

**MINUTES OF WICKLOW MUNICIPAL DISTRICT
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**MONDAY 26th JUNE 2017 3PM
WURZBURG ROOM, COUNTY BUILDINGS**

Present: Cathaoirleach John Snell, Councillors Gail Dunne, Daire Nolan, Shay Cullen, Mary Kavanagh.

Apologies: Cllr. Irene Winters

In attendance: District Manager Joe Lane, District Engineer Paul Byrne District Administrator David Porter, Assistant Staff Officer Liam Cullen.

Cathaoirleach John Snell opened the meeting at 3.05 p.m.

ELECTION OF CATHAOIRLEACH

Cllr. Daire Nolan proposed Cllr. Shay Cullen for the office of Cathaoirleach. Cllr. Mary Kavanagh seconded the proposal. There were no further nominations for the position. Cllr. Shay Cullen was thereby elected.

ELECTION OF LEAS-CATHAOIRLEACH

Cllr. Shay Cullen proposed Cllr. Daire Nolan for the position of Leas-Cathaoirleach. Cllr. John Snell seconded the proposal. There were no other nominations for the position and Cllr. Daire Nolan was deemed elected.

The outgoing Cathaoirleach John Snell thanked the Members for their support over his term as Cathaoirleach. Cllr Snell said that he was immensely proud to have served as Cathaoirleach of Wicklow Municipal District. He was honoured to be Cathaoirleach in such a historic year as 2016. He highlighted the many events he was proud to attend as Cathaoirleach of Wicklow Municipal District, to commemorate the events of 1916. He paid tribute to his fellow Councillors for their support throughout his term.

He thanked District Engineer Paul Byrne, District Manager Joe Lane and all the staff of the Wicklow Municipal District for their hard work and diligence throughout the year. He highlighted the number of completed projects and the value for money attained on each of those projects.

He paid tribute to the District Administrator, David Porter and described him as extremely courteous and hardworking. The Cathaoirleach wished Mr Porter every success in his new position as Administrative Officer in the Housing section.

The Members each paid tribute to the outgoing Cathaoirleach. They commended him on the passion he brought to the role of Wicklow Municipal District Cathaoirleach and they also highlighted his continued commitment to improving the Wicklow Municipal District. The Members praised Cllr. Snell's strong work ethic and also mentioned the high esteem that he is held in by his fellow Councillors and the staff of Wicklow County Council.

Cllr Dunne joined the meeting at 3.18pm

Cathaoirleach Shay Cullen thanked his fellow Members for proposing him for the position. He also paid tribute to the outgoing Cathaoirleach Cllr. Snell for the work and dedication that he brought to the role of Cathaoirleach of Wicklow Municipal District. He expressed his honour and pride to be the new Cathaoirleach of Wicklow Municipal District. He highlighted the following areas that he would like to see Wicklow Municipal District to focus their attention on.

- Provision of Housing in Wicklow MD
- Resolving issues re: Irish water
- Making improvements to our local road network
- Tourism promotion in Wicklow MD
- "Kickstart" Wicklow initiative
- Provision of playgrounds in Wicklow MD
- Provision of public lighting and footpaths in Wicklow MD

The new Cathaoirleach commended the District Engineer Paul Byrne, District Manager Joe Lane and all the staff of the Wicklow Municipal District for their hard work throughout the year.

He paid tribute to Mr. David Porter for his work as District Administrator and he wished Mr Porter every success in his new position as Administrative Officer in the Housing section

The Members each congratulated the new Cathaoirleach. They each acknowledged his enthusiasm for the job and offered their support to him in the coming year.

Outgoing Cathaoirleach John Snell handed over the chain of office.

SCHEDULE OF ORDINARY MEETINGS

A discussion took place regarding the commencement times for the Monthly meetings. Currently the monthly meetings are scheduled to commence at 3pm. The possibility of starting the meetings at a later time in the evening was discussed. Concerns were

raised regarding the availability of staff members to attend meetings if they were scheduled for later in the evening.

Mr. Joe Lane agreed to look at the possibility of changing the start time of the monthly meeting and will revert back to Members with an update at the next meeting .Meetings commencement times will remain at 3pm until further notice.

Proposed : Cllr. Shay Cullen
Seconded: Cllr. Gail Dunne

The meeting closed at 3.35 p.m.

SIGNED:


DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

SIGNED:


CATHAOIRLEACH

DATE:

24/7/2017

