

Minutes of Annual Meeting of West Clare Municipal District held on 21st June, 2018 at 12.00 p.m. in Kilrush MD offices

Cathaoirleach sa Cathair:

Cllr. M. Hillery

I Láthair:

Cllr. R. Nagle, Cllr.C.Curtin, Cllr. I. Lynch, Cllr. B. Chambers, Cllr. G. Keating,Cllr. P.J. Kelly,

Apologies:

Cllr. B.Slattery,

Officials present:

Mr. L. Cleary, Area Co-Ordinator & A/Director of Service,
Mr. J. Corry, Administrative Officer & Meetings Administrator.

Cllr. Hillery welcomed everyone to the meeting. He thanked the members for their support during the past 12 months indicating that it had been an honour for him to serve as Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of West Clare. He indicated that a lot had happened in the West Clare Municipal District over the past 12 months with the provision of Hubs in Kilrush & Miltown Malbay, he referred to the Part VIII planning for Blakes Corner being approved , the provision of new toilet facilities at the beaches in Spanish Point & Lahinch, the retention of 9 Blue Flags .He also welcomed the fact that it was proposed to construct 18 Local Authority houses in Quilty.

He acknowledged the staff of Clare County Council for their support during the past year especially John Corry, Leonard Cleary, John O' Malley, Morgan Lahiffe, & all the overseers & general operatives. He wished the incoming Cathaoirleach the very best in the role. He also thanked the Press & in particular Peter O' Connell of the Clare Champion.

The members and executive thanked Cllr. Hillery and complimented him on his leadership over the past year.

1. Election of Cathaoirleach for 12 months

Cllr. Curtin proposed Cllr. Lynch for the position of Cathaoirleach. This was seconded by Cllr. Kelly. There were no other nominations & Cllr. Lynch was deemed elected.

Cllr. Lynch thanked the members for proposing him as Cathaoirleach. He said it was a great honour. He indicated that communities were the lifeblood of the West Clare MD. He stressed the importance of effective communication within Clare Co Council to maximize its efficiency. He added that it was his intention that the MD meetings would be very progressive.

The members all wished Cllr. Lynch well in his role as Cathaoirleach.

2. Election of Leas Cathaoirleach for 12 months

Cllr. Keating was proposed by Cllr. Curtin for the position of Leas Cathaoirleach and was seconded by Cllr. Kelly. As there were no other nominations, Cllr. Keating was elected to the position. All members wished Cllr. Keating well in his role as Leas Cathaoirleach.

Cllr. Keating emphasized the importance of Cllrs being kept updated on matters which they had made representations on. He suggested that he would be arranging a meeting with the Chief Executive & if the members had any issues that they wanted raised at this meeting that he could arrange for same.

L. Cleary advised that he would brief the Chief Executive & Management Team on the points raised by Cllrs Lynch & Keating. He also advised that at a future date that he would like to Brief Members on the Cliffs of Moher, which was presently going through a lot of change. The members welcomed this & indicated that the challenges facing the Cliffs of Moher should be viewed as something positive which provided opportunities.

3. Approval to payment of Allowance to Cathaoirleach of Municipal District

The approval to the payment of an allowance to the Cathaoirleach of the MD of €6,000 was proposed by Cllr. Hillery and seconded by Cllr. Curtin.

4. Schedule of Meetings

It was agreed that the West Clare would meet on the following dates:

3rd July 2018

4th September 2018

6th November 2018

Jan Mtg date to be agreed at Nov Mtg

5th March 2019

7th May 2019

It was agreed that if there was a need to change the date or time of any scheduled meeting during the year that same would be agreed by the members.

This then concluded the business of the meeting

Signed :

Cllr. I. Lynch
Cathaoirleach

Signed :

J. Corry
Meetings Administrator

Dated this the 21st day of September 2018.