

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF PORTLAOISE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup> 2021**

**PRESENT** Ms. Thomasina Connell, M.C.C. In the Chair  
Ms. Mary Sweeney, M.C.C.  
Ms. Catherine Fitzgerald, M.C.C.  
Ms. Caroline Dwane Stanley, M.C.C.  
Mr. John Joe Fennelly, M.C.C.  
Mr. William Aird, M.C.C.  
Mr. Noel Tuohy, M.C.C.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Simon Walton, Director of Services  
Mr. Wes Wilkinson, Senior Executive Engineer  
Ms. Michelle McCormack, Staff Officer

Councillor Thomasina Connell, Cathaoirleach extended thanks to all her colleagues and officials for their support during her term of office as Cathaoirleach of the Portlaoise Municipal District.

**(1) Election of Chair**

Councillor Thomasina Connell proposed Councillor Mary Sweeney to be elected Cathaoirleach of the Portlaoise Municipal District. This Motion was seconded by Councillor Willie Aird.

Councillor Caroline Dwane Stanley proposed Councillor Noel Tuohy to be elected Cathaoirleach of the Portlaoise Municipal District. This Motion was seconded by Councillor Noel Touhy.

A roll call vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

	Councillor Mary Sweeney	Councillor Noel Tuohy
Councillor Aird	✓	
Councillor Connell	✓	
Councillor Dwane Stanley		✓
Councillor Fennelly	✓	
Councillor Fitzgerald	✓	
Councillor Sweeney	✓	

Councillor Tuohy		✓
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The result of the roll call was 5 votes in favour of Councillor Sweeney and 2 votes in favour of Councillor Tuohy. Councillor Mary Sweeney was deemed elected Cathaoirleach of the Portlaoise Municipal District for the coming year. Councillor Sweeney thanked her proposer and seconder and all her colleagues and paid tribute to the former Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District, Councillor Thomasina Connell. Mr. Simon Walton, Director of Services wished Councillor Mary Sweeney well on her election and paid tribute to Councillor Connell on her term as Cathaoirleach.

**(2) Election of Leas Chathaoirleach**

Councillor Cathairne Fitzgerald proposed Councillor John Joe Fennelly to be elected Leas-Chathaoirleach of the Portlaoise MD . This Motion was seconded by Councillor Willie Aird.

Councillor Noel Tuohy proposed Councillor Caroline Dwane Stanley to be elected Leas-Chathaoirleach. This Motion was seconded by Caroline Dwane Stanley.

A roll call vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

	Councillor John Joe Fennelly	Councillor Caroline Dwane Stanley
Councillor Aird	✓	
Councillor Connell	✓	
Councillor Dwane Stanley		✓
Councillor Fennelly	✓	
Councillor Fitzgerald	✓	
Councillor Sweeney	✓	
Councillor Tuohy		✓

The result of the roll call was 5 votes in favour of Councillor Fennelly and 2 votes in favour of Councillor Caroline Dwane Stanley. Councillor Fennelly was deemed elected Leas-Chathaoirleach of the Portlaoise Municipal District for the coming year.

Councillor John Joe Fennelly, having been elected Leas-Chathaoirleach thanked his proposer and all his colleagues.

**(2) Agree Schedule of Meetings**

The Members were circulated with a schedule of meetings for the next twelve months up to June 2021 which was agreed.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mary Sweeney, M.C.C. Cathaoirleach.**