply to bring an appeal to an Appeals Committee established by the Minister for Education under section 29A of the Education Act 1998. Appeals must be made in writing on a 'Section 29 Appeal Form' and must be submitted to the Section 29 Appeals Administration Unit in the Department of Education. The 'Section 29 Appeal Form' may be downloaded from the Department's website or may be obtained directly from the Section 29 Appeals Administration Unit in the Department of Education. Contact details for the Unit are available on the Department's website. As per the Department of Education's *Procedures for hearing and determining appeals under section 29*, such an appeal may not be brought later than 63 calendar days after the initial decision to refuse admission.

If an Applicant who seeks a review by the board of management is not satisfied with the decision of the board of management, the Applicant may also apply to bring an appeal to an appeals committee established by the Minister for Education under section 29A of the Education Act 1998, as outlined in the immediately preceding paragraph.

### **5.2.3 Basis for a review by the board of management:**

As required by section 29C (2) of the Education Act 1998, any request for the board of management to review a decision of the school to refuse admission must be based on the implementation of this Admission Policy, the content of the school's Admission Notice and also set out the grounds of the request to review the decision.



# **SECTION 6**

## **APPLICATION TO ALL YEAR GROUPS OTHER THAN FIRST-YEAR**

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### **6 APPLICATION TO ALL YEAR GROUPS OTHER THAN FIRST-YEAR**

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#### **6.1 Admission Provisions (other than First-Year)**

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- 6.2.3 Basis for a review by the board of management

## **6.1 ADMISSION PROVISIONS (OTHER THAN FIRST-YEAR)**

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For the academic year 2025/ 2026 only 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, Transition year, Leaving certificate 1&2 and LCA 2 students will be enrolled within the school.

Where Enfield Community College is not oversubscribed, all Students will be offered a school place, subject to sections 4.7 and 4.8.

A Student applying for admission to a year group other than First-Year but seeking admission to the Special Class should see section 7 of this Admission Policy. If the Student is also applying for a place in the mainstream year group other than First-Year in the event of an unsuccessful application to the Special Class, this section 6 is also applicable.

### **6.1.1 Oversubscription**

When the number of applications exceeds the number of places available, the published selection criteria as set out at section 6.1.2 below will apply and a waiting list shall be compiled which shall remain valid only for the school year in respect of which the applications are made. Where Enfield Community College is in a position to offer further school places that become available for and during that academic year, places will be offered in accordance with the order of priority in which Students have been placed on the waiting list, subject to the provisions of section 7.1.1 regarding the Special Class.

For the avoidance of doubt, if a Student does not receive a place in the school for a given academic year, but s/he wishes to be considered for admission in the following academic year, a new application must be made on behalf of that Student during the dates specified by the school as being the period when it will accept applications to all years other than the First-Year Group.

“Where an application is made on behalf of a Student for both the Special Class and a mainstream year group, and his/her application for one but not both is successful, s/he will remain in the same position on the waiting list for the group to which s/he was not successful, regardless of whether the Applicant accepts the place in the group to which the Student was successful.

Where the school is oversubscribed, any selection criteria that are not included in this Admission Policy shall not be considered in determining whether or not a Student is admitted to the school.

Where the Transition Year Programme and Leaving Certificate Applied Programme in Enfield Community College are oversubscribed, a student applying for admission to such programmes in the relevant year group, will, subject to this policy, be placed on the appropriate waiting list already compiled (annually) by the school, this list will contain the names of students enrolled in the school who have been placed on an internal waiting list for these programmes.

#### **6.1.2 Selection criteria in order of priority**

Enfield Community College will apply the following criteria for admission to a year group other than First-Year:

- 6.1.2.1. If the Student resides in the catchment area; as outlined by Enfield-Kilcock catchment planning area map- refer to Appendix A
- 6.1.2.2. If the Student has siblings currently enrolled in the school
- 6.1.2.3. If a parent/guardian of the student is a member of staff of the school
- 6.1.2.4. All Other Applicants

See section 7 for selection criteria applicable to admission to the Special Class.

Any selection criteria that are not included in this Admission Policy shall not be considered in determining whether or not an Applicant is admitted.

#### **6.1.3 Selection process**

Enfield Community College will apply the selection process as follows:

Applications are considered against the published selection criteria. Places will be offered in the first instance to those who meet the first criterion. Subsequently, where the school still has places available, the remaining Applicants are considered in light of the second criterion and those Applicants who meet this criterion will be offered a place within the

school. This process is continuously carried out against all selection criteria until all available places have been offered and accepted.

Where two or more applications are tied in the foregoing selection process, Enfield Community College will apply a random lottery to assign any available places in the school, or on the waiting list, to those applications.

N.B. The number of places available in a year group is subject to reduction in the event that a placement(s) in the Special Class is/are given to Student(s) from that year group, i.e. the selection process for the Special Class will be completed before the selection process for the mainstream year group and the number of Students who are offered a place in the Special Class will be the number by which the places in the relevant mainstream year group(s) are reduced<sup>2</sup>.

#### **6.1.4 Late applications:**

An application received by Enfield Community College after the closing date published by Enfield Community College, and set out in the Admission Notice, is considered a late application for the purposes of this Admission Policy.

Where Enfield Community College is oversubscribed and receives a late application for admission, that application will receive a place on the waiting list beneath Applicants whose applications were received by the school before the closing date for applications, irrespective of any selection criteria which may have been applied to applications received before the closing date for applications. Such late applications will be placed on the waiting list in accordance with the date and time they were received by the school, subject to sections 4.7 and 4.8. For the avoidance of doubt, selection criteria are not relevant to, and will not be applied to, late applications.

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<sup>2</sup> This approach is based on section 2 of the Education for Persons with Special Educational Needs (EPSEN) Act 2004, which require that: "A child with special educational needs shall be educated in an inclusive environment with children who do not have such needs unless the nature or degree of those needs of the child is such that to do so would be inconsistent with the best interests of the child as determined in

accordance with any assessment carried out.....or the effective provision of education for children with whom the child is to be educated.”

Where Enfield Community College is not oversubscribed, *i.e.* there is no waiting list, and it receives a late application, the Student seeking admission will receive an offer of a place within Enfield Community College, subject to sections 4.7 and 4.8 and the same process as applies to Applicants whose applications were received before the closing date will be applied, *i.e.* an Acceptance Form will be issued to the Applicant for completion and return to the school within 2 weeks of issue.

#### **6.1.5 Second/third-round offers of a place**

Where a Student is in receipt of an offer of a place within Enfield Community College but does not accept the offer, or the school withdraws the offer in line with the relevant provisions of this Policy, the place will be offered to the next Student on the waiting list in a second-round of offers. This process will continue throughout third and fourth rounds *etc.* until all places within the school have been filled.

#### **6.1.6 Acceptance of a place:**

If the Student in respect of whom the application is made is offered a place, the Applicant will be issued with an Acceptance Form by the school.

The Applicant shall indicate acceptance of an offer by fully completing and returning the Acceptance Form by the date set out in the School Admission Notice, or within 2 weeks of issuing by the school if it is a late application or if it is a second/third-round offer. This includes indicating whether or not s/he has applied for and is awaiting confirmation of an offer of admission from another school.

Failure to fully complete and return the Acceptance Form to the school by the date set out in the School Admission Notice, or within 2 weeks of issuing by the school if it is a late application or if it is a second/third-round offer, may result in withdrawal of an offer, in line with the grounds for withdrawal of an offer, as set out below.

#### **6.1.7 Refusal:**

Where a Student in respect of whom an application is being sought has not been offered a school place, the Applicant will be provided in writing with:

- 6.1.7.1. The reasons that the Student was not offered a place in Enfield Community College,
- 6.1.7.2. Details of the Student's ranking against the published selection criteria, if the year group to which the Applicant is applying is oversubscribed,
- 6.1.7.3. Details of the Student's place on the waiting list, if applicable, and
- 6.1.7.4. Details of the Applicant's right to appeal the decision.

In addition to the conditions for consideration of an application as set out at 4.7 and 4.8, an offer of admission may not be made where:

- 6.1.7.5. The information contained in the application is false or misleading in a material respect.

#### **6.1.8 Withdrawal of an offer**

An offer of admission may be withdrawn where:

- 6.1.8.1. The information contained in the application is false or misleading in a material respect, or
- 6.1.8.2. The Applicant fails to confirm acceptance of an offer of admission on or before the date set out in the annual Admission Notice of the school for the academic year for which s/he is applying, or in the case of a late application, or second/third-round offer, within 2 weeks, or
- 6.1.8.3. An Applicant has not indicated:
  - (i) whether or not s/he has applied for and is awaiting confirmation of an offer from another school(s) and if so, the details of the school(s);  
and
  - (ii) whether or not s/he has accepted an offer of admission from another school(s) and if so, the details of the offer(s).

If an offer of a place is withdrawn by the school, the Student on whose behalf the application was made shall lose his/her place for that academic year (and shall not be placed on a waiting list). If the Applicant still desires a place for that academic year, a new application must be made for the same academic year on behalf of that Student and shall be treated as a late application in line with section 6.1.4 above.

**6.1.9 Appeals:**

For information relating to an Applicant's right to appeal a decision of Enfield Community College regarding admission to a year group other than First-Year, see section 6.2

## **6.2 APPEALS**

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### **6.2.1 Appeal where refusal was due to oversubscription:**

An Applicant who was refused admission because the school is oversubscribed and who wishes to appeal this decision must first request a review by the board of management in writing, via a 'BOMR1 Form', available from the school office and on the school's website, for it to be reviewed by the board of management of Enfield Community College. Such a review must be sought by the Applicant within twenty-one calendar days of the school's decision to refuse to admit. However, if a different time period for the bringing of such an appeal is specified by the Minister for Education after the publication of this Policy, same shall apply instead. Completed BOMR1 Forms should be submitted to the school office or online by emailing [Enfieldcommunitycollege@lmetb.ie](mailto:Enfieldcommunitycollege@lmetb.ie).

If an Applicant is not satisfied with the decision of the board of management, or the board of management is not in a position to review the decision to refuse admission, the Applicant may apply to bring an appeal to an Appeals Committee established by the Minister for Education under section 29A of the Education Act 1998. Appeals must be made in writing on a 'Section 29 Appeal Form' and must be submitted to the Section 29 Appeals Administration Unit in the Department of Education. The 'Section 29 Appeal Form' may be downloaded from the Department's website or may be obtained directly from the Section 29 Appeals Administration Unit in the Department of Education. Contact details for the Unit are available on the Department's website. As per the Department of Education's *'Procedures for hearing and determining appeals under section 29'*, such an appeal must not be brought until the Applicant has received correspondence from the board of management in relation to the review, or until 42 calendar days have passed since the date of initial refusal and may not be brought later than 63 calendar days after the initial decision to refuse admission.

### **6.2.2. Appeal where refusal was for a reason other than oversubscription:**

An Applicant who was refused admission to Enfield Community College for a reason other than the school being oversubscribed and who wishes to appeal this decision may first choose to request a review by the board of management, via a 'BOMR1 Form', available from the school office and on the school's website, for it to be reviewed by the board of management of Enfield Community College. Such a review must be sought by the



Applicant within twenty-one calendar days of receipt by the Applicant of the school's decision to refuse to admit. However, if a different time period for the bringing of such an appeal is specified by the Minister for Education after the publication of this policy, same shall apply instead. Completed BOMR1 Forms should be submitted to the school office or online by emailing Enfieldcommunitycollege @lmetb.ie. (An applicant may withdraw a request for review at any time prior to the conclusion of the review by notifying the board of management in writing to that effect.)

Alternatively, s/he may choose to apply to bring an appeal to an Appeals Committee established by the Minister for Education under section 29A of the Education Act 1998. Appeals must be made in writing on a 'Section 29 Appeal Form' and must be submitted to the Section 29 Appeals Administration Unit in the Department of Education. The 'Section 29 Appeal Form' may be downloaded from the Department's website or may be obtained directly from the Section 29 Appeals Administration Unit in the Department of Education. Contact details for the Unit are available on the Department's website. As per the Department of Education's *'Procedures for hearing and determining appeals under section 29'*, such an appeal may not be brought later than 63 calendar days after the initial decision to refuse admission.

If an Applicant who seeks a review by the board of management is not satisfied with the decision of the board of management, the Applicant may also apply to bring an appeal to an appeals committee established by the Minister for Education and Skills under section 29A of the Education Act 1998, as outlined in the immediately preceding paragraph.

**6.2.3. Basis for a review by the Board of Management:**

As required by section 29C (2) of the Education Act 1998, any request for the board of management to review a decision of the school to refuse admission must be based on the implementation of this Admission Policy, the content of the school's Admission Notice and also set out the grounds of the request to review the decision.

# SECTION 7

## APPLICATION TO THE SPECIAL

### **7. Application to the Special Class(es)**

#### **7.1 Admission Provisions for the Special Class(es)**

- 7.1.1. Oversubscription
- 7.1.2. Selection criteria in order of priority
- 7.1.3. Selection process
- 7.1.4. Late Applications
- 7.1.5. Second/third-round offers of a place
- 7.1.6. Acceptance of a place
- 7.1.7. Refusal
- 7.1.8. Withdrawal of an offer

#### **7.2 Appeals**

- 7.2.1. Appeal where refusal was due to oversubscription
- 7.2.2. Appeal where refusal was for a reason other than oversubscription
- 7.2.3. Basis for a review by the board of management

#### **7.1 Admission Provisions for the Special Class(es)**

Enfield Community College has two Special Class(es), established to cater for special educational needs of Students with Autism/Autistic Spectrum Disorders and one Moderate General Learning Disability Class.

Only applications in respect of Students whose needs fall within the category of special educational needs provided for by the Special Class will be considered. In this respect, the school requires that such needs of the Student be verified in a Relevant Report, the mandatory elements of which are set out in the Glossary of Terms section, which has been prepared within the 24 months immediately preceding the Student's application to the Special Class.

Where the Special Class in Enfield Community College is not oversubscribed, all Students whose needs fall within the category of special educational needs provided for by the Special Class, as confirmed by the NCSE, will be offered a place in the Special Class, subject to sections 4.7 and 4.8.

**7.1.1. Oversubscription**

When the number of applications exceeds the number of places available, the published selection criteria as set out at section 7.1.2 below will apply and a waiting list shall be compiled which shall remain valid only for the school year in respect of which the applications are made. Where Enfield Community College is in a position to offer further places that become available in the Special Class for and during that academic year, places will be offered in accordance with the order of priority in which Students have been placed on the waiting list subject to there being a place in the relevant mainstream year group. If there is not a place available in the relevant year group, the next person on the waiting list for the Special Class will be considered for the place in question but this will not change the initial Student's place on the waiting list for the Special Class for the remainder of that school year, i.e. if another place subsequently became available in the Special Class during that school year, the initial Student at the top of the waiting list would be considered first, but again subject to there being a place in the relevant year group for that Student.

For clarity, if a place becomes available in a given mainstream class group, before that place is offered to a Student on the waiting list for that mainstream year group, the waiting list for the Special Class shall be reviewed and if there is a place available in the Special Class

and there is a Student on the waiting list who would be able to take-up the place due to the available place in the given mainstream year group, that Student will be offered the place in the Special Class (thereby removing the place in the mainstream year group). This is in the interest of ensuring that the scarce resources of the Special Class are never under-utilised.

Where an application is made on behalf of a Student for both the Special Class and a mainstream year group, and his/her application for one but not both is successful, s/he will remain in the same position on the waiting list for the group to which s/he was not successful, regardless of whether the Applicant accepts the place in the group to which the Student was successful.

For the avoidance of doubt, if a Student does not receive a place in the Special Class for a given academic year, but s/he wishes to be considered for admission to Special Class in the following academic year, a new application must be made on behalf of that Student during the dates specified by the school as being the period when it will accept applications for the Special Class.

Where the school is oversubscribed, any selection criteria that are not included in this Admission Policy shall not be considered in determining whether or not a Student is admitted to the school.

**7.1.2. Selection criteria in order of priority:**

Applications to the Special Class will only be considered if the Student's needs fall within the specified category of special educational needs provided for by this class. Subject to this requirement, in the event of oversubscription, the following criteria for admission to the Special Class will apply:

7.1.2.1 Students currently enrolled in Enfield Community College

7.1.2.2 If the student attends any one of the following schools and does not reside within the defined catchment area

|                                  |                                    |                     |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| St Mary's Primary School Enfield | Enfield Co Meath ,Meath A83X316    | Roll number: 17821L |
| Newtown National School          | Enfield Co Meath. ,Kildare A83HW74 | Roll number: 18650P |

|                             |  |                     |
|-----------------------------|--|---------------------|
| Coole National School       | Garradice Kilcock Co Kildare. ,Meath W23AXK8 | Roll number: 18051Q |
| Moynalvey National School   | Moynalvey Summerhill Co Meath ,Meath A83KD81 | Roll number: 18344I |
| Tiermohan National School   | Donadea Naas Co Kildare ,Kildare W91HX78     | Roll number: 18666H |
| Scoil Nais Maol Hosae       | Kilcock Co Kildare ,Meath W23T8YC            | Roll number: 18887A |
| Scoil Choca Naofa           | Cill Choca Cill Dara ,Kildare W23KD79        | Roll number: 11976K |
| St Joseph's National School | Highfield Park, Kilcock, Kildare, W23RX07    | Roll number: 16706G |
| Scoil Ui Riada              | Cill Choca Co Chill Dara ,Kildare W23KNW8    | Roll number: 19897I |

7.1.2.3 If the student resides in the catchment area

7.1.2.4 Children who attend any one of the following schools:

|                               |  |                     |
|-------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| St Patricks National School   | Droichead Baile Sean Enfield Co Kildare ,Kildare A83KD59 | Roll number: 18130M |
| National School Scoil Treasa  | Kilshanroe Enfield Co Kildare ,Kildare A83PC95           | Roll number: 18445O |
| Scoil Naisiunta Naomh Padraig | Baile Bacuin Enfield Co Meath A83F863                    | Roll number:02905J  |

7.1.2.5 If the student has siblings currently enrolled in the school.

7.1.2.6 If a parent/guardian of the student is a member of staff of the school.

7.1.2.7 The greatest level of need, as determined by the Principal in consultation with the SEN team in the school, having considered the Relevant Report in respect of the Child.

### **7.1.3. Selection process:**

Enfield Community College will apply the selection process as follows:

Having met the criteria for admission to the Special Class, applications are considered against the published selection criteria. Places will be offered in the first instance to those who meet the first criterion. Subsequently, where the school still has places available the remaining Applicants are considered against the second criterion and those Applicants who meet this criterion will be offered a place within the Special Class. This process is continuously carried out against all selection criteria until all available places have been offered and accepted.

Where two or more applications are tied in the foregoing selection process, Enfield Community College will apply a random lottery to assign any available places in the Special Class, or on the waiting list, to those applications.

N.B. The number of places available in a year group is subject to reduction in the event that a placement(s) in the Special Class is/are given to Student(s) from that year group, i.e. the selection process for the Special Class will be completed before the selection process for the mainstream year group and the number of Students who are offered a place in the Special Class will be the number by which the places in the relevant mainstream year group(s) are reduced<sup>3</sup>.

<sup>3</sup> This approach is based on section 2 of the Education for Persons with Special Educational Needs (EPSEN) Act 2004, which requires that: "A child with special educational needs shall be educated in an inclusive environment with children who do not have such needs unless the nature or degree of those needs of the child is such that to do so would be inconsistent with the best interests of the child as determined in accordance with any assessment carried out... or the effective provision of education for children with whom the child is to be educated."

#### **7.1.4. Late applications:**

An application received by Enfield Community College after the closing date published by Enfield Community College, and set out in the Admission Notice, is considered a late application for the purposes of this Admission Policy.

Where Enfield Community College is oversubscribed and receives a late application for admission, that application will receive a place on the waiting list beneath Applicants whose applications were received by the school before the closing date for applications, irrespective of any selection criteria which may have been applied to applications received before the closing date for applications. Such late applications will be placed on the waiting list in accordance with the date and time they were received by the school, subject to sections 4.7, and 4.8. For the avoidance of doubt, selection criteria are not relevant to, and will not be applied to, late applications.

Where Enfield Community College is not oversubscribed, *i.e.* there is no waiting list, and it receives a late application, the Student seeking admission will receive an offer of a place

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within Enfield Community College, subject to sections 4.7, and 4.8, and the same process as applies to Applicants whose applications were received before the closing date will be applied i.e. an Acceptance Form will be issued to the Applicant for completion and return to the school within 2 weeks of issue.

**7.1.5. Second/third-round offers of a place**

Where a Student is in receipt of an offer of a place within Enfield Community College but does not accept the offer, or the school withdraws the offer in line with the relevant provisions of this Policy, the place will be offered to the next Student on the waiting list in a second-round of offers. This process will continue throughout third and fourth rounds etc. until all places within the Special Class have been filled.

**7.1.6. Acceptance of a place:**

If the Student in respect of whom the application is made is offered a place, the Applicant will be issued with an Acceptance Form by the school.

The Applicant shall indicate acceptance of an offer by fully completing and returning the Acceptance Form by the date set out in the School Admission Notice, or within 2 weeks of issuing by the school if it is a late application or if it is a second/third-round offer. This includes indicating whether or not s/he has applied for and is awaiting confirmation of an offer of admission from another school.

Failure to fully complete and return the Acceptance Form to the school by the date set out in the school's Admission Notice, or within 2 weeks of issuing by the school if it is a late application or if it is a second/third-round offer, may result in withdrawal of an offer, in line with the grounds for withdrawal of an offer, as set out below.

**7.1.7. Refusal:**

Where a Student in respect of whom an application is being sought has not been offered a school place, the Applicant will be provided in writing with:

7.1.7.1 The reasons that the Student was not offered a place in Enfield Community College;

- 7.1.7.2 Details of the Student's ranking against the published selection criteria, if the year group to which the applicant is applying is oversubscribed;
- 7.1.7.3 Details of the Student's place on the waiting list, if applicable; and
- 7.1.7.4 Details of the Applicant's right to appeal the decision

In addition to the conditions for consideration of an application as set out at 4.7 and 4.8, an offer of admission may not be made where:

- 7.1.7.5 The information contained in the application is false or misleading in a material respect.

#### **7.1.8. Withdrawal of an offer**

An offer of admission may be withdrawn where:

- 7.1.8.1 The information contained in the application is false or misleading in a material respect, or
- 7.1.8.2 The Applicant fails to confirm acceptance of an offer of admission on or before the date set out in the annual Admission Notice of the school for the academic year for which s/he is applying, or in the case of a late application, or second/third-round offer, within 2 weeks, or
- 7.1.8.3 An Applicant has not indicated:
  - (i) whether or not s/he has applied for and is awaiting confirmation of an offer from another school(s) and if so, the details of the school(s);and
  - (ii) whether or not s/he has accepted an offer of admission from another school(s) and if so, the details of the offer(s).

If an offer of a place is withdrawn by the school, the Student on whose behalf the application was made shall lose his/her place for that academic year (and shall not be placed on a waiting list). If the Applicant still desires a place for that academic year, a new application must be made for the same academic year on behalf of that Student and shall be treated as a late application in line with section 7.14 above.



## **7.2 Appeals**

### **7.2.1 Appeal where refusal was due to oversubscription:**

An Applicant who was refused admission because the school is oversubscribed and who wishes to appeal this decision must first request a review by the board of management in writing, via a 'BOMR1 Form', available from the school office and on the school's website, for it to be reviewed by the board of management of Enfield Community College. Such a review must be sought by the Applicant within twenty-one calendar days of the school's decision to refuse to admit. However, if a different time period for the bringing of such an appeal is specified by the Minister for Education after the publication of this Policy, same shall apply instead. Completed BOMR1 Forms should be submitted to the school office or online by emailing [enfieldcommunitycollege@lmetb.ie](mailto:enfieldcommunitycollege@lmetb.ie).

If an Applicant is not satisfied with the decision of the board of management, or the board of management is not in a position to review the decision to refuse admission, the Applicant may apply to bring an appeal to an Appeals Committee established by the Minister for Education under section 29A of the Education Act 1998. Appeals must be made in writing on a 'Section 29 Appeal Form' and must be submitted to the Section 29 Appeals Administration Unit in the Department of Education. The 'Section 29 Appeal Form' may be downloaded from the Department's website or may be obtained directly from the Section 29 Appeals Administration Unit in the Department of Education. Contact details for the Unit are available on the Department's website. As per the Department of Education's 'Procedures for hearing and determining appeals under section 29', such an appeal must not be brought until the Applicant has received correspondence from the board of management in relation to the review, or until 42 calendar days have passed since the date of initial refusal and may not be brought later than 63 calendar days after the initial decision to refuse admission.

### **7.2.2 Appeal where refusal was for a reason other than oversubscription:**

An Applicant who was refused admission to Enfield Community College for a reason other than the school being oversubscribed and who wishes to appeal this decision may first choose to request a review by the board of management, via a 'BOMR1 Form', available from the school office and on the school's website, for it to be reviewed by the board of management of Enfield Community College. Such a review must be sought by the

Applicant within twenty-one calendar days of the school's decision to refuse to admit. However, if a different time period for the bringing of such an appeal is specified by the Minister for Education after the publication of this Policy, same shall apply instead. Completed BOMR1 Forms should be submitted to the school office or online by emailing [enfieldcommunitycollege@lmetb.ie](mailto:enfieldcommunitycollege@lmetb.ie). (An applicant may withdraw a request for review at any time prior to the conclusion of the review by notifying the board of management in writing to that effect.)

Alternatively, s/he may choose to apply to bring an appeal to an Appeals Committee established by the Minister for Education under section 29A of the Education Act 1998. Appeals must be made in writing on a 'Section 29 Appeal Form' and must be submitted to the Section 29 Appeals Administration Unit in the Department of Education. The 'Section 29 Appeal Form' may be downloaded from the Department's website or may be obtained directly from the Section 29 Appeals Administration Unit in the Department of Education. Contact details for the Unit are available on the Department's website. As per the Department of Education's 'Procedures for hearing and determining appeals under section 29', such an appeal may not be brought later than 63 calendar days after the initial decision to refuse admission.

If an Applicant who seeks a review by the board of management is not satisfied with the decision of the board of management, that Applicant may also apply to bring an appeal to an Appeals Committee established by the Minister for Education under section 29A of the Education Act 1998, as outlined in the immediately preceding paragraph.



### **7.2.3. Basis for a review by the board of management:**

As required by section 29C(2) of the Education Act 1998, any request for the board of management to review a decision of the school to refuse admission must be based on the implementation of this Admission Policy, the content of the school's Admission Notice and also set out the grounds of the request to review the decision.



**BOM & LMETB Ratification/Resolution Process of This Policy**

**BOM Ratification**

|   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| <b>Date Ratified by the Board of Management</b>   | <b>10/04/2025</b>      |
| <b>Proposed By:</b>   | Padraig Coffey         |
| <b>Seconded By:</b>   | Jason Sheerli          |
| <b>Signed:</b><br>   | (Chairperson, BOM)     |
| <b>Signed:</b><br> | (Secretary to the BOM) |
| <b>Scheduled Date for Review of the policy:</b>   | <b>September 2025</b>  |

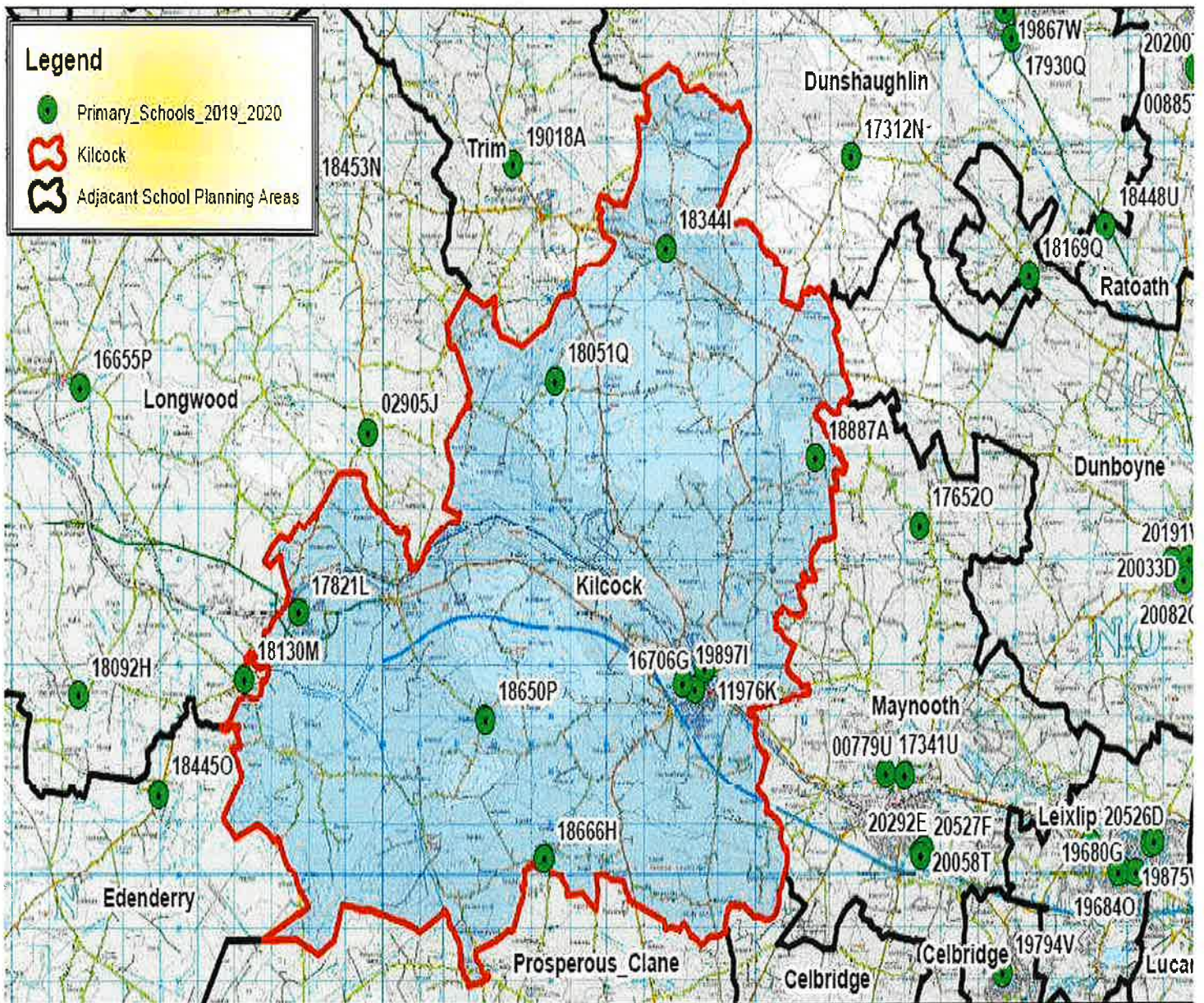
**LMETB Ratification/Resolution of the ETB Board**

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| <b>Date of Resolution of ETB Board</b> |                      |
| <b>Signed</b>                          | <b>(Chairperson)</b> |

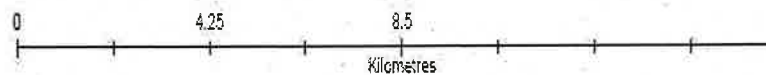
**Appendix A**

Enfield – Kilcock School Planning Area as outlined in the Department of Education Map (available to download on the Enfield Community College Webpage, <http://www.enfieldcc.ie> )

## Appendix B



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## **Maximum number of Classes and Maximum Year Group sizes for 2025 – 2026**

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|------------------|--|
| First Year:      | 5 Class Groups: 140 Students for 2025/2026 academic year |
| Second Year:     | 4 Class Groups: 120 Students for 2025/2026 academic year |
| Third Year:      | 5 Class Groups: 144 Students for 2025/2026 academic year |
| Transition Year: | 4 Class Groups: 96 Students for 2025/2026 academic year  |
| Fifth Year       | 4 Class Groups: 120 Students for 2025/2026 academic year |
| Sixth Year       | 2 Class Groups: 60 Students for 2025/2026 academic year  |
| LCA 2            | 1 Class Group 16 Students for 2025/2026 academic year    |



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