Coláiste Mhuire Eas Géitine

Sustainability Policy Statement

June 2026

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1. Policy Statement

Coláiste Mhuire is committed to promoting sustainability and environmental responsibility throughout our school community.

We recognise our responsibility to protect the environment, reduce our environmental impact and equip students with the knowledge, skills and values necessary to contribute to a sustainable future.

This statement reflects the principles of the School Sector Climate Action Mandate, the National Strategy on Education for Sustainable Development (ESD to 2030) and the LCETB Climate Action Roadmap.

2. Our Commitments

Energy and Water Conservation

- Promote responsible use of electricity, heating and water throughout the school.
- Encourage staff and students to switch off lights, equipment and devices when not required.
- Support energy efficiency improvements to school buildings and facilities in collaboration with LCETB.

Waste Reduction and Recycling

- Reduce unnecessary waste and encourage the reuse and recycling of materials.
- Minimise paper consumption through digital communication and resources where appropriate.
- Promote responsible purchasing and use of school supplies.

Environmental Awareness and Education

- Integrate sustainability and environmental awareness into teaching and learning where relevant.
- Encourage student participation in environmental initiatives, projects and awareness campaigns.
- Promote understanding of climate change, biodiversity and sustainable development.

School Environment and Biodiversity

- Maintain a clean, safe and environmentally responsible school environment.
- Encourage initiatives that support biodiversity and enhance the school grounds.
- Promote respect for the natural environment within the school and wider community.

Sustainable Transport

- Encourage walking, cycling, public transport and car-sharing where practical and safe.
- Promote awareness of the environmental impact of travel.

3. Whole-School Responsibility

Sustainability is a shared responsibility involving school management, staff, students, parents/guardians and the wider school community.

The school will encourage participation in sustainability initiatives and seek opportunities to work with LCETB and relevant local and national organisations.

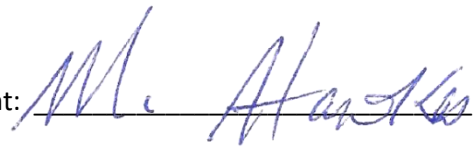
Students will be encouraged to contribute ideas and participate actively in improving the sustainability of their school.

4. Implementation and Review

School management will oversee the implementation of this statement, with the cooperation of staff and students.

Sustainability considerations will be incorporated into school planning, daily operations and future development projects where practical and subject to available resources.

This statement will be reviewed periodically to reflect developments in national policy, LCETB guidance and the needs of the school community.

Adopted by the Board of Management: 

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