

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 TUESDAY, 30TH JUNE, 20265 AT 11.00 A.M.

PRESENT IN THE CHAIR:

Councillor G. Ward, Cathaoirleach.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Director of Service, Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District (Mr. V. Murray), Meetings Administrator (Ms. K. Butler), Senior Executive Officer, Municipal Districts (Ms. K. White), Executive Engineer, Roads, Traffic and Cleansing (Mr. K. Carroll), Clerical Officer (Ms. L. Lenihan).

The outgoing Cathaoirleach, Councillor Ward, 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.

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 Ward;
Seconded by Councillor Keary;

“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.

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. Councillor Teskey referred to the recent appointment of seven Members to the Limerick City and County Local Community Safety Partnership Committee and asked for confirmation on how these Members were appointed to this committee.

The Director of Service, Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District advised the legislation set out for the Local Community Safety Partnership states that seven Members from each Local Authority would be appointed to the committee and there was a general agreement that one Member be appointed from each Municipal District as well as the Príomh Chomhairleoir of Limerick City and County Council. These nominations were agreed at the Full Meeting of Limerick City and County Council in March 2026. The Senior Executive Officer, Municipal Districts advised these nominations were put forward from the Corporate Policy Group and Party Leaders.

Councillor Keary felt the previous Joint Policing Committee Meetings worked very well and expressed disappointment with the new format in which these meetings will now be held going forward and proposed the Cathaoirleach seek a meeting with the Garda Superintendent for the Adare-Rathkeale Division in September to discuss policing issues in the area. This was seconded by Councillor Teskey and agreed. Councillor Teskey advised the Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District would continue to hold Joint Policing Committee Meetings.

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 Ward;

“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 her well for the coming year.

Councillor Keary thanked his Elected Member colleagues for his nomination and election and looked forward to working with his fellow Councillors and the executive in the year ahead.

This concluded the Meeting.

Signed: _____
Cathaoirleach

Dated: _____