

## Scoil Mhuire, Trim



## **School Anti-Smoking and Anti-Vaping Policy**

The primary aim of the anti-smoking section of this policy is to comply with Section 47 of the Public Health (Tobacco) Acts 2002 and 2004.

This policy prohibits vaping and smoking. This includes but is not limited to the use of cigarettes, electronic nicotine delivery systems – known as vapes, e-cigarettes, e-cigars, e-hookahs and e-pipes.

The aim of this policy is to promote healthy living and to educate the school community about the hazards of smoking and vaping.

## Rationale:

A whole school approach will be encouraged to raise awareness of environmental and health issues. These are discussed as part of the SPHE curriculum, science curriculum, Geography, CSPE, P.E., Wellbeing Committee etc.

## Scoil Mhuire is a non-smoking/vaping campus

- Smoking is prohibited in the school building and school grounds in accordance with Section 47 of the Public Health (Tobacco) Acts 2002 and 2004.
- Vaping is strictly prohibited in the school building and school grounds.
- The use of electronic nicotine delivery systems known as e-cigarettes, e-cigars, e-hookahs and epipes – is prohibited.
- Students are not allowed to possess or use tobacco and/or vapes on the school premises, on any school trip/activity, or while in uniform.
- Every effort will be made to ensure that students comply with the anti-smoking and anti-vaping policy.
- Breach of school policy as outlined above will be subject to the sanctions prescribed by management authorities.

Approved by the Board of Management on: December 7<sup>th</sup> 2023