

## **WELB Strategic Area Plan – Primary Schools: Consultation**

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The WELB Strategic Area Plan for Primary Schools is available by clicking the link below:

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In December 2011, the Minister for Education, John O'Dowd MLA, published Area Planning Terms of Reference which commissioned the Education and Library Boards, working closely with the Council for Catholic Maintained Schools and other sectors, to prepare Strategic Area Plans for Primary Education in their areas.

The Minister considers that high quality education can only be delivered efficiently and effectively through a network of strong and vibrant schools that are sustainable in the longer term. The area planning process aims to identify changes needed to reshape existing provision to ensure we have the network of schools needed to deliver quality education into the future.

In March 2013 the Education and Library Boards formally launched a public consultation exercise in relation to the Draft WELB Strategic Area Plan for Primary Schools.

The aim of the consultation exercise was to obtain the views of those with an interest in education about the range of options proposed within the WELB Plan. Respondents to the survey also had the option to put forward further suggestions and/or additional recommendations for consideration.

The WELB would like to thank all those who participated in the consultation process on the Draft WELB Strategic Area Plan for Primary Schools. The responses received informed the final Plan.

The ELB Consultation Analysis: Summary Report of the Public Consultation Exercise is available by clicking the link below:

### **[Summary Report of the Public Consultation Exercise](#)**