## Municipal District of Muinebheag

# Minutes of the Municipal District of Muinebheag Annual General Meeting

# held on Wednesday 16 June 2021 at 3.30 pm in the Community Hall, McGrath Memorial Hall, Muinebheag

**Members present :** Cllr Arthur McDonald (Cathaoirleach, until election of Cathaoirleach)

Cllr Michael Doran (Cathaoirleach, after election of Cathaoirleach)

Cllr Andy Gladney Cllr Tommy Kinsella Cllr William Quinn

In attendance: Pádraig O'Gorman, Director of Services,

Brian O'Donovan, Senior Executive Officer,

Kieran Comerford, Head of Economic Development & Enterprise

Maria Ahearne, Meeting Administrator, S/Staff Officer.

# 1. Standard Operating Guidance.

As part of the Standard Operating Guidance (SoG) document issued for attendance at Council Meetings the Cathaoirleach thanked all for completion of their Covid-19 Self Declaration forms and for the continued adherence to the Covid-19 control measures in place. The Cathaoirleach went down through the key points highlighting the timeline for the meetings today not to exceed 1 hour 55 minutes.

2. The Cathaoirleach welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting, acknowledging that it was lovely to meet up in person now that some of the Covid 19 restrictions were being lifted. Cllr McDonald noted that whilst it had been a year with less opportunities to meet up with the community in the District that we maintained contact virtually. Cllr McDonald thanked his fellow members, the officials and engineering staff of Muinebheag sincerely for their dedication, courtesy & advice, stating that this contributed to the achievements over the year with improved roads, lanes and housing in the District. The members thanked Cllr McDonald for what had been a difficult year in the Chair saying that he was always at the end of the phone adding that consultation is better than confrontation at any time. Mr O'Gorman thanked the outgoing Cathaoirleach for his dedication and commitment throughout the year noting that the work programme was always put first and kept on track.

#### 3. Election of Cathaoirleach

Cllr McDonald then invited Members to consider the election of the Cathaoirleach for the new term 2021/2022.

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**Resolved** on the proposal of Cllr Kinsella, seconded by Cllr McDonald that Cllr Doran be elected as Cathaoirleach.

Cllr McDonald wished Cllr Doran the very best as he took the chair.

The newly elected Cathaoirleach, Cllr Doran, thanked the members for the continued support asking that a minutes silence be held as a mark of respect for the recent passing of Mrs Kathleen Crowley (née Collins), mother of Mr Jerry Crowley, District Engineer. A minutes silence was observed.

The Cathaoirleach acknowledged that the members and officials of Muinebheag work well as a team and hoped that the year ahead was going to be a year of reopening allowing us all to re-connect with the community. Cllr Doran extended his gratitude to the health workers involved in the smooth and successful rollout of the vaccination programme which is contributing hugely to the reopening of communities. Cllr Doran welcomed Brian O'Donovan as the SEO in the Housing Directorate and wished him well in his new role. All Members and the Director of Services extended their congratulations to Cllr Doran.

#### 4. Election of Leas Cathaoirleach

The members then considered the election of the Leas Cathaoirleach.

**Resolved** on the proposal of Cllr Kinsella seconded by Cllr Doran that Cllr McDonald be elected as Leas Cathaoirleach.

Cllr McDonald thanked the members for their support and said he was looking forward to working for the Muinebheag area.

All Members and the Director of Services extended their congratulations to Cllr McDonald.

# 5. Schedule of Meetings for 2021/2022

The members agreed the Calendar of meetings for 2021/22.

2021 - July 7, September 1. October 6 (subject to change to align with Budget meeting), December 1

2022 - February 2, April 6, June 15.

The members agreed that the next Municipal District Meeting be scheduled for Wednesday 7 July at 4.00pm.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed:	Date:	
Cathaoirleach		
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