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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SOUTH & WEST KERRY HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, ÁRAS AN CONTAE, TRALEE ON MONDAY 25th JUNE 2018.

MIONTUAIRISCÍ AN CRUINNIÚ BLIANTIÚIL DE CHEANTAR BARDASACH CHIARRAÍ THÍAR AGUS THEAS A THIONÓLADH I SEOMRA NA COMHAIRLE, ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, TRÁ LÍ, AR AN LUAN 25 MEITHEAMH, 2018.

PRESENT/I LÁTHAIR

Councillors/Comhairleoirí

**Cllr. M. Cahill
Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen
Cllr. S. Fitzgerald
Cllr. J. Healy-Rae
Cllr. D. McCarthy
Cllr. N. Moriarty
Cllr. M. O' Shea
Cllr D. Quigg**

ABSENT

Cllr. J. F. Flynn.

IN ATTENDANCE/I LÁTHAIR

Mr. M. O' Donoghue	Delegated Executive for South and West Kerry MD
Mr. C. O' Connor	D.O.S. Corporate Services
Ms. B. Conway	Meetings Administrator.
Mr. P. Teahan	Municipal District Engineer
Ms. C. Fitzgerald	A.S.O Corporate Affairs

The meeting commenced at 11.15am.

Cllr. M. O'Shea proposed a vote of sympathy to the family of the late Mr. Michael Dennehy. He stated that Mr. Dennehy who was an employee of Kerry County Council was a very well respected man throughout the community and the news of his death was received with great sadness. He particularly wanted to offer his condolences to Mr. Dennehy's wife Noreen and his three children, Donal, Michael and Jack. All members wished to be associated with Cllr. M. O'Shea's comments.

The outgoing Cathaoirleach S. Fitzgerald thanked the members for their co-operation throughout the year and the goodwill they showed to him. In addition, he thanked the staff of Kerry County Council and in particular Mr. M. O'Shea.

Donoghue for his assistance. He stated that a substantial programme of works has been achieved in the past year and is confident that this level of work will continue within the Municipal District.

Mr. M. O'Donoghue congratulated the Cathaoirleach on a very successful term and thanked him for his cooperation and courtesy throughout the year.

Cllr. M O'Shea commended the Cathaoirleach on a very successful year.

Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen congratulated the Cathaoirleach and stated that he was always a very fair and hard working Cathaoirleach and showed the upmost respect to all his colleagues.

Cllr. J. Healy-Rae commended the Cathaoirleach on his reign and wished him the best for the future.

Cllr. D. McCarthy congratulated the outgoing Cathaoirleach and wished to be associated with the comments expressed by the previous speakers.

Cllr. D. Quigg commended the Cathaoirleach on a very successful year.

Cllr. N Moriarty congratulated the Cathaoirleach on a very successful year and thanked him for his generosity shown to her in her role as Leas-Cathaoirleach.

Cllr. M. Cahill wished to be associated with kind words expressed by the previous speakers.

18.06.25.01 Election of Cathaoirleach

Cllr. M. O'Shea proposed Cllr. N. Moriarty to be elected Cathaoirleach. He stated that Cllr. N. Moriarty is an exceptional councillor who works tirelessly for her constituency.

Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen seconded the Proposal.

Ms. B Conway stated as no further proposals were made, she deemed Cllr. N. Moriarty to be elected Cathaoirleach.

Cllr. N Moriarty thanked her proposer and seconder. She stated that when she was first elected as a councillor in the South & West Municipal District it was a time of uncertainty for LEADER funding but in recent years, substantial progress has been made. She stated that she was very conscious that the members are facing a busy year with the upcoming Local Elections in 2019. She referred to a number of issues ongoing in the South & West Municipal District such as the development of the South Kerry Greenway and the provision to secure funding for the Valentia Island Ferry service. She acknowledged that her election as Cathaoirleach has coincided with the 100 year anniversary of the Suffragettes movement who advocated for the rights for women to vote in elections. She stated that it is an honour to be the first female Cathaoirleach of the South & West Municipal District, but wanted to acknowledge her predecessors, Ms. Mary O'Donoghue and Gonnait Ní

Bhrúadair who set up a hospital in Castlecove in 1903. In conclusion the incoming Cathaoirleach stated that she will push forward with Economic & Sustainable Development to ensure a robust Economy within the county.

Mr. M. O'Donoghue congratulated Cllr. N. Moriarty on her election as Cathaoirleach and assured her of the support of the management and staff of Kerry County Council for the year ahead.

18.06.25.02 Election of Leas Cathaoirleach

Cllr. S. Fitzgerald PROPOSED that Cllr M. O'Shea be elected Leas Cathaoirleach.

Cllr. P. Connor-Scarreen SECONDED this proposal.

Cllr. M. Cahill PROPOSED that Cllr D. McCarthy be elected Leas Cathaoirleach.

Cllr. D. Quigg SECONDED this proposal.

A vote was taken which resulted in the following.

For Cllr. D. McCarthy: Cllrs. Cahill, Healy-Rae, McCarthy, Quigg (4)

For Cllr. M. O' Shea: Cllrs. Fitzgerald, Connor-Scarreen, O'Shea, Moriarty. (4)

Not Voting: None (0)

It was agreed that lots would be drawn to determine the outcome of the tie. Following the drawing of lots, the Cathaoirleach Cllr N. Moriarty declared that Cllr. D. McCarthy was elected as Leas-Cathaoirleach.

Mr. M O'Donoghue congratulated both the newly elected Cathaoirleach and Leas-Cathaoirleach and wished them well for the year ahead.

A.O.B.

Date for July South & West Municipal District meeting.

Mr. M. O. Donoghue advised the members that the next meeting of the members of the Municipal District of South & West Kerry which is scheduled for 06th July, will coincide with Minister Eoghan Murphy's visit to the county. A discussion took place regarding this matter and it was agreed that if it is necessary to reschedule the meeting, it will be held on Friday 13th July.

The meeting concluded at 11.30a.m.

Brenda Conway

Meetings Administrator

**Cathaoirleach of South &
West Kerry Municipal
District**