

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF PORTLAOISE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 26TH OF JUNE 2024 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, PORTLAOISE AND BY MICROSOFT TEAMS

PRESENT Ms. Catherine Fitzgerald, Cathaoirleach (In the Chair)
Ms. Caroline Dwane Stanley, M.C.C.
Ms. Marie Tuohy, M.C.C.
Mr. Willie Aird, M.C.C.
Mr. Barry Walsh, M.C.C.
Mr. Tommy Mulligan, M.C.C.
Mr. John Joe Fennelly, M.C.C.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Paul McLoughlin, A/Director of Services
Mr. Wes Wilkinson, Senior Executive Engineer
Ms. Michelle McCormack, Staff Officer

(1) Election of Chair

Councillor Barry Walsh proposed Councillor Willie Aird to be elected Cathaoirleach of the Portlaoise Municipal District. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Catherine Fitzgerald.

Councillor Tommy Mulligan proposed Councillor Caroline Dwane Stanley to be elected Cathaoirleach of the Portlaoise Municipal District. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Marie Tuohy.

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

	Councillor Willie Aird	Councillor Tommy Mulligan
Councillor Aird	✓	
Councillor Dwane Stanley		✓
Councillor Fennelly	✓	
Councillor Fitzgerald	✓	
Councillor Mulligan		✓
Councillor Tuohy		✓
Councillor Walsh	✓	

The result of the roll call was 4 votes in favour of Councillor Aird and 3 votes in favour of Councillor Mulligan. Councillor Willie Aird having been elected thanked his proposer and seconder and all his colleagues and paid tribute to the former Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District, Councillor Catherine Fitzgerald.

(2) Election of Leas Chathaoirleach

Councillor John Joe Fennelly proposed Councillor Catherine Fitzgerald to be elected Leas Chathaoirleach of the Portlaoise Municipal District. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Willie Aird.

Councillor Caroline Dwane Stanley proposed Councillor Tommy Mulligan to be elected Leas Chathaoirleach of the Portlaoise Municipal District. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Marie Tuohy.

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

	Councillor Catherine Fitzgerald	Councillor Tommy Mulligan
Councillor Aird	✓	
Councillor Dwane Stanley		✓
Councillor Fennelly	✓	
Councillor Fitzgerald	✓	
Councillor Mulligan		✓
Councillor Tuohy		✓
Councillor Walsh	✓	

The result of the roll call was 4 votes in favour of Councillor Fitzgerald and 3 votes in favour of Councillor Mulligan.

(3) Agree Schedule of Meetings

On the proposition of Councillor Catherine Fitzgerald seconded by Councillor Willie Aird, the schedule of meetings for the remainder of 2024 was agreed and was issued to the Members. It was noted that the next meeting would take place on the 11th of September 2024 at 11.00 a.m.

(4) Homecoming for the Laois Senior Footballers on the 13th of July 2024

Councillor Tommy Mulligan enquired as to the possibility of according a Homecoming for the Laois Senior footballers after the Tailteann Cup final on the 13th of July 2024. It was agreed to have the matter checked.

Signed: _____

Willie Aird, M.C.C., Cathaoirleach