

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF GREYSTONES MUNICIPAL DISTRICT HELD IN THE CIVIC OFFICES, MILL ROAD, GREYSTONES, CO. WICKLOW ON TUESDAY 24TH JUNE 2025 AT 7.00 P.M.

Present: Councillor T. Fortune, Cathaoirleach
Councillors M. Barry, O. Finn, L. Fenelon-Gaskin, L. Scott & S. Stokes

Also Present: Mr. G. Cullen, Greystones Municipal District Engineer
Ms. T. Kearns, Greystones Municipal District Administrator
Ms. K. Coughlan, Greystones Municipal District

Apologies from: Mr. M. Devereux, Greystones Municipal District Manager

At the outset the outgoing Cathaoirleach, Councillor T. Fortune, stated that he was honoured to have served as Cathaoirleach during the past year. He spoke about various events held during the year and the progress made on many projects, as well as issues still needing attention such as land for sporting clubs, regeneration of Kilcoole, footpath to Kilcoole train station, Delgany and Killincarrig improvements, film campus, parking, road markings and public lighting. He particularly welcomed the resolution of the local fishermen's issues which had been ongoing for some years.

He criticised the Council's budget process and while he commended members of the Town Team for their work he was critical of the system that often allowed Town Teams greater access to senior Council officials and funding than the democratically elected Councillors. He thanked his fellow Councillors and the Council staff, present and past, for their co-operation and assistance throughout the year and he looked forward to working with and supporting the new Cathaoirleach going forward.

All the members commended Councillor Fortune on his year as Cathaoirleach, as did the District Administrator on behalf of all the staff.

1. ELECTION OF CATHAOIRLEACH

It was proposed by Councillor S. Stokes that Councillor L. Scott be elected as Cathaoirleach for the coming year and this was seconded by Councillor L. Fenelon Gaskin.

As there were no other proposals Councillor L. Scott was elected as Cathaoirleach for the coming year and proceeded to take the chair

Councillor Scott thanked her fellow Councillors for electing her and stated that she was honoured to serve in the role. She pointed out that her last term as Cathaoirleach was during Covid when the majority of meetings were held online so she was delighted to be here now in person. She commended the many volunteer groups that operated in the district and the large number of young people who did great work and she stated that she hoped to hear their views

through their schools. She pointed out that the provision of sporting facilities was a priority for her as was the resolution of the issues at Farrankelly Close and she stated that she wanted Greystones Municipal District to be an inclusive place where everyone felt welcome.

All the members congratulated Councillor Scott on her election as Cathaoirleach and looked forward to working with and supporting her throughout the coming year.

2. ELECTION OF LEAS-CATHAOIRLEACH

It was proposed by Councillor L. Fenelon Gaskin that Councillor M. Barry be elected as Leas Cathaoirleach for the coming year and this was seconded by Councillor T. Fortune.

There were no other proposals so Councillor M. Barry was deemed elected as Leas-Cathaoirleach for the coming year.

Members congratulated Councillor Barry and wished him well.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED: _____ CATHAOIRLEACH

CERTIFIED: _____ DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

DATED THIS: _____ DAY OF _____ 2025