

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBER DOORADOYLE AND ONLINE, ON TUESDAY 11TH JULY, 2023, AT 9.00 AM, IN ORDER TO PASS A VOTE OF SYMPATHY ON THE DEATH OF FORMER MAYOR OF LIMERICK, JOHN QUINN, RIP.

PRESENT IN THE CHAIR:

Councillor G. Mitchell, Mayor.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Benson, Butler, Carey, Collins (J), Collins (M), Collopy, Donegan, Foley, Galvin, Hartigan, Kiely, Kilcoyne, Leddin, McSweeney, Novak Uí Chonchúir, O'Donoghue, O'Hanlon, O'Sullivan, Pond, Ryan (E), Scanlon, Secas, Sheahan (M), Sheahan (C), Slattery, Teefy, Teskey.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Chief Executive (Dr. P. Daly), Director, National and Regional Shared Services (Mr. K. Lehane), A/Director, Regeneration, Sports and Recreation (Mr. B. Troy), A/Director, Economic Development, Enterprise and Tourism (Ms. E. Coleman), A/Director, Transportation and Mobility (Mr. H. McGrath), A/Director, Rural, Community and Culture Development (Mr. S. O'Connor), Meetings Administrator (Ms. L. Flannery), Administrative Officer, Corporate Services & Governance (Mr. M. Leahy), Senior Staff Officer Corporate Services & Governance (Ms. A. Foley).

The Mayor thanked everybody for attending the Special Meeting, explaining that it was being held to pass a Vote of Sympathy for former Mayor of Limerick, Mr. John Quinn, who had sadly passed away. Deep sympathy was expressed to his sons John, Dermot, Niall and Brendan, daughter Gina, and to his extended family, friends and his community, on their loss.

The Mayor went on to state that John Quinn was a very proud Limerick man who was very committed to the people of Limerick. The Mayor described John as a gentleman and a very honourable man who served his community and his city for decades.

John was first elected to Limerick City Council in 1979 and was returned in the local elections of 1985 and 1991. John retired undefeated from the council in 1999. The Mayor remembered him as a leading community figure, noting that he served as both chairperson and president of the Limerick county executive of the Community Games, and his long association with Ballynatty Residents Association and with the Gaelic League.

Members thanked the Mayor for calling the Special Meeting. They acknowledged that John had served the people of Limerick extremely well, and they remembered him as a trustworthy, honourable and committed public representative, who was heavily involved in many aspects of his local community.

Members paid tribute to John and the commitment he had to his community, his family, his local church, and how he will not be forgotten by the people of Limerick. John had a great love for local politics and was remembered as a man with integrity and honour who was very polite and courteous. Members expressed their sympathies to his sons John, Dermot, Niall and Brendan, daughter Gina, and to his extended family

The Chief Executive, on behalf of Management and staff, paid tribute to John Quinn and expressed his condolences to John's family and friends, on their sad loss. He remembered John as a gentleman, a diligent worker who was very active in his local community. He noted that he was a great public servant who leaves behind an incredible legacy of service to his community and his county, and he will be sadly missed.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Mayor held a minute's silence as a mark of respect.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

This concluded the Meeting.

Signed: _____
Mayor

Date: _____