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# Future-proofing:

An evidence-based approach to urban planning

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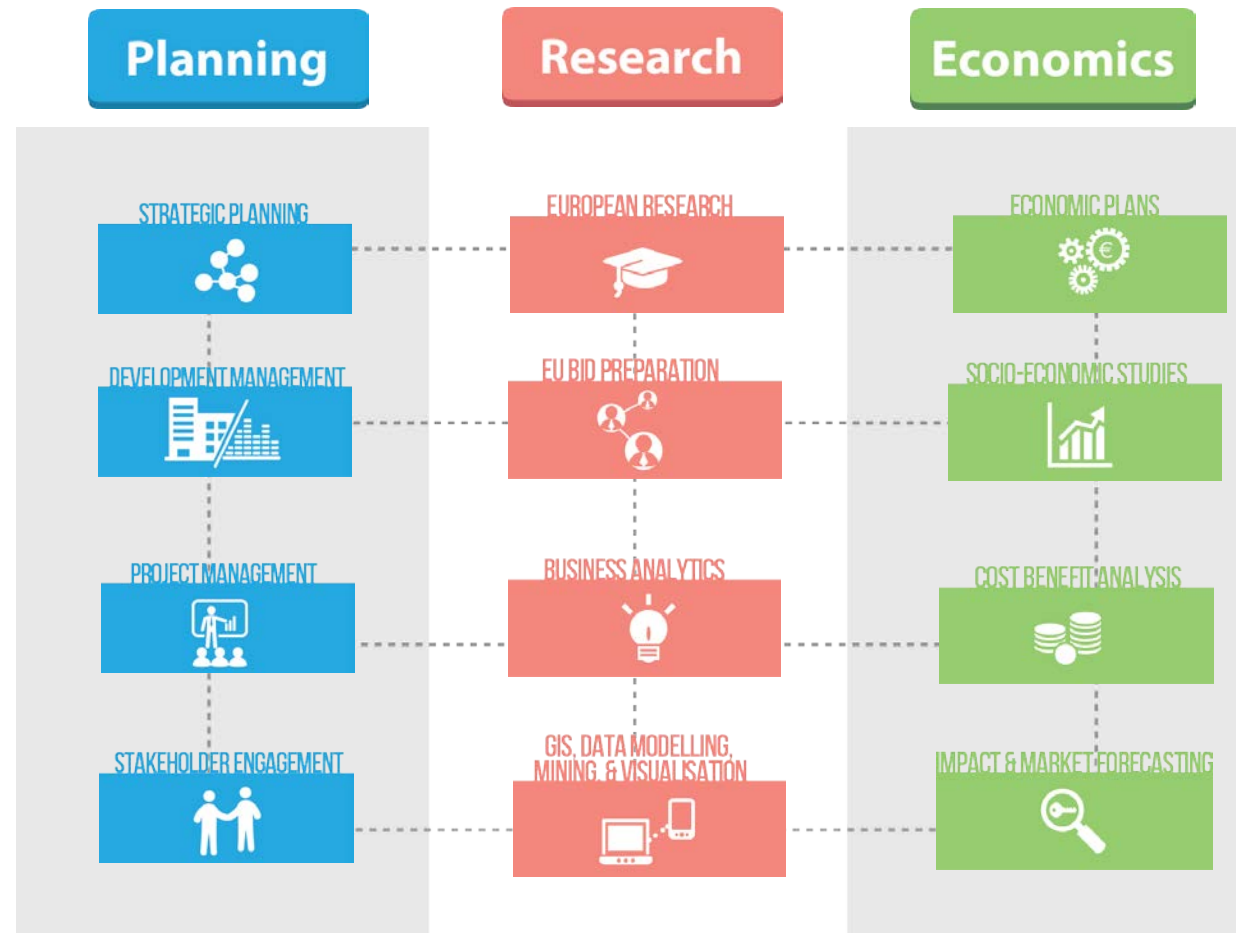
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# Short Introduction to Future Analytics Consulting

Multi-disciplinary  
expertise and  
positive solutions  
based on a real life  
understanding of  
market conditions



# Presentation Outline

How using ... **modelling** ... and ... **analysis** centred on ... **integrated data collection** and ... **collation**

... can enable key decision makers and stakeholders develop policies and plans that can lead to enhanced, citizen-centric sustainable urban planning and development.



**Demonstrated through a project focusing on Ireland's housing crisis.**

# Context



Planners require practical solutions



Informed decisions based on actionable intelligence



Increasing demand for evidence-based decisions (and rightly so)



Liveable communities, improving overall quality of life, protecting the environment and promoting economic development



Data collation, modelling, analysis, and visualisation can make a significant difference.

# Presentation Overview



Approach – *Housing Supply Requirements*



Modelling Overview



Key Findings



Further Applications – *Housing Supply Capacity*



Mechanism For Delivery

# Approach




## Housing Supply Requirements In Ireland's Urban Settlements 2014 - 2018



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# Approach

-  To determine **the level of projected housing supply required in urban settlements** over the next 5 years and in doing so, to identify the **areas where housing pressures may arise**.
-  **272 urban settlements** identified for modelling, accounting for **two-thirds of the population**.
-  A focus on supply informs a **minimum projected requirement** which does not address any issue of 'pent up' housing demand.



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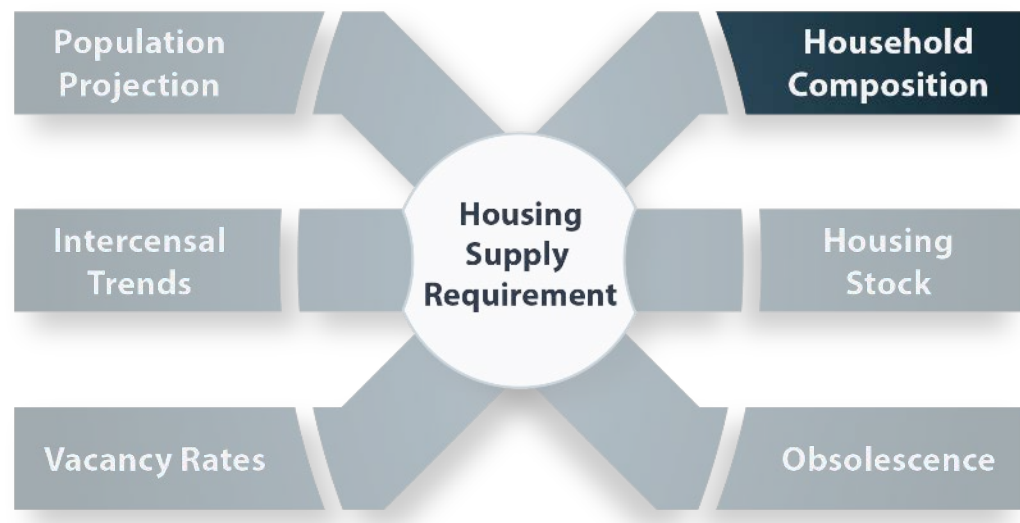
## Demographic Component Model

- Regional Outlook: **M2F2 Traditional**
- Assumptions:
  - **Fertility** (TFR falling from 2.1 to 1.8 by 2026)
  - **Mortality**
    - Decreases of M 3.7%p.a. and F 2.5% p.a.
    - Current LE: Males 78.3 yrs, Female 82.8 yrs.
  - **Migration**
    - M2 International Migration Assumption
      - -21,600 (2011-2016)
      - +4,700 (2016-2021)
      - +10,000 (2021-2031)
    - **Traditional** Internal Migration (assumed reversal to 1996 stable pattern of inter-regional flows)





# Modelling Overview



## Household Composition

% of Population living in a 'x' person household

Nationally (Census 2011):

- **8.78%** in 1 person households
- **21.66%** in 2 person households
- **19.89%** in 3 person households
- **23.67%** in 4 person households
- **26.01%** in 5 + person households

The composition for each urban settlement is utilised.





# Modelling Overview



**Intercensal trends in household composition** between 2002-2006 and 2006-2011.

**Assumption:** if these trends were to continue throughout the projected period.

Nationally, the identified trend showing increases towards smaller households (no. of people in occupancy).

This composition growth/ decline for each household type within each urban settlement is utilised.





# Modelling Overview

Household Composition

&

Intercensal Trends



## Process

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- Consider the unique characteristics of the urban settlement in **census years 2002, 2006 and 2011.**







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### Process

- 272 identified urban settlements.
- Consider the unique characteristics of the urban settlement in census years 2002, 2006 and 2011.
- Identify the proportion of the urban settlement's population who lived and currently live in each of the 'x' person per household bands.
- Note the percentage change between census periods for each household band. Each will increase and decrease at the expense of one another, as influenced by the factors affecting the urban settlement (population change, desire to live in smaller household sizes etc.)
- Determine the urban settlement's unique intercensal annual average rate of adjustment. Forming the assumption (should such trends continue) by which composition is projected.





# Modelling Overview



Housing stock (Census 2011) used as a base figure.

**Assumption:** No assumed rate for housing construction was applied.

Therefore, over the projected term, **each preceding year's supply requirement was assumed to have been met for the subsequent year** (and therefore part of the subsequent year's housing stock).





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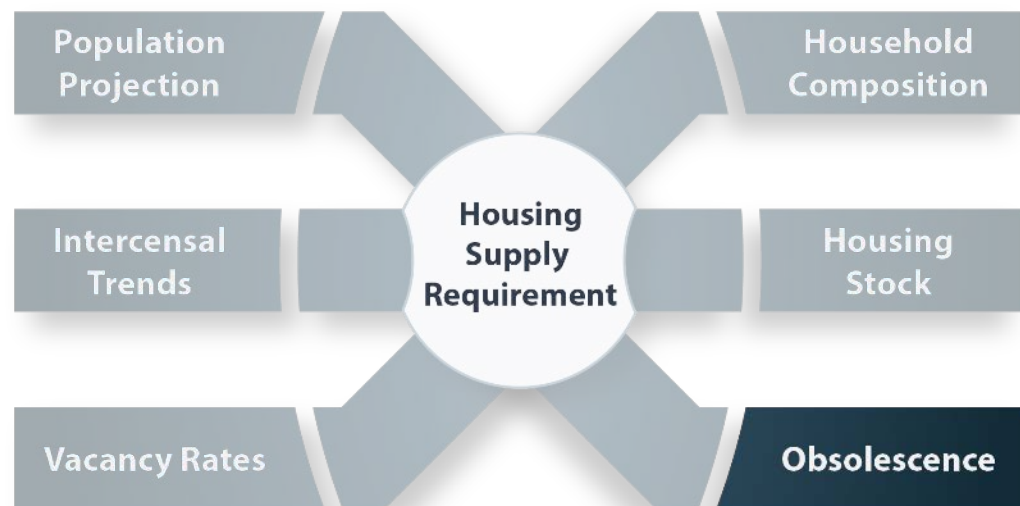
**Specific vacancy rates** set for **cities** and **urban settlements** across each region.

## Housing Agency Research:

- Dublin City, Cork City, Galway City, Limerick City (7%); Waterford City (10%);
- Dublin Region & Mid-East Region (7%);
- Border Region & West Region (14%);
- Other Urban Centres (10%).



# Modelling Overview



## Obsolescence of Housing Stock

**Assumption:** An **obsolescence rate** of **0.5%** per annum was applied. Reflects commonly held market assumptions.








# Key Findings

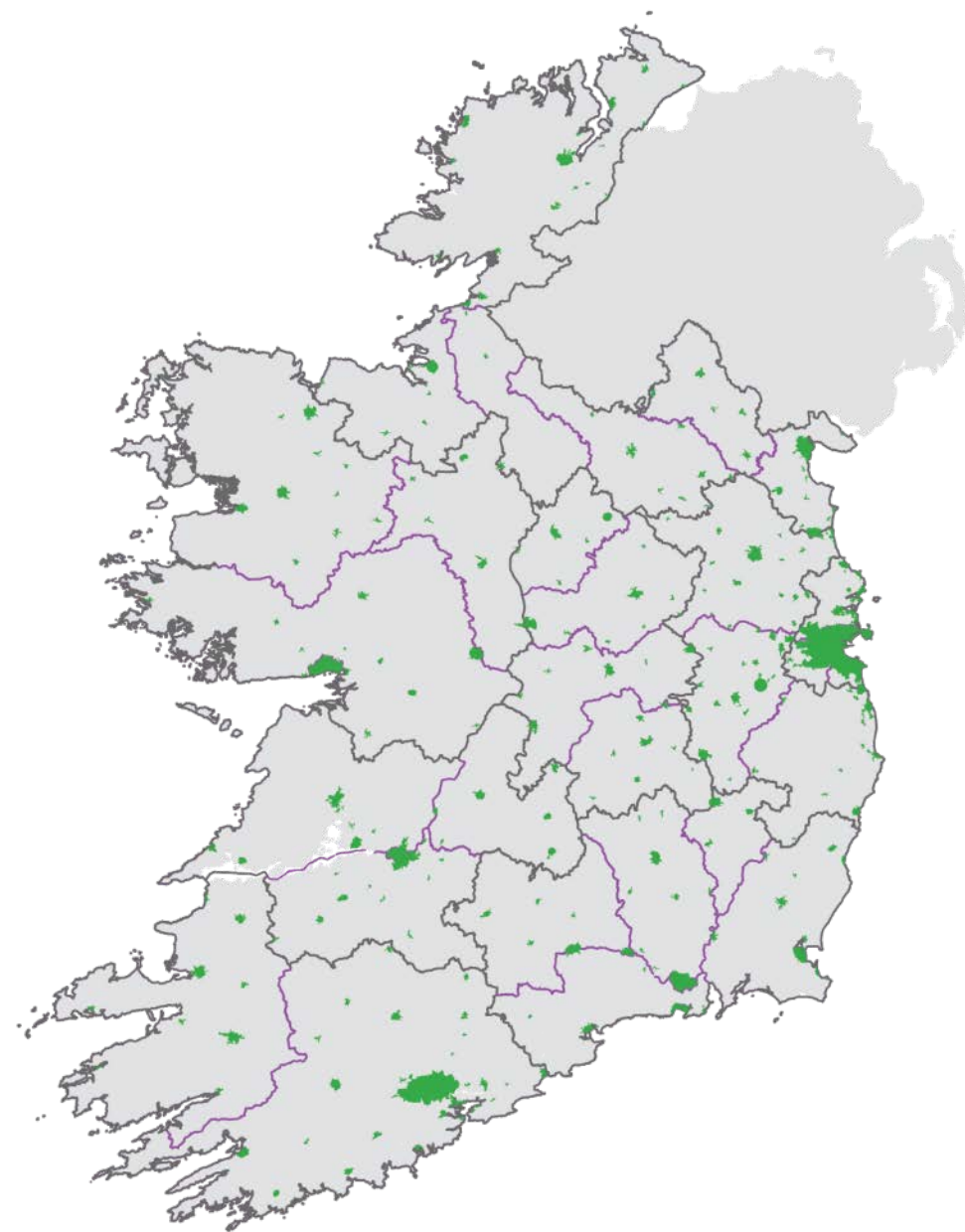
## 272 Urban Settlements **Nationally:**

- Approx. min of **80k units required** (over period 2014-2018)
- Average annual equivalent of approx. **16k units required**
- Peaking at a supply requirement of **21k units** in 2018

## Urban Settlements In Ireland

### Map Key

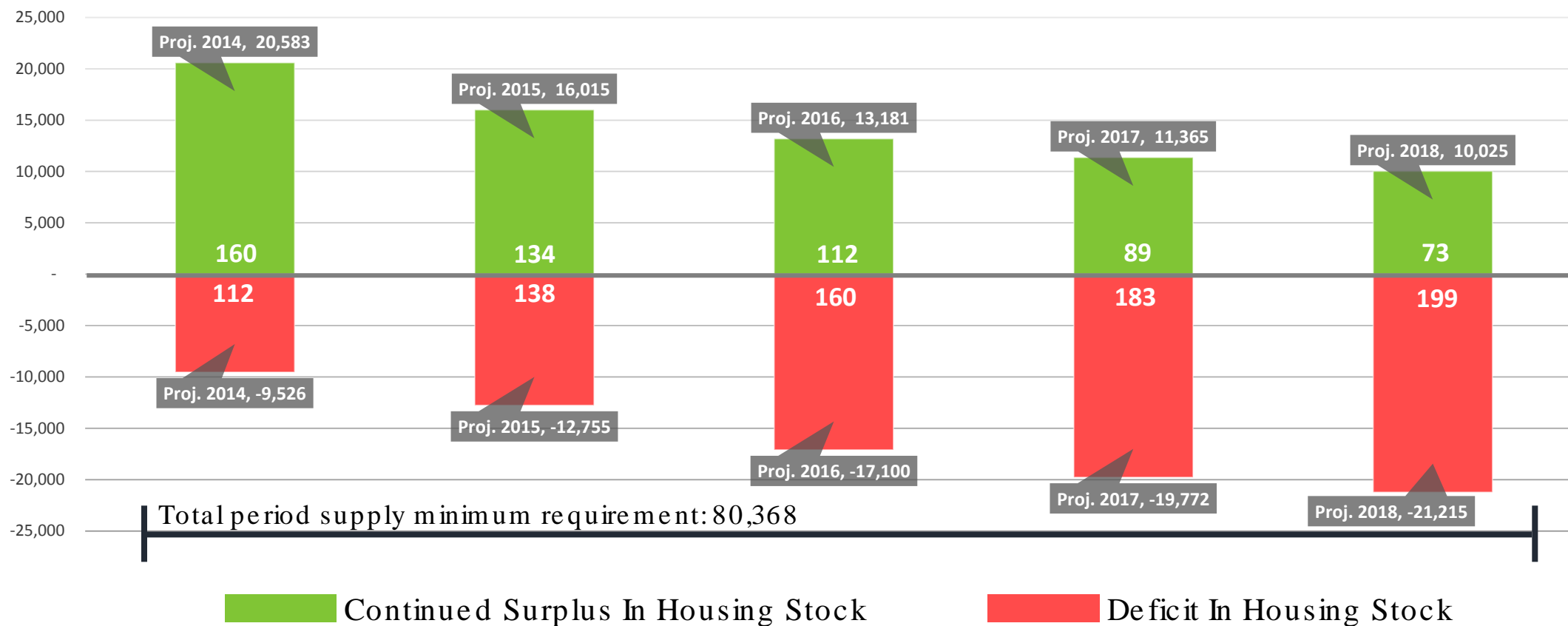
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# Key Findings

National (272) - Minimum Housing Supply Requirements per annum, 2014 - 2018








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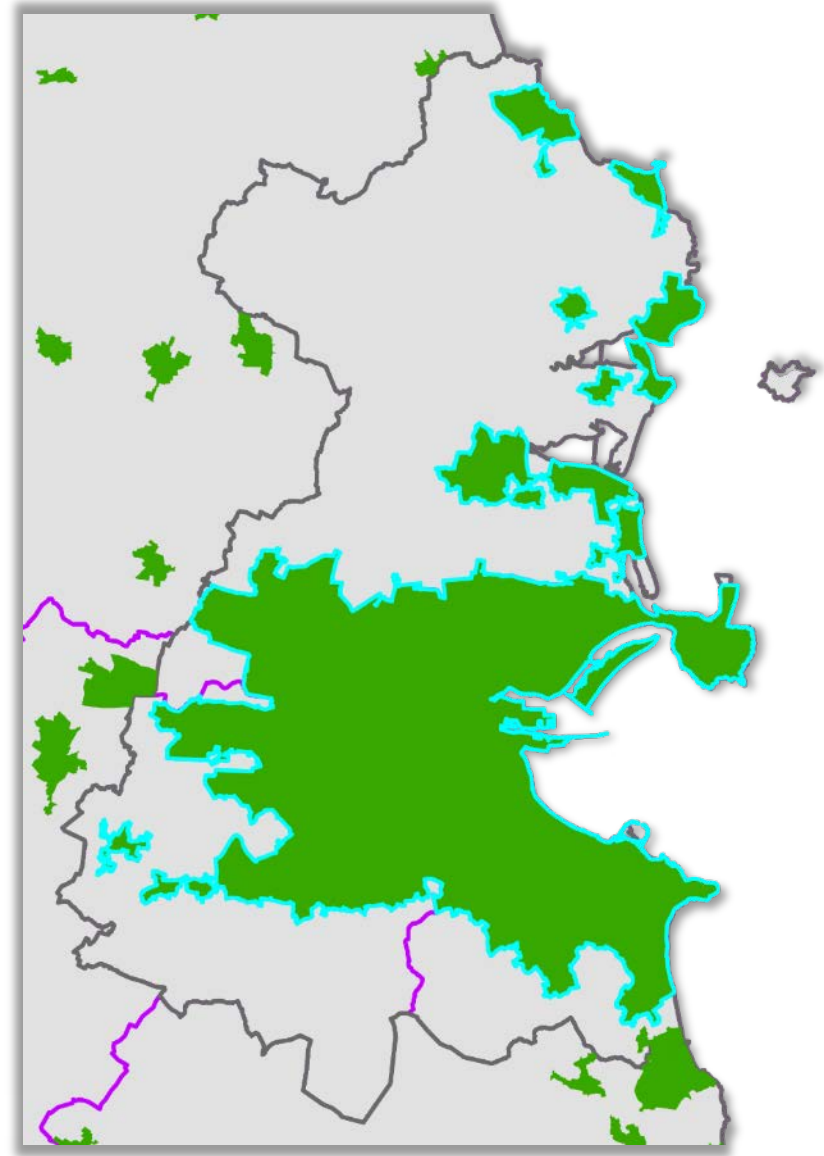
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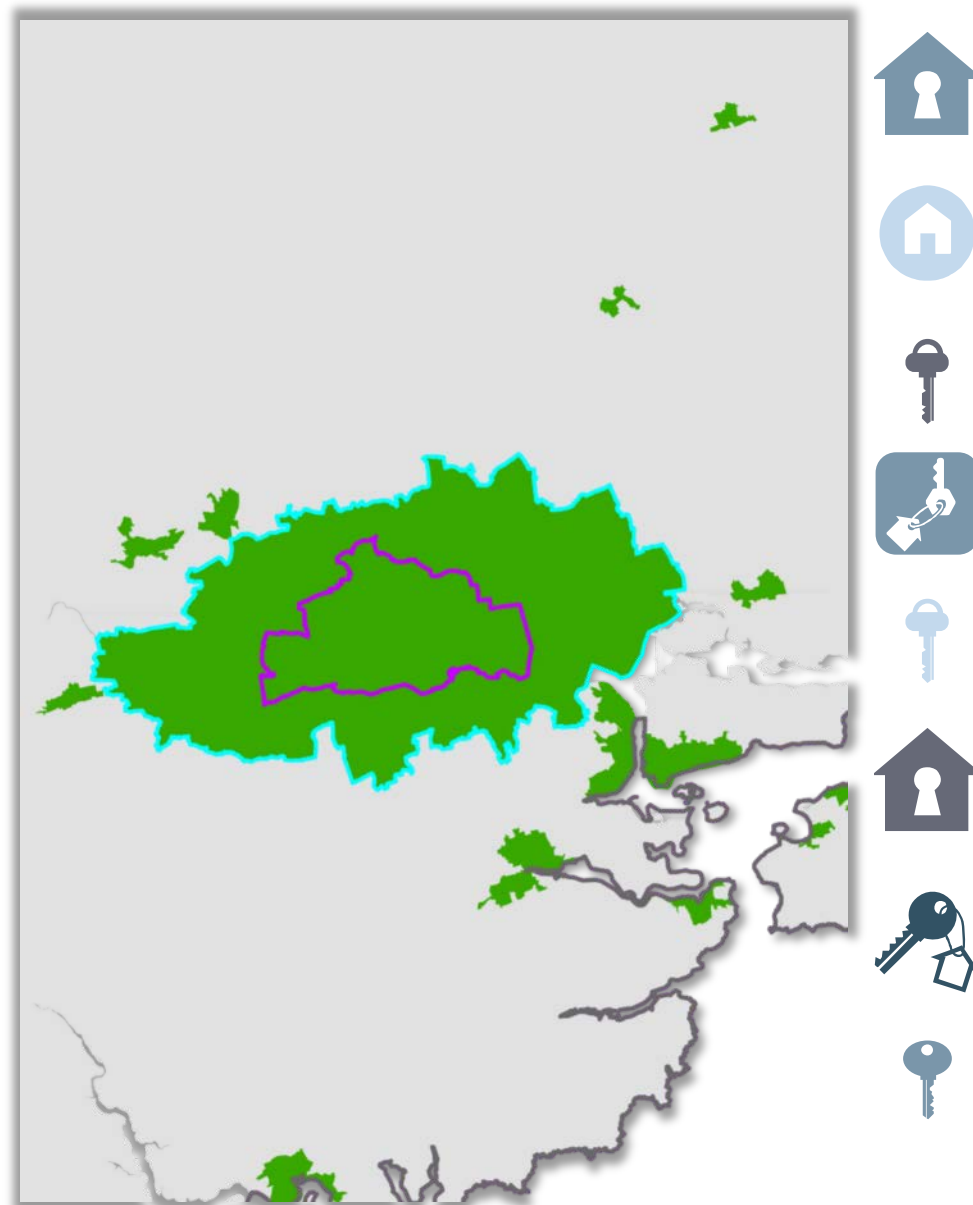
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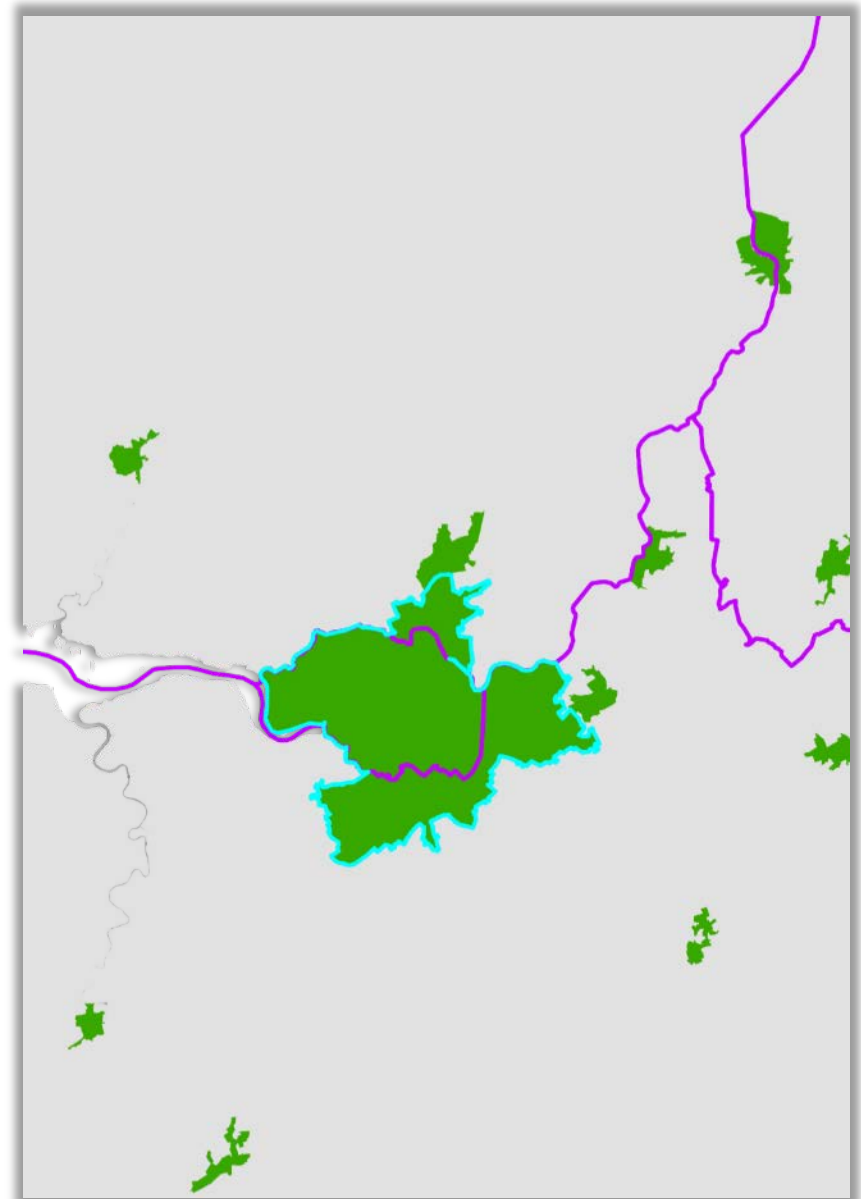
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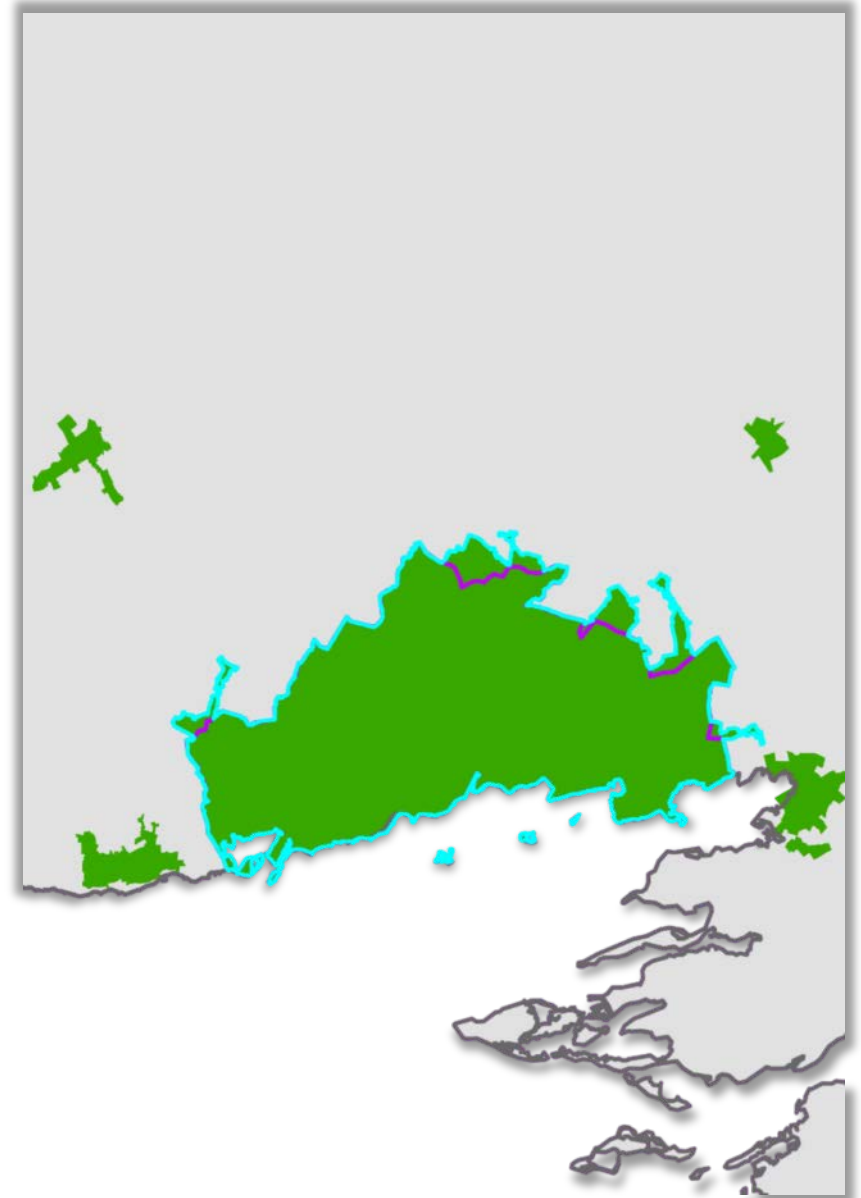
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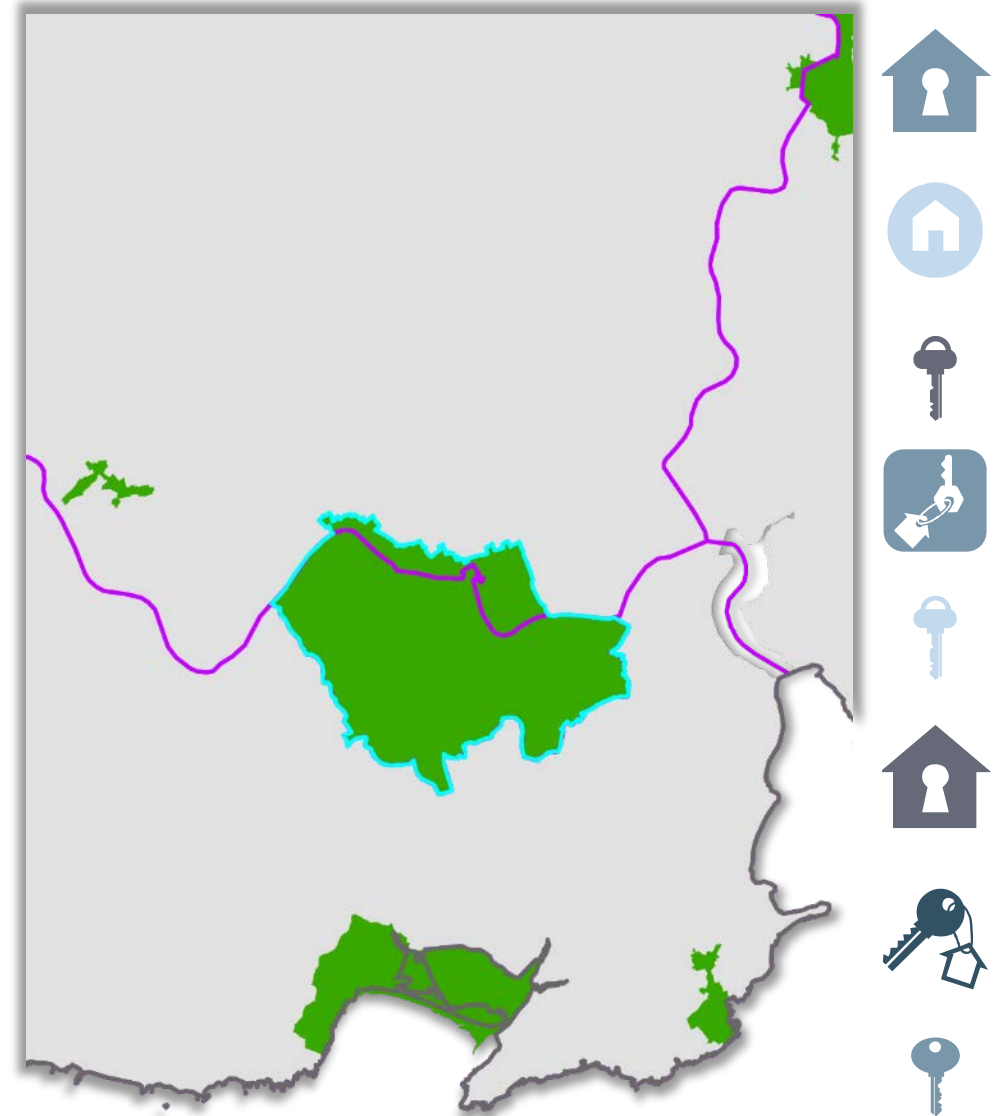
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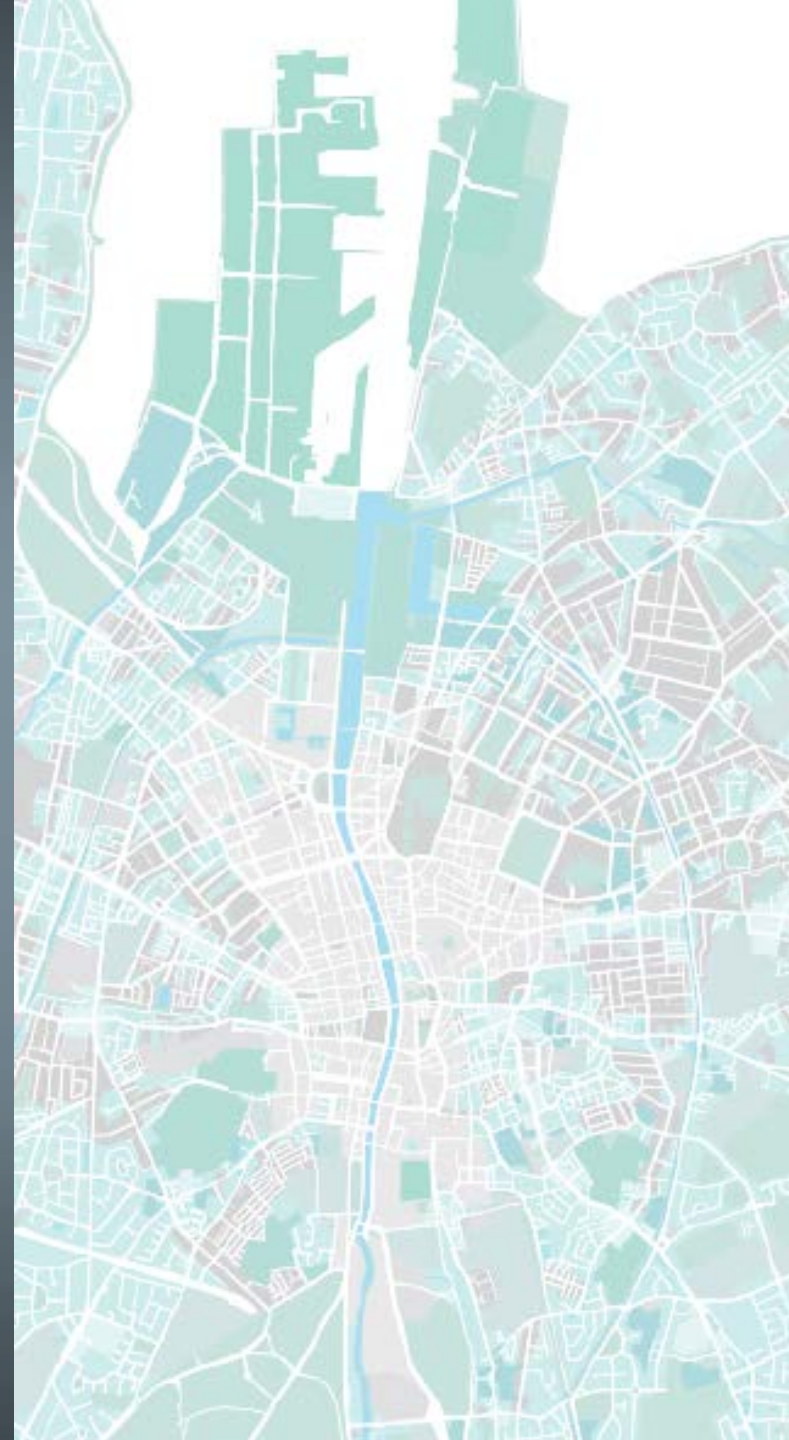


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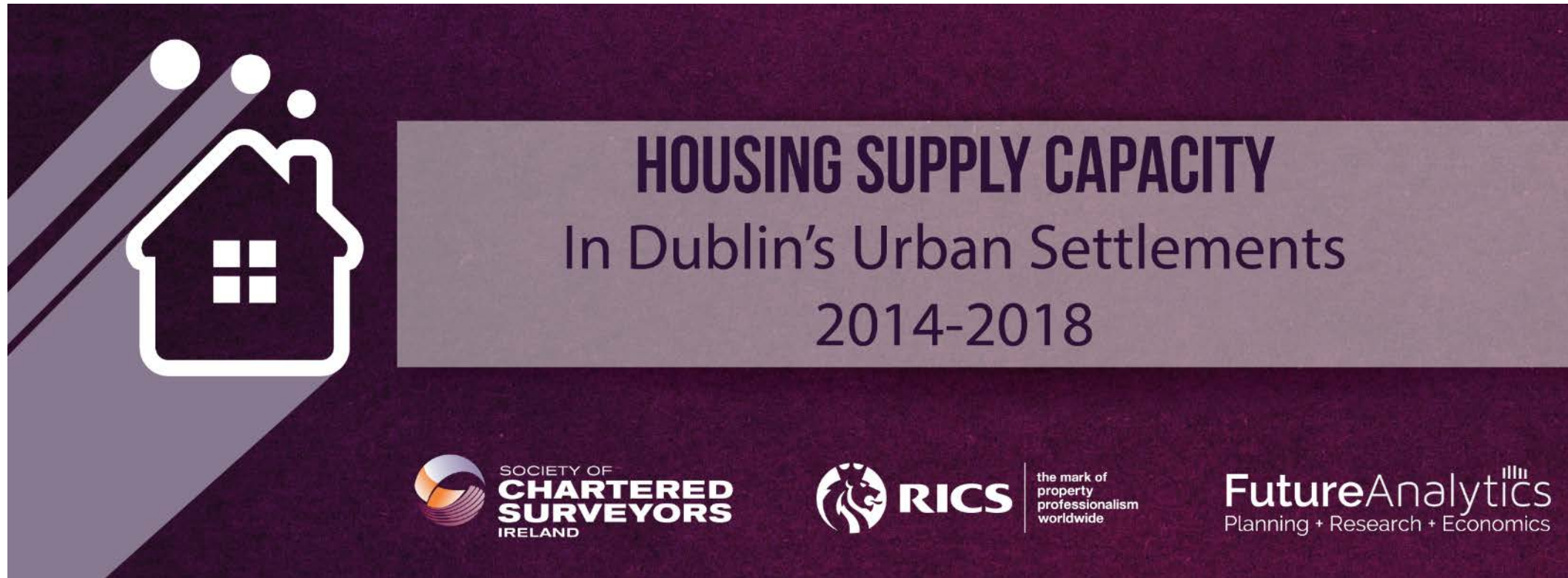
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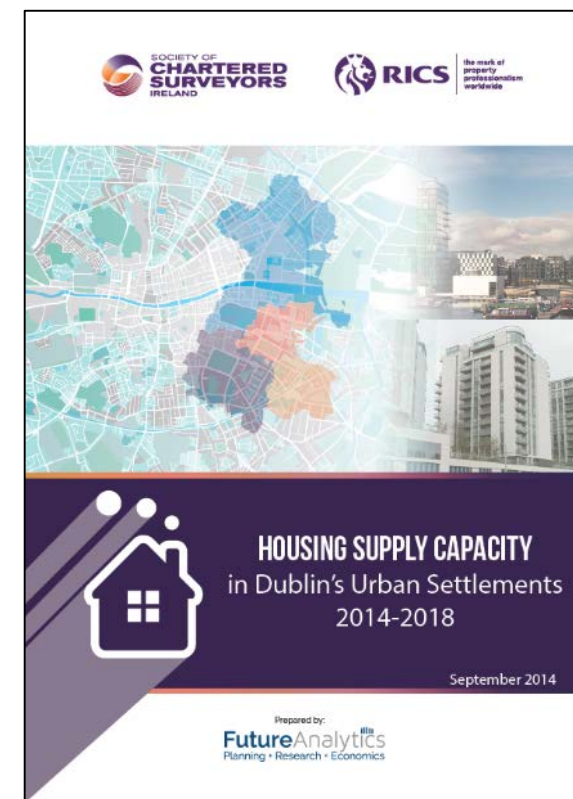


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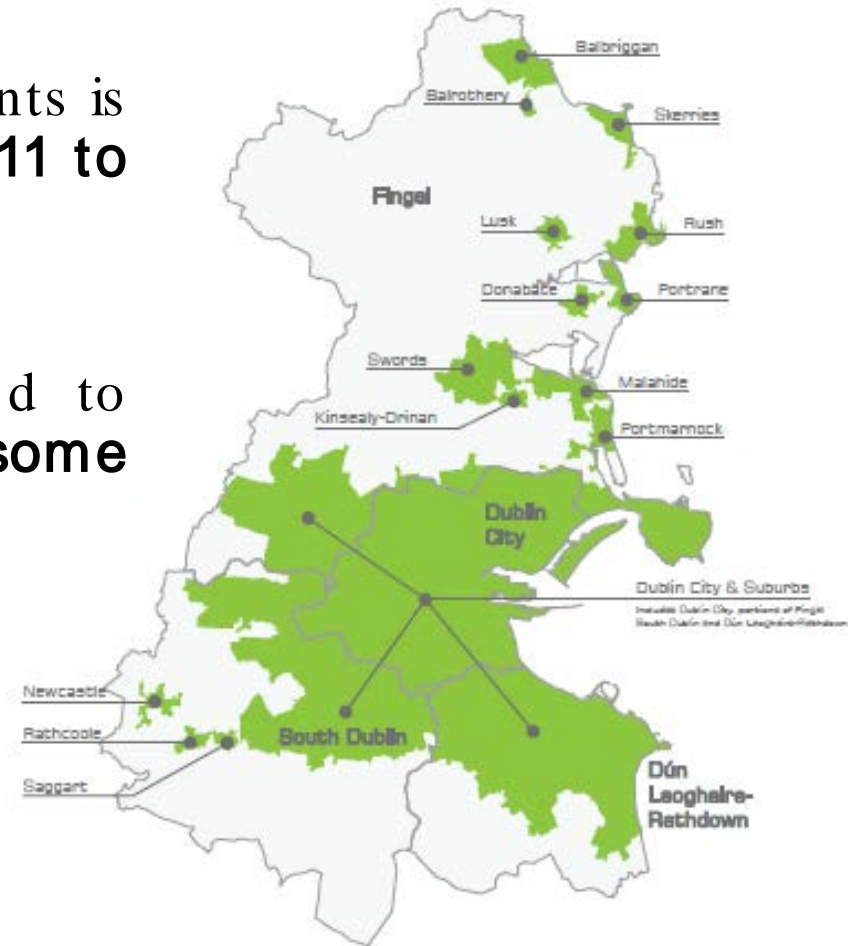


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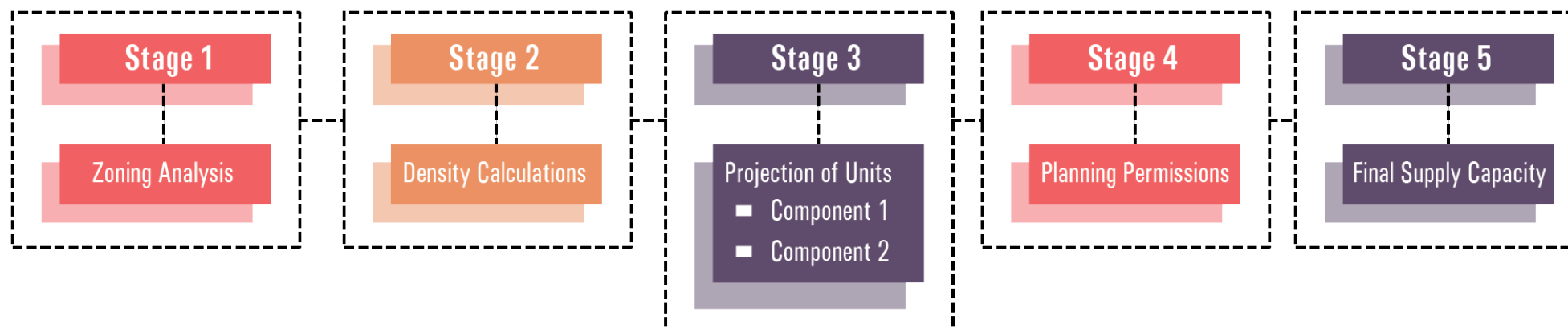
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The following sets out an overview of the different elements of the analysis undertaken to inform the findings:





# Further Applications

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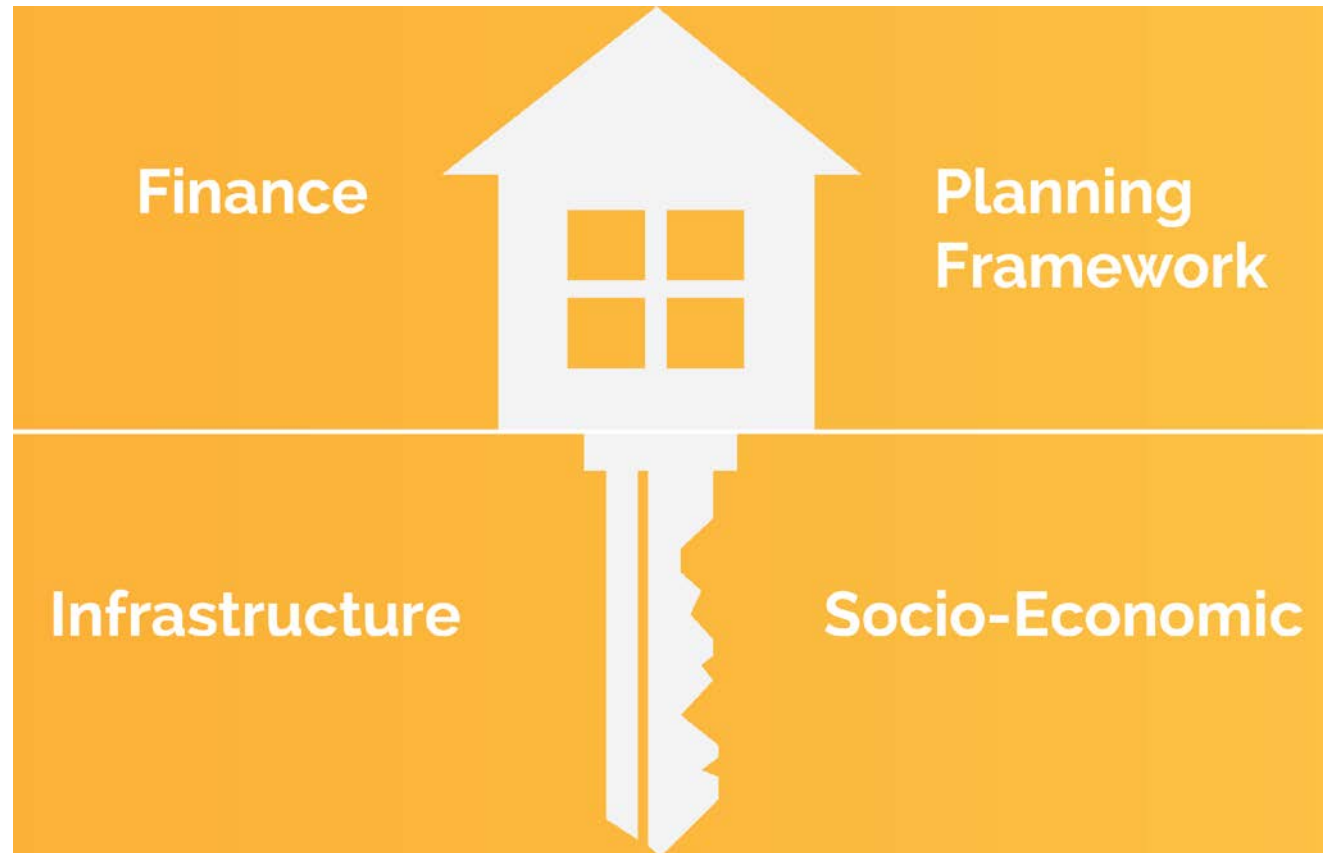
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HAS CAPACITY TO  
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OF 102,500  
ADDITIONAL  
HOUSING UNITS

A FURTHER 269,000  
PERSONS COULD BE  
ACCOMMODATED IN  
THE DUBLIN REGION  
UNDER MINIMUM  
RECOMMENDED  
DENSITIES

A SHORTFALL OF  
OVER 8.8k HOUSING  
UNITS EXISTS  
BETWEEN UNITS  
GRANTED AND THE  
REGION'S MINIMUM  
REQUIREMENT  
(2014-2018)



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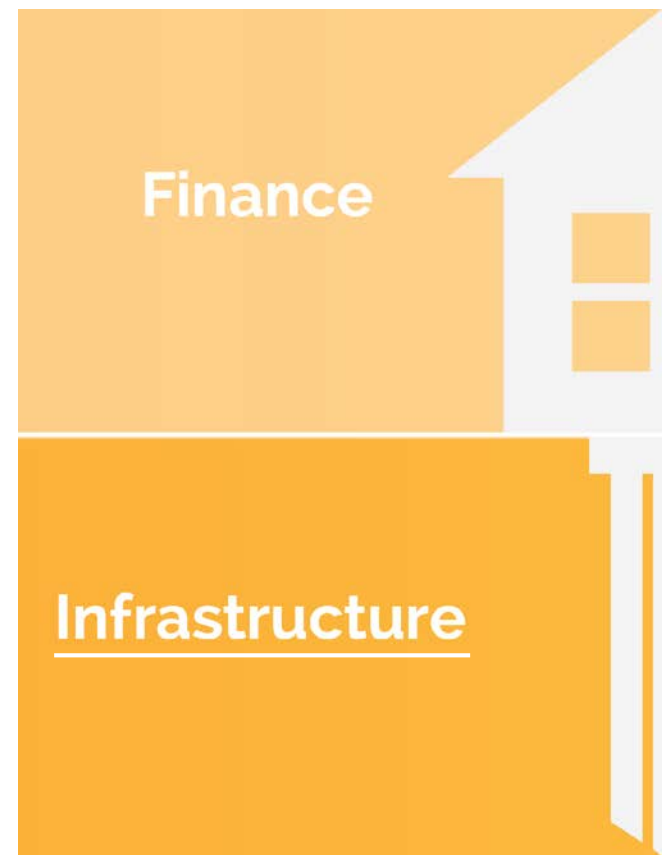
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- Functional Areas
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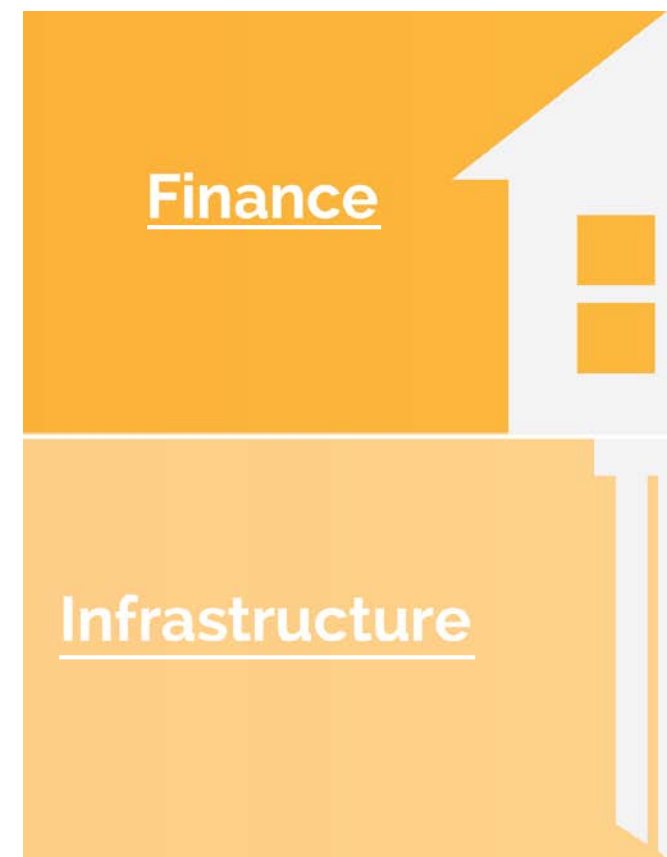
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- Infrastructure supply (existing)
  - Demography
  - Serviced lands (lands capability)
  - Principal Economic Status
  - Accessibility to services
  - Third Economy
  - Horizon planning - new infrastructure delivery
  - Social inclusion



# † Mechanism For Delivery

- Disposable income
- Consumer confidence
- Housing affordability
- Cost of living
- Access to credit



# † Mechanism For Delivery

Identify

Acquire

Model

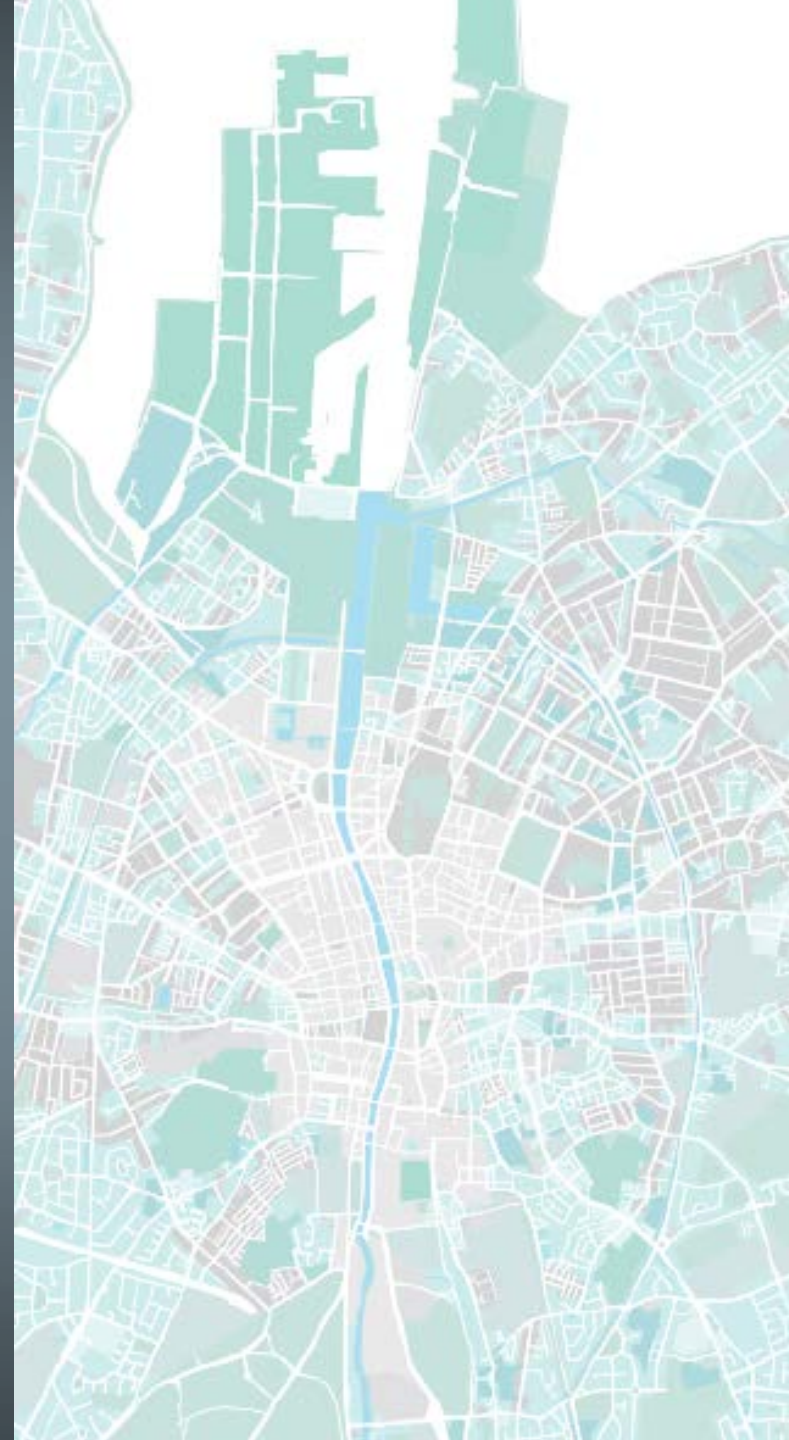
Roadmap for implementation

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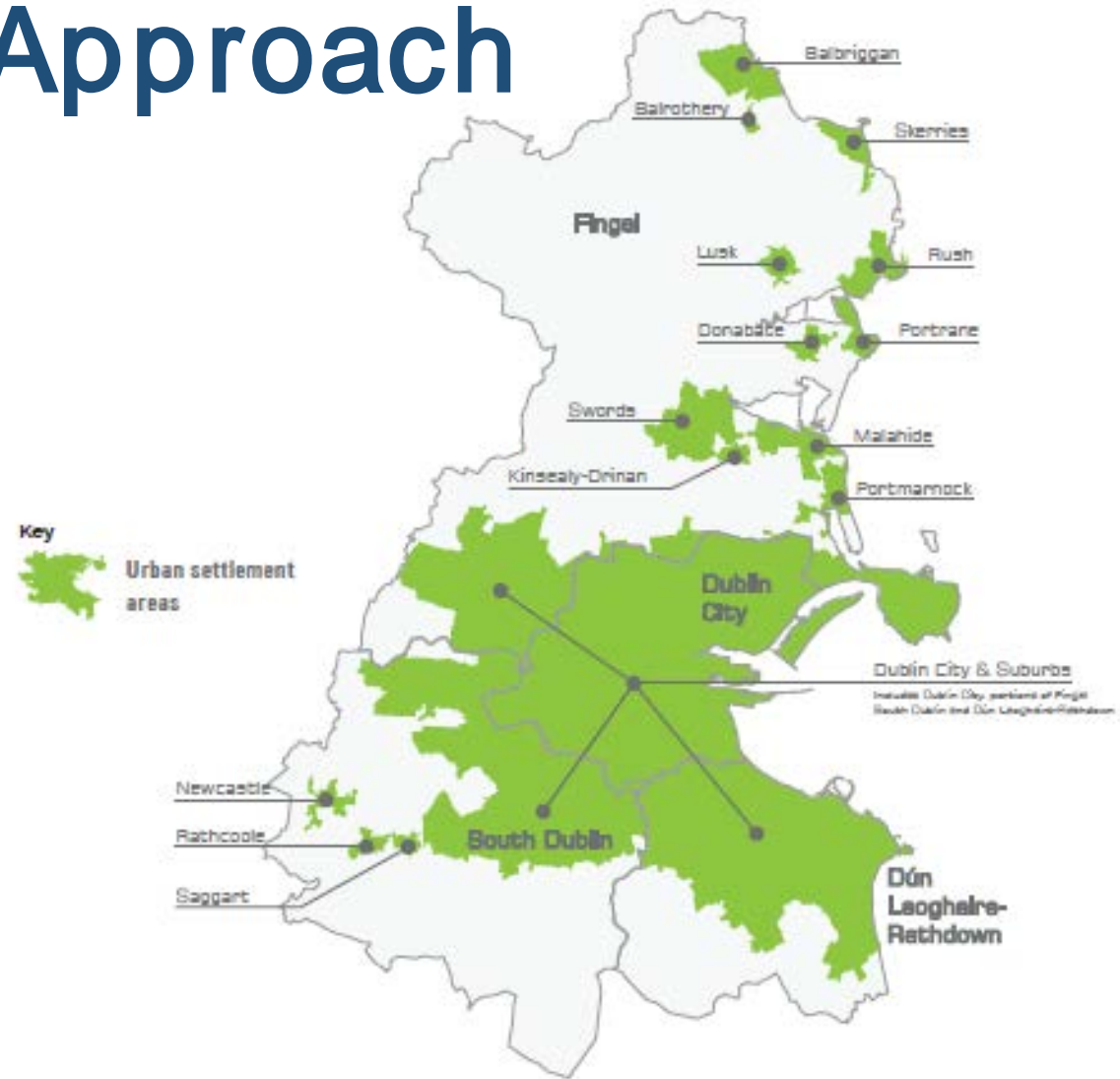
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- It considers this alongside the **quantum of granted (extant) planning permission for residential development**.
- The analysis builds off the Housing Agency/ FAC publication '**Housing Supply Requirements in Ireland's Urban Settlements 2014-2018**' (April, 2014).

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- These selected settlements are those having a **resident population of 1,000 persons or more** based on CSO Census 2011.

- These settlements account for some **97.6% of the Dublin Region's population** in 2011.

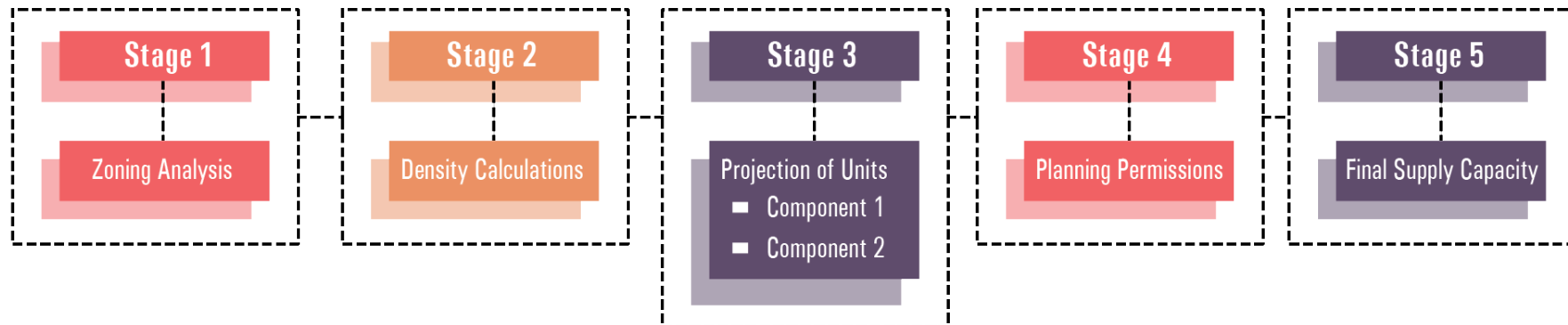


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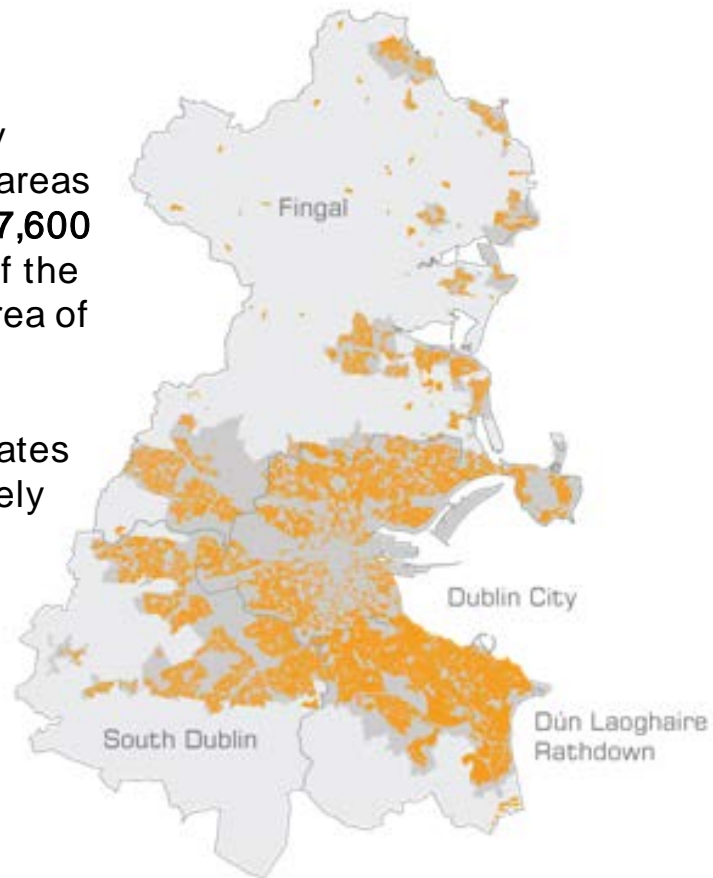




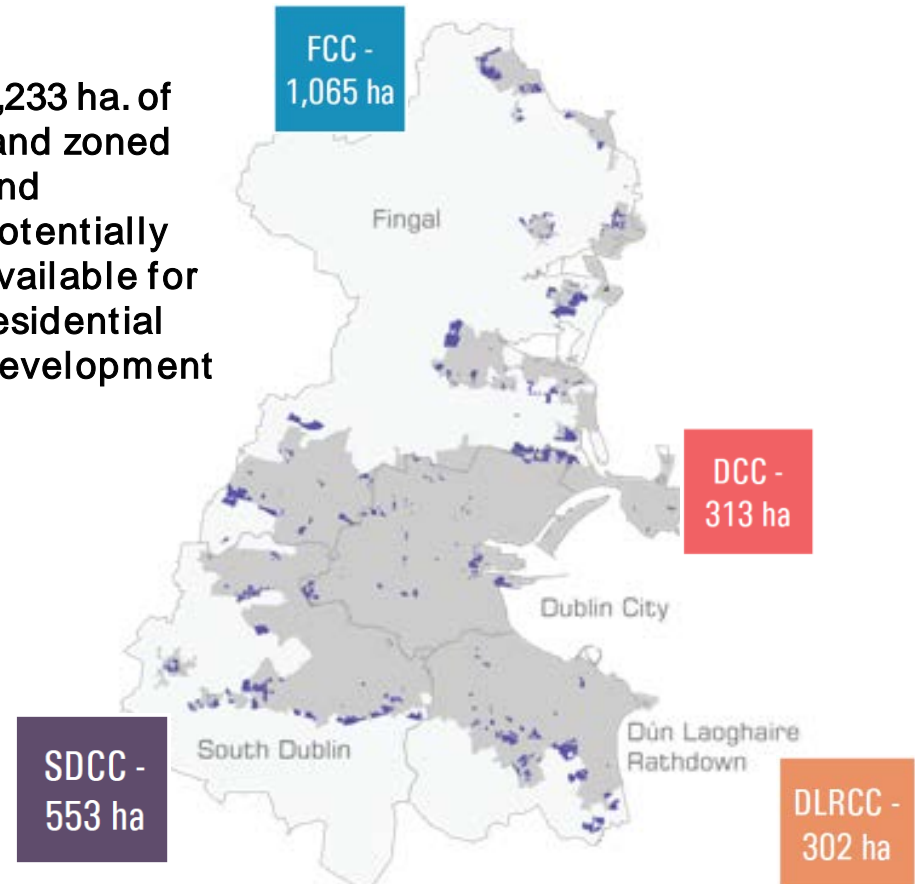
# Methodology Overview

## Zoning Analysis

Existing  
residentially  
developed areas  
occupy c. **17,600  
ha.** or 19% of the  
total land area of  
the Dublin  
Region and  
accommodates  
approximately  
**529,310  
dwellings**



**2,233 ha. of  
land zoned  
and  
potentially  
available for  
residential  
development**



# Methodology Overview

## Density Calculations

- A **sustainable density framework** has been applied to the identified lands, to ascertain the capacity of these lands to accommodate future populations.
- This **density framework** is based on the analysis of all relevant Local Area Plans and Development Plans, Residential Density Guidelines and relevant public transport policies.



# Methodology Overview

## Projection of Units

### ■ Component 1: Household Size.

The area of land (for residential development) multiplied by the density capacity for each parcel, to generate a 'Units per Hectare'. This is then merged with the average household size for the county to determine the level of population growth that this quantum of new residential development can accommodate.

### ■ Component 2: Household Composition

This determines the future requirement for particular household types and the need for units within these types (one-, two-, three-, four and five or more person households). By assessing the distribution in housing composition in the Dublin Region, this split is projected forward to 2018 to capture the expected minimum housing requirement.

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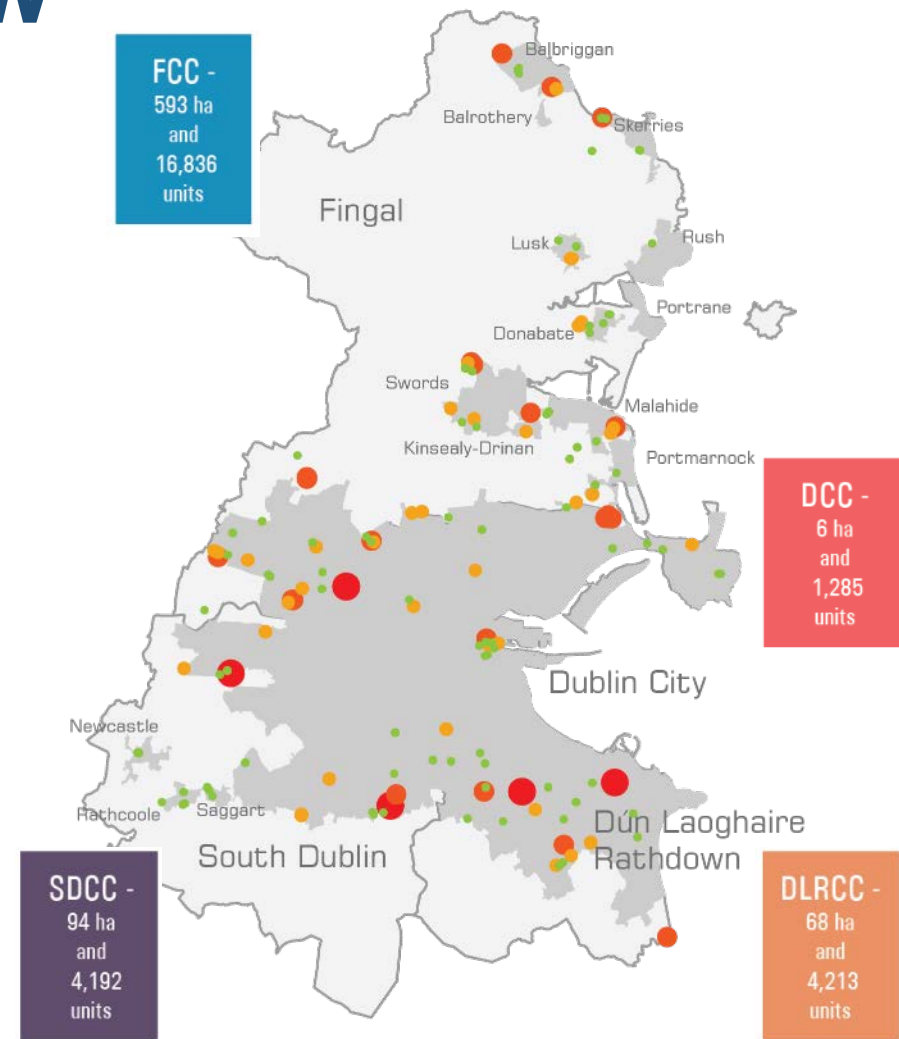
## Planning Permission Analysis

**Key**

Small Application -  
Min 25 Units

Large Application -  
Max 2,314 Units

**Granted (Extant)  
Planning Permissions for  
New Residential  
Development (from  
2008 to June 2014)**



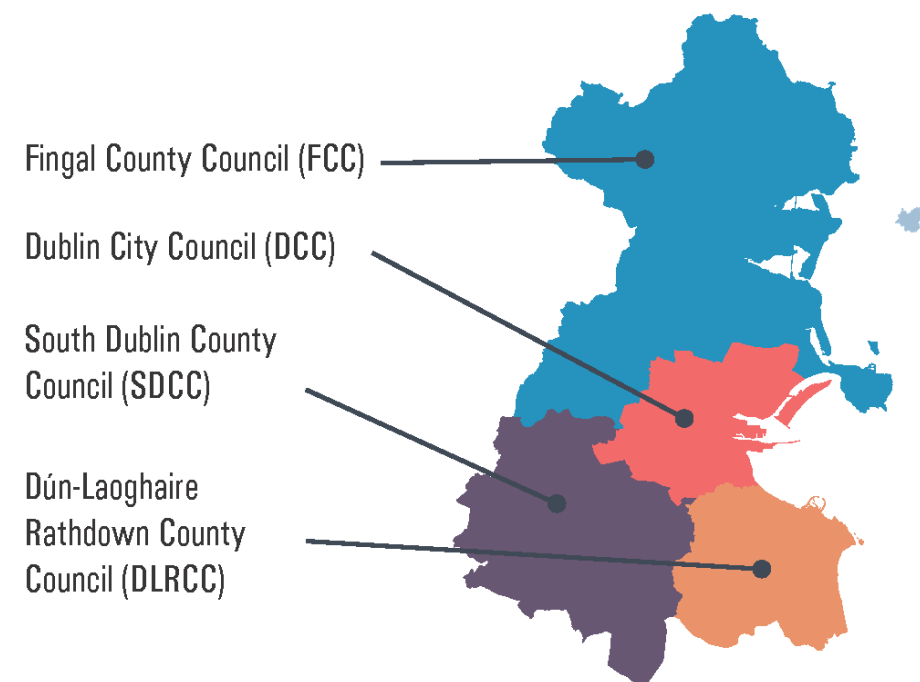


# Key Findings

- There are **2,233 hectares (ha)** of land zoned and potentially available for **residential development**, which is **2.4%** of the total land area in the Dublin Region.
- This zoned land can deliver approximately **102,500 additional housing units** under the **minimum recommended density** scenario.
- This can result in the provision of housing for approximately **269,000 additional persons**.
- There is a **minimum housing requirement of 35,433 between 2014 – 2018**. However, currently there is a total of just **26,526 planning permissions**, resulting in a **shortfall of 8,907 units** over the five-year period.

# Key Findings

Local Authority	Zoned for Residential Development	Minimum Housing Requirement (2014-2018)	Granted Planning Permissions	% Surplus/Deficit
DCC	313 ha	13,751 Units	1,285 Units	- 91%
FCC	1,065 ha	9,617 Units	16,836 Units	+ 75%
DLRCC	302 ha	3,299 Units	4,213 Units	+ 28%
SDCC	553 ha	8,766 Units	4,192 Units	- 52%
Total	2,233 ha	35,433 Units	26,526 Units	- 25%



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