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**MIONTUAIRISCÍ NA CRUINNITHE SPEICIALTA DE COMHAIRLE CONTAE CHIARRAÍ A THIONÓLADH I SEOMRA NA COMHAIRLE, ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, TRÁ LÍ, AR AN LUAN , 23 DEIREADH FÓMHAIR, 2017**

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, TRALEE ON MONDAY, 23<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER, 2017**

**PRESENT/I LÁTHAIR**

**Councillors/Comhairleoirí**

T. Barry	M. Cahill	P Connor-Scarteen
B. Cronin	J.J. Culloty	P. Daly
T. Ferris	J. Finucane	S. Fitzgerald
J.F. Flynn	N. Foley	M. Gleeson
D. Grady	J. Healy-Rae	N. Kelleher
M. Kennelly	S. Locke	J. Lucid
D. McCarthy	P. McCarthy	T. McEllistrim
J. Moloney	N. Moriarty	T. O'Brien
B. O'Connell	L. Purtill	D. Quigg
J. Sheahan	G. Spring	A. Thornton

**APOLOGY/LEATH SCÉAL**

R. Beasley

**IN ATTENDANCE/I LÁTHAIR**

Ms. M. Murrell, Chief Executive	Mr. J. Breen, Director Water Services
Ms. A. McAllen, Head of Finance	Mr. M. Scannell, A/Dir. Job Cr/Sust. ED
Mr. M. O'Donoghue, A/Dir.H.&Corp.S.	Mr. C. O'Sullivan, Director of Operations
Mr. L. Quinlan, Meetings Administrator	Ms. B. Conway, AO Corporate Support
Mr. O. O'Shea, Press & Comm. Officer	Ms. B. Reidy, SSO Corporate Support
Ms. O. O'Shea, CO Corporate Support	

The meeting commenced at 1.40pm.

The Cathaoirleach, Cllr. J. Sheahan took the Chair.

**17.10.23.01 Filling of Casual Vacancy following the resignation of Dianne Nolan**

Cllr. P. Daly PROPOSED that Mr. Tom Barry be co-opted to fill the casual vacancy following the resignation of Dianne Nolan. He introduced Tom as a

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former Mayor of Listowel and a strong union member and advised he will be a fine addition to Kerry County Council.

Cllr. T. Ferris SECONDED this proposal and added that Mr. Barry will be an excellent public representative and he is always available to those in need.

As there were no other nominations the Cathaoirleach declared Mr. Barry to be co-opted to Kerry County Council to replace Dianne Nolan.

Cllr. Barry then took his seat.

Cllr. T. Barry thanked his proposer and seconder for their kind words and added that he was looking forward to working with councillors, management and staff. He acknowledged the work of former councillor Dianne Nolan for the Sinn Féin party and the people of North Kerry and he added that she had been a tremendous help to him over the past few weeks. He wished her well in her new role. It was a proud day for his family and he thanked them for their support and he pledged to do them and the Sinn Féin party proud.

On behalf of the Fianna Fáil party Cllr. N. Kelleher congratulated Cllr. Barry on his co-option and wished him well for the future. He represented Listowel with great distinction in the past and he looked forward to working with him. Cllr. Kelleher also acknowledged the excellent work of Dianne Nolan who was extremely diligent and he acknowledged her excellent contribution to her constituents and to Kerry County Council and he wished her well in her new career.

Cllr. D. Grady acknowledged the work of Dianne Nolan who was very capable and he wished her well for the future. He also welcomed Cllr. Barry to the Chamber and wished him well for the future.

On behalf of the Fine Gael party Cllr. J. Finucane welcomed Cllr. Barry to the Chamber and added that members are aware of his contribution to Listowel Town Council and the people of Listowel. He wished Dianne Nolan every success and added that she made a positive contribution both in the Council Chamber and at SPC meetings.

On his own behalf and on behalf of Cllr. Spring, Cllr. T. O'Brien extended a warm welcome to Cllr. Barry and added that they looked forward to working with him. He also commended Dianne Nolan who was very well researched and did her best for her constituents.

Cllr. D. McCarthy wished Dianne Nolan success in her new role in Kilkenny and he welcomed Cllr. Barry to Kerry County Council and wished him the best for the future.

Cllr. J. Healy-Rae advised he wished to be associated with the tributes to Dianne Nolan and referred to her intelligence. He wished her well for the future. He also wished Cllr. Barry well in his role.

Cllr. B. Cronin congratulated Cllr. Barry on his co-option and welcomed him to Kerry County Council. His experience on Listowel Town Council will be very beneficial to him. Cllr. Cronin also wished Dianne Nolan, who was articulate and made contributions which mattered, every success for the future.

Cllr. S. Locke stated he wanted to be associated with the tributes to Dianne Nolan who was very articulate and never confrontational yet she was able to get her point across distinctly. Cllr. Locke wished Cllr. Barry the best for the future.

Cllr. M. Gleeson welcomed Cllr. Barry to Kerry County Council and added that he was confident he would work with all members for the betterment of the county.

Cllr. M. Kennelly welcomed Cllr. Barry to Kerry County Council and he wished him well for the future. He also paid tribute to Dianne Nolan for her work on Kerry County Council on behalf of her constituents and he wished her well for the future.

Cllr. J. Moloney welcomed Cllr. Barry to the Chamber and added they worked well together on Listowel Town Council in the past. He had no doubt that they would continue to work together for the betterment of the people of North Kerry. He also paid tribute to Dianne Nolan for her work on Kerry County Council.

The Cathaoirleach welcomed Cllr. Barry to the Chamber and wished him every success. He also wished Dianne Nolan well for the future.

On behalf of Management and staff the Chief Executive wished Cllr. Barry well and added that she looked forward to working with him. She also wished Dianne Nolan well for the future.

#### **17.10.23.02 Filling of Casual Vacancies on Boards/Committees**

- (a) On the PROPOSAL of Cllr. N. Foley, SECONDED by Cllr. P. Daly it was agreed to nominate Cllr. N. Kelleher to Kerry Education and Training Board to replace Dianne Nolan.
- (b) On the PROPOSAL of Cllr. P. Daly, SECONDED by Cllr. T. Ferris it was agreed to nominate Cllr. T. Barry to the JPC to replace Dianne Nolan.
- (c) On the PROPOSAL of Cllr. T. Ferris, SECONDED by Cllr. N. Foley it was agreed to nominate Cllr. T. Barry to the Economic Development and Enterprise SPC to replace Dianne Nolan.

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Cllr. T. Ferris asked that Dianne Nolan would be invited to the December Council Meeting so that members could pay tribute to her. She also asked that a minute's silence would be observed in memory of the late (*Name withheld for data protection purposes. A paper copy of the unedited minutes is available on request*) who was died on the street in Tralee the previous day. Cllr. Ferris congratulated the Chief Executive and Director of Operations on their trojan work during the two storms over the past week.

The Cathaoirleach commended all the services involved during storm Ophelia the previous Monday. The previous weekend he attended the Kerry London Association Annual Dinner which was very successful. While there he visited Danny Tim O'Sullivan in hospital, who is in good form and he hopes to be allowed home for Christmas. The Cathaoirleach referred to the deferred October Council meeting which was scheduled to be held the day storm Ophelia hit Ireland and as a result it had to be postponed. He asked members to agree a revised date for the October meeting.

Cllr. M. Gleeson suggested that the October meeting should be combined with the November meeting.

Cllr. J. Finucane highlighted that a number of meetings are scheduled to be held over the coming weeks including the Budget meeting and for this reason he PROPOSED that the October meeting would be held in conjunction with the November meeting.

Cllr. N. Foley SECONDED this proposal and it was unanimously agreed.

A discussion then took place on the number of Notices of Motions each member would be permitted for the November meeting having regard to the cancelled October Council meeting and the number of Notices of Motions outstanding. On the PROPOSAL of Cllr. D. Quigg, SECONDED by Cllr. B. Cronin it was agreed that members would be permitted one additional motion only for the November meeting and it was further agreed that only the proposer of a motion would be permitted to speak.

A minute's silence was then observed in memory of the late Michael Rice.

The meeting concluded at 2.05pm.

**Liam Quinlan**  
**Meetings Administrator**

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**Cathaoirleach of Kerry County Council**

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