



SWIFT SURVEY REPORT 2024

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Site No.	Address	Natural Nests Occupied	No. of Nest Boxes E=external B= Built-in	No. of Nest Boxes Occupied	Building Type	Protected Structure
1	Chapel Street	9	0	0	St James's Church	NIAH/RPS
2	Lowpark	0	6 – B 6 – E	1 4	St Attracta's NS	No
3	Lowpark	0	3 – E	0	GAA Club	No
TOTALS		9	9-E, 6-B	5		

Charlestown Summary Table

Total Occupied Nests (Natural and Nest Boxes)	14
No. External Nest Boxes available	9
No. Built-in Nest Boxes available	6
No. of External Nest Boxes occupied	4
No. of Built-in Nest Boxes occupied	1
No. of natural nests occupied	9



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Site No. 1: St James's Catholic Church, Chapel Street, Lowpark

Use of Building	St James's Catholic Church
Eircode	F12 FN82
Spatial Reference	53.96295340,-8.79817128
Protected Structure	NIAH 31306301, RPS 0163. Built 1855-95
Natural Nest Sites	9
Aspect of Nests	NW
Total Occupied Nests	9



1a. Left hand view of NW facing wall with 6 natural nest sites

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1b. Right hand view of NW facing wall with 3 natural nest sites



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Site No. 2: St Attracta's NS, Chapel Street, Lowpark

Use of Building	St Attracta's National School
Eircode	F12 T440
Spatial Reference	53.96133753,-8.79919052
Protected Structure	No
Natural Nest Sites	0
No. of Nest Boxes	6 external (1 x Schwegler 17A triple compartment nest boxes and 1 x Genesis triple compartment) 6 built-in (2 x Schwegler 17A triple compartment nest boxes)
No. of Occupied Nest Boxes	5 (4 external and 1 built-in)
Aspect of Nests	NE, SE
Total Occupied Nests	5

Three of the external nest boxes are fitted with cameras which can be viewed on TV in school corridor near entrance hall.

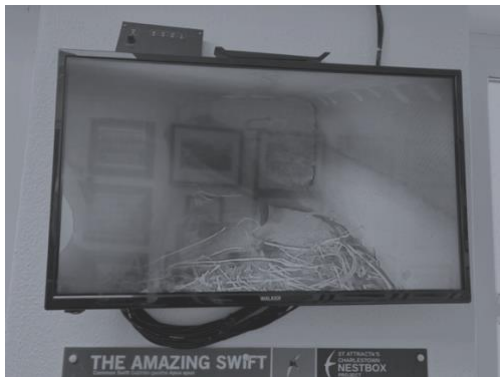


2a. NE facing external nest boxes. Two of the nest boxes occupied on the right are fitted with cameras. There is an information board mounted on the wall underneath the nest boxes



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2b and c.. TV is mounted on the wall inside the school corridor where children passing by can see the Swifts nesting in three of the nest boxes. There is a small information panel beneath the tv.



2d. SE facing built-in nest boxes. In 2020 school built an extension and built in 2 x Schwegler 17A nest boxes. The calls were switched on in 2022. During the 2024 survey we noted that one nest compartment is occupied – marked by yellow arrow.



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Site No. 3: Charlestown Sarsfields GAA, Lowpark

Use of Building	GAA Club
Eircode	F12 R832
Spatial Reference	53.95800461,-8.80431890
Protected Structure	No
Natural Nest Sites	0
No. of Nest Boxes	3 external (1 x Schwegler 17A triple compartment nest boxes)
No. of Occupied Nest Boxes	0
Aspect of Nests	NE
Total Occupied Nests	0

This project was set up in 2023. There was no activity recorded in 2023 or 2024.



3a. aerial view of location of nest box project



3b. NE facing Schwegler 17A nest box with attraction call