

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT LIMERICK RACECOURSE, GREENMOUNT PARK, PATRICKSWELL, CO. LIMERICK ON TUESDAY, 30TH JUNE, 2020, AT 2.30 P.M. TO PASS A VOTE OF SYMPATHY ON THE DEATH OF MAYOR MICHAEL SHEAHAN'S BROTHER, FRANCIS, RIP.

PRESENT IN THE CHAIR:

Councillor A. Teskey, Deputy Mayor.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Benson, Butler, Carey, Collins (B), Collins (J), Collins (M), Costelloe, Daly, Donegan, Egan, Foley, Galvin, Hartigan, Keary, Kiely, Kilcoyne, Leddin, McSweeney, Mitchell, Murphy, Novak, Uí Chonchúir, O'Brien, O'Dea, O'Donoghue, O'Donovan, O'Hanlon, O'Sullivan, Ruddle, Ryan (E), Ryan (M), Scanlan, Secas, Sheahan (J), Sheahan (M), Sheehan, Slattery, Talukder and Teefy.

An apology for his inability to attend the Meeting was received from Councillor Sheahan (K).

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Chief Executive (Mr. P. Daly), Deputy Chief Executive and Director, Support Services (Mr. S. Coughlan), Director, Service Operations (Mr. K. Lehane), Director, Housing Development (Ms. A. Duke), A/Director, Economic Development (Mr. V. Murray), Director, Physical Development (Mr. B. Kennedy), A/Director, Capital Investment (Mr. S. Hanrahan), Meetings Administrator (Mr. J. Clune), A/Administrative Officer, Corporate Services and Governance (Mr. P. Williams), Staff Officer, Corporate Services and Governance (Ms. L. Creamer).

Apologies for their inability to attend the Meeting were received from the Director, National and Regional Shared Services (Ms. C. Curley) and the Director, Community Development (Mr. G. Daly).

The Deputy Mayor stated that the Special Meeting was convened to pass a Vote of Sympathy on the death of Mayor Michael Sheahan's brother, Francis, RIP.

The Deputy Mayor, on behalf of the Members and the people of Limerick, extended sincere sympathies to Mayor Michael Sheahan on the sad passing of his brother, Francis. He also extended sympathy to Francis's wife, Margaret, son Mark and daughter Grace, and the extended family. He said this was a particularly sad note for Michael to end his Mayoralty on.

Councillor J. Sheahan, on his own behalf and on behalf of the Fine Gael Party, Councillor M. Collins, on his own behalf and on behalf of the Fianna Fáil Party, Councillor Leddin, on his own behalf and on behalf of the Labour Party, Councillor Costelloe, on his own behalf and on behalf of Sinn Féin Party and Councillor Teefy, on her own behalf and on behalf of The Independents, all joined with the Deputy Mayor in extending their deepest sympathies to Mayor Sheahan and all the family on the death of his brother, Francis.

Members referred to Francis's greatest loves – his family, Askeaton F.C. and his garden. The death of a loved one was a difficult time for any family but particularly so during this COVID-19 pandemic. They stated that Michael had had an outstanding year as Mayor and was an excellent ambassador for Limerick and they expressed the hope that he would have the strength and confidence to keep going during this sad time.

On his own behalf and on behalf of all the staff, the Chief Executive joined with the Members in conveying his deepest sympathies to Mayor Sheahan and his extended family on their loss.

The Mayor thanked the Members for holding the Special Meeting to pass a Vote of Sympathy on the death of his brother, Francis. He stated that it was difficult for him to attend the Meeting but his family and Francis's wife, Margaret, had urged him to do so.

This concluded the Meeting.

Signed: _____
Mayor

Date: _____