

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CAPPAMORE-KILMALLOCK HELD IN ÁRAS MAINCHÍN SEOIGHE, MILLMOUNT, KILMALLOCK, CO. LIMERICK, ON FRIDAY, 20th DECEMBER, 2019, AT 1.30 P.M.

PRESENT IN THE CHAIR:

Councillor Michael Donegan, An Cathaoirleach.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Mitchell and E. Ryan.

Apologies for their inability to attend were received from Councillors Carey, Egan, M. Ryan and Teefy.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Meetings Administrator (Mr. M. Leahy), Clerical Officer, Cappamore-Kilmallock (Ms. H. O'Neill).

Apologies for their inability to attend were received from Mr S. Coughlan, Director, Support Services-Finance, Corporate, HR & ICT and Mr. B. Kidney, Senior Executive Engineer, Cappamore-Kilmallock.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Former Councillors Mr. E. Creighton, Mr. P. McAuliffe, and Mr. M. O'Callaghan.

Apologies for his inability to attend was received from former Councillor, Mr J. Houlihan.

The Cathaoirleach welcomed and thanked Members, former Members and officials for attending the Special Meeting being held to pass a Vote of Sympathy for former Councillor, Michael Barry, who had passed away recently.

Deep sympathy was expressed to his wife Mary, son Kevin, daughters Grania, Cliona and Edwina, brother Willie, sisters Norah, Eileen, Mary, Kathleen, Bridget and Margaret and extended family, friends, neighbours and community, on their loss.

The Cathaoirleach recalled that the late Michael Barry, who was from Cappawhite, Co. Tipperary was originally elected onto the then Limerick County Council in 1974 and served with distinction as a Councillor over the following decades. He paid tribute to Mr Barry

describing him as a gentleman who was very intelligent and performed very effectively as a Councillor.

He also recalled how he had worked closely with him in Kilmallock Tourism Development over the years and the huge contribution that he had made to Kilmallock Tourism Development and the town of Kilmallock in general. He also acknowledged the support and assistance he had personally received from him and stated he would often have gone to him for advice politically or in relation to community matters.

The current and former Members also paid tribute to Michael Barry and described him as a quiet, unassuming man who, during his period as a Councillor for Limerick County Council, had worked extremely hard on behalf of all his constituents. They noted how he always worked with his fellow Councillors, without rancour or hassle and no matter what affiliation, in order to further the cause of all of the people they represented. They also remarked that Cllr Kevin Sheahan is now the only current serving Member of Limerick City & County Council who had served with Michael Barry.

The Members noted his insight and knowledge of local government and governance in general and his keen interest in current affairs. The Members also noted that following his retirement from politics he continued to show his interest by remaining very active in local affairs in Kilmallock. One of his proudest moments was when his grandson Barry Hennessy, who is the substitute goalkeeper with the Limerick senior hurling team, won an All-Ireland medal in 2018.

The Meetings Administrator, on his own behalf and on behalf of the management and staff of Limerick City and County Council, extended his sincere sympathy to Michael Barry's family and friends.

The Cathaoirleach stated that the Funeral Mass for the late Michael Barry would be held at 3.00pm that day in St Peter & Pauls Church, Kilmallock with burial afterwards in the local cemetery.

This concluded the Meeting.

Signed: _____
Cathaoirleach

Date: _____