MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING (HYBRID) OF WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2024, COMMENCING 12.00 NOON IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AND VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

## PRESENT:

COUNCILLORS P. O'BRIEN CATHAOIRLEACH, D, ALVEY, M. BARRY, S. BOURKE, M. CORRIGAN, A. CRONIN, E. DOYLE, M. DUDDY, L. FENELON GASKIN, O. FINN, A. FLYNN KENNEDY, P. GLENNON, P. KENNEDY, S. LANGRELL, P. LEONARD, J. MULHALL, M. MURPHY, I. NEARY, D. O'BRIEN, G. O'NEILL, G. RICHMOND, J. SNELL, P. STAPLETON, S. STOKES AND C. WINSTANLEY (25)

## **APOLOGIES**

CLLRS. J. BEHAN, G. DUNNE, P. FITZGERALD T. FORTUNE, W. O'TOOLE AND L. SCOTT, (6)

#### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

MS. E. O'GORMAN, CHIEF EXECUTIVE MS. L. GALLAGHER, DIRECTOR OF SERVICES MS. T. O'BRIEN, T/DIRECTOR OF SERVICES MS. L. EARLS, DIRECTOR OF SERVICES MR. J. LANE, DIRECTOR OF SERVICES MR. M. NICHOLSON, DIRECTOR OF SERVICES MR. B. GLEESON, DIRECTOR OF SERVICES MR. M. DEVEREUX, T/DIRECTOR OF SERVICES MS. R. GILLESPIE, A/SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR MS. L. HEALY, SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER MS. S. NICHOLS, A/SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER MR. S. CLARKE, TOWN REGENERATION OFFICER MR. S. DOYLE, IS PROJECT LEADER MS. T. BYRNE, ASSISTANT STAFF OFFICER

At the commencement of the meeting a roll call was taken. The Meetings Administrator advised of meetings etiquette for online meetings and that the press and some members of the public were also present.

## ITEM NO. 1

To consider the filling of casual vacancy arising from the election of former Cllr. Edward Timmins to Dáil Éireann in accordance with Section 19 of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended.

Ms. R. Gillespie, A/Meetings Administrator advised the Elected Members that in accordance with Section 19 of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended, the Elected Members were notified of the casual vacancy due to the election of former Cllr. Edward Timmins to Dáil Éireann.

Legislation states that a co-option shall be made after due notice at the next meeting of the Local Authority, after the expiration of 14 days from the occurrence of the vacancy or as soon after the expiration of the 14 days, as circumstances permit.

Fine Gael has nominated Mr. Pat Mahon, Knocknadroose, Valleymount, Blessington, Co. Wicklow to fill the vacancy and he has consented in writing by letter dated 16<sup>th</sup> December 2024.

It was proposed by Cllr. A. Cronin, seconded by Cllr. S. Bourke and agreed by all to co-opt Mr. Pat Mahon on to the Council.

The Elected Members welcomed Cllr. Mahon, wished him well and looked forward to working with him.

Cllr. Mahon thanked the Elected Members for their kind words and stated that he looked forward to working with everyone.

Congratulations were extended to Cllr. E. Timmins on his election to Dáil Éireann.

# THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

CLLR. PAUL O'BRIEN CATHAOIRLEACH WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL MS. HELEN PURCELL SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER/ MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

Confirmed at meeting of Wicklow County Council held on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> January 2025