

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF ADARE-RATHKEALE HELD IN ÁRAS SEÁN FINN, NEW LINE ROAD, RATHKEALE, CO. LIMERICK AND ONLINE ON FRIDAY, 27TH JUNE, 2025 AT 11.30 A.M.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Director of Service, Planning and Place-Making (Mr. V. Murray), Meetings Administrator (Ms. K. Butler), Senior Executive Engineer, Roads, Traffic and Cleansing (Mr. G. O'Connor), A/Senior Executive Officer, Municipal Districts (Ms. K. White), 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 thanked the Elected Members and Executive for their support during his term as Cathaoirleach and wished the incoming Cathaoirleach the best for the year ahead.

He finished by expressing his disappointment that the position of roads Executive Engineer for the Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District still remains unfilled. The Director of Service, Planning and Place-Making informed Members an Executive Engineer panel is currently being compiled and agreed to follow up on the issue and circulate update to Members in due course.

Discussion ensued in relation to the Social Housing project in Pallaskenry. Members requested this be an item on the Agenda for the July Municipal District Meeting.

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 Teskey;
Seconded by Councillor Collins;

"That Councillor Ger Ward 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".

Councillor O'Donoghue thanked the outgoing Cathaoirleach for his help throughout the year and counter proposed Councillor Keary be appointed Cathaoirleach and Councillor Ward be appointed Leas-Cathaoirleach. The Cathaoirleach stated he had full confidence in Councillor Ward as Cathaoirleach of the District and Councillor Keary stated he wished to be associated with these sentiments and declined his nomination as Cathaoirleach of the District.

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

The Members congratulated Councillor Ward for his election as Cathaoirleach and wished him every success in the coming year.

On taking the Chair, Councillor Ward 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 Keary.

"That Councillor Bridie Collins 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 Bridie Collins elected as Leas-Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale and wished her well for the coming year.

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

This concluded the Meeting.

Signed: _____
Cathaoirleach

Dated: _____