

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF ADARE-RATHKEALE HELD IN ÁRAS SEÁN FINN, NEW LINE ROAD, RATHKEALE, CO. LIMERICK ON TUESDAY, 25TH JUNE, 2024 AT 9.30 A.M.

PRESENT IN THE CHAIR: Councillor A. Teskey, An Cathaoirleach.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Collins, Hartigan, Keary, O'Donoghue and Ward.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor of Limerick (Mr. J. Moran), Director, Rural, Community and Culture Development (Mr. S. Duclot), Meetings Administrator (Ms. K. Butler), Senior Executive Engineer, Roads, Traffic and Cleansing (Mr. G. O'Connor), Clerical Officer (Ms. L. Lenihan).

The outgoing Cathaoirleach, Councillor Teskey, welcomed all to the Annual General Meeting of the Municipal District to elect the Cathaoirleach and Leas Cathaoirleach of the Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District. He congratulated Councillors Collins, Keary and O'Donoghue on their re-election and welcomed the newly elected Councillors Hartigan and Ward. The outgoing Cathaoirleach also welcomed John Moran, Mayor of Limerick to the Meeting and congratulated him in his new role. He advised Members looked forward to working with the Mayor on issues of importance to Elected Members of the District over the next five years.

1. To elect a Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale to hold office until the next Annual Meeting or until a successor has been elected.

The outgoing Cathaoirleach invited nominations for the Office of Cathaoirleach for the coming year.

Proposed by Councillor Keary;
Seconded by Councillor Collins;

"That Councillor Adam Teskey be appointed Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale to hold office until the next Annual Meeting or until a successor has been appointed".

As there were no other nominations, Councillor Adam Teskey was declared elected as Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale.

The Members congratulated Councillor Teskey for his election as Cathaoirleach and wished him every success in the coming year. Councillor O'Donoghue asked for Members to consider him and Councillor Hartigan for Cathaoirleach and Leas Cathaoirleach at some point during the five year term.

On taking the Chair, Councillor Teskey thanked his proposer and seconder and said he was looking forward to working with all Members, Management and Staff over the next twelve months in his role as Cathaoirleach of the Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District.

2. To elect a Leas-Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale to hold office until the next Annual Meeting or until a successor has been elected.

The newly elected Cathaoirleach then invited nominations for the office of Leas-Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale for the coming year.

Proposed by Councillor Teskey;
Seconded by Councillor Collins.

“That Councillor Stephen Keary be appointed Leas-Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale to hold office until the next Annual Meeting or until a successor has been appointed”.

As there were no other nominations, the Cathaoirleach declared Councillor Stephen Keary elected as Leas-Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale and wished him well for the coming year.

Councillor Keary expressed his thanks at his nomination and election and looked forward to working with his fellow Councillors in the year ahead.

Prior to the conclusion of the Agenda Councillor Teskey called on John Moran, Mayor of Limerick to arrange a Special Meeting with Uisce Éireann, as a matter of urgency, to provide an update on the boil water notice for the Shannon Estuary water supply. Councillor Teskey added that this matter was a most contentious issue in the Adare-Rathkeale District during the election campaign and the Members feel they are now obliged to have the issue addressed as a matter of urgency.

Mayor, John Moran addressed the Elected Members saying he understood members concerns in the District with the water situation and advised he would assist Members in addressing their concerns adding he would do so as an advocate for all the people of Limerick collectively, who were experiencing issues with the water utility company.

The Meetings Administrator advised members on the current Uisce Éireann update saying testing of the UV system is currently taking place over the next month and would subsequently transfer to the Health Service Executive when complete.

Mayor Moran asked Members to compile a list of eight to ten objectives that can be included in the Mayoral Programme for the next five years and suggested a Workshop be convened by Members to assist in compiling these objectives on or before the 12th

July. It was agreed the Mayoral Programme be circulated in advance of this Workshop to the Elected Members of Adare-Rathkeale to avoid duplication of priorities.

Councillor Teskey requested the Meetings Administrator communicate with Uisce Éireann to request an onsite meeting in Foynes Shannon Estuary Water Treatment Plant. Mayor Moran requested Elected Members draft a summary of all events that have taken place to date with Uisce Éireann in relation to the boil water notice in Foynes Shannon Estuary Water Treatment Plant and submit to his office as soon as possible.

The Meetings Administrator advised Billy Lynch, Senior Project Manager, Discover Limerick DAC has requested a Private Workshop to discuss proposals for the Adare Heritage Centre, following the completion of the Agenda for the July Municipal District Meeting. Following discussion between Elected Members a date of 9th of July was agreed for the District Meeting followed by Workshop with Discover Limerick DAC at 11.00 a.m.

This concluded the Meeting.

Signed: _____
Cathaoirleach

Dated: _____