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Annual Meeting 8th June 2015, Council Chamber

An Cathaoirleach, Councillor Jim Holloway, presided.

Members Present:

Councillors, Joe Bonner, Sinéad Burke, Shane Cassells, Eugene Cassidy, Francis Deane, Seán Drew, Eimear Ferguson, Brian Fitzgerald, Enda Flynn, Wayne Forde, Joe Fox, Noel French, Michael Gallagher, David Gilroy, Trevor Golden, Johnny Guirke, Wayne Harding, Suzanne Jamal, Tom Kelly, Sharon Keogan, Nick Killian, Caroline Lynch, Stephen McKee, Ronan McKenna, Paddy Meade, Maria Murphy, Gerry O'Connor, Claire O'Driscoll, Maria O' Kane, Damien O'Reilly, Darren O'Rourke, Bryan Reilly, Joe Reilly, Sarah Reilly, Tommy Reilly, Seán Smith, Alan Tobin, Sharon Tolan, Gillian Toole.

Apologies:

Officials in Attendance:

Chief Executive: Jackie Maguire

Directors of Service: Kevin Stewart, Fiona Lawless, Des Foley, A/John McGrath

Meetings' Administrator: Olive Falsey

Senior Executive Officers: Ger Murphy, David Jones, Michael Griffin, Dara McGowan, Larry Whelan

1.0 Election of Cathaoirleach

The Cathaoirleach, **Councillor Jim Holloway** opened the meeting and reflected on his year as Cathaoirleach. He made reference to the many opportunities that the role presented, including the interaction with the people of Meath and the opportunity to sell the county both in Ireland and abroad. He highlighted the achievements and success stories of the past year, particularly the delivery of a new Economic Strategy for Meath. He acknowledged the work of the Council on the delivery of quality services within the new structures. He thanked the Chief Executive, and all the officials for their assistance and generosity throughout the year. He thanked fellow Councillors and Leas Chathaoirleach, Trevor Golden, for their support and cooperation. The Councillors and the Chief Executive acknowledged the commitment of Councillor Holloway to his role as Cathaoirleach and the professional manner in which he had carried out the functions of the position.

Councillor Brian Fitzgerald was proposed for the position of Cathaoirleach by **Councillor Nick Killian** seconded by **Councillor Francis Deane**.



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Councillor Seán Drew was proposed for the position of Cathaoirleach by **Councillor Shane Cassells** and seconded by **Councillor Wayne Harding**.

Councillor Eimear Ferguson was proposed for the position of Cathaoirleach by **Councillor Darren O' Rourke** and seconded by **Councillor Michael Gallagher**.

Councillor Joe Bonner was proposed for the position of Cathaoirleach by **Councillor Joe Bonner** and seconded by **Councillor Michael Gallagher**

A roll call vote was taken with the following result:

Councillor	Vote	
Cllr. Joseph Bonner	Cllr. Joe Bonner	
Cllr Sinead Burke	Cllr. Eimear Ferguson	
Cllr. Shane Cassells	Cllr. Sean Drew	
Cllr. Eugene Cassidy	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Francis Deane	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr Sean Drew	Cllr. Seán Drew	
Cllr. Eimear Ferguson	Cllr. Eimear Ferguson	
Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Enda Flynn	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Wayne Forde	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Joe Fox	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Noel French	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Michael Gallagher	Cllr. Eimear Ferguson	
Cllr. David Gilroy	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Trevor Golden	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Johnny Guirke	Cllr. Eimear Ferguson	
Cllr. Wayne Harding	Cllr. Seán Drew	
Cllr. James Holloway	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Tom Kelly	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Sharon Keogan	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Nick Killian	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Caroline Lynch	Cllr. Eimear Ferguson	
Cllr. Stephen McKee	Cllr. Seán Drew	
Cllr. Ronan McKenna	Cllr. Seán Drew	
Cllr. Paddy Meade	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Maria Murphy	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Claire O' Driscoll	Cllr. Seán Drew	
Cllr. Maria O' Kane	Cllr. Eimear Ferguson	
Cllr. Damien O' Reilly		Absent



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Cllr. Darren O' Rourke	Cllr. Eimear Ferguson	
Cllr. Bryan Reilly	Cllr. Seán Drew	
Cllr. Joe Reilly	Cllr. Eimear Ferguson	
Cllr. Sarah Reilly	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Tommy Reilly		Absent
Cllr. Sean Smith	Cllr. Seán Drew	
Cllr. Alan Tobin	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Sharon Tolan	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	
Cllr. Gillian Toole	Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	

Result: Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald – 21, Cllr. Seán Drew – 8, Cllr. Eimear Ferguson – 8, Cllr. Bonner – 1, Absent – 2

Councillor Brian Fitzgerald was declared elected Cathaoirleach and assumed the Chair.

Cllr. Fitzgerald addressed the meeting and stated that he looked forward to working with his fellow Councillors, the Chief Executive and the Management Team. He said that he looked forward to continuing to promote and develop County Meath as a preferred businesses location and a place where people would choose to live.

2.0 Election of Leas Chathaoirleach

Councillor Joe Fox was proposed for the position of Leas Chathaoirleach on the proposal of **Councillor Eugene Cassidy** and seconded by **Councillor Gerry O' Connor**.

Councillor Claire O' Driscoll was proposed for the position of Leas Chathaoirleach on the proposal of **Councillor Wayne Harding** and seconded by **Councillor Seán Smith**.

Councillor Maria O' Kane was proposed for the position of Leas Chathaoirleach on the proposal of **Councillor Caroline Lynch** and seconded by **Councillor Eimear Ferguson**.

Councillor Joe Bonner was proposed for the position of Cathaoirleach by **Councillor Joe Bonner** and seconded by **Councillor Michael Gallagher**.

A roll call vote was taken with the following result:

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Cllr. Joseph Bonner	Cllr. Joe Bonner	
Cllr Sinead Burke	Cllr. Maria O' Kane	
Cllr. Shane Cassells	Cllr. Claire O' Driscoll	
Cllr. Eugene Cassidy	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Francis Deane	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr Sean Drew	Cllr. Claire O' Driscoll	
Cllr. Eimear Ferguson	Cllr. Maria O' Kane	
Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Enda Flynn	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Wayne Forde	Cllr. Claire O' Driscoll	
Cllr. Joe Fox	Cllr. Joe Fox	



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Cllr. Noel French	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Michael Gallagher	Cllr. Maria O' Kane	
Cllr. David Gilroy	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Trevor Golden	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Johnny Guirke	Cllr. Maria O' Kane	
Cllr. Wayne Harding	Cllr. Claire O' Driscoll	
Cllr. James Holloway	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Tom Kelly	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Sharon Keogan	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Nick Killian	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Caroline Lynch	Cllr. Maria O' Kane	
Cllr. Stephen McKee	Cllr. Claire O' Driscoll	
Cllr. Ronan McKenna	Cllr. Claire O' Driscoll	
Cllr. Paddy Meade	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Maria Murphy	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Claire O' Driscoll	Cllr. Claire O' Driscoll	
Cllr. Maria O' Kane	Cllr. Maria O' Kane	
Cllr. Damien O' Reilly	Cllr. Claire O' Driscoll	
Cllr. Darren O' Rourke	Cllr. Maria O' Kane	
Cllr. Bryan Reilly	Cllr. Claire O' Driscoll	
Cllr. Joe Reilly	Cllr. Maria O' Kane	
Cllr. Sarah Reilly	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Tommy Reilly		Absent
Cllr. Sean Smith	Cllr. Claire O' Driscoll	
Cllr. Alan Tobin	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Sharon Tolan	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Gillian Toole	Cllr. Joe Fox	

Result: Councillor Joe Fox – 20, Councillor Claire O' Driscoll – 10, Councillor Maria O' Kane – 8

Councillor Joe Bonner – 1, Absent – 1

Councillor Joe Fox was declared elected Leas Chathaoirleach. He addressed the meeting and thanked fellow Councillors for their support. He outlined that he shared the Cathaoirleach's enthusiasm for promoting economic development and that his focus would be on making Meath a better place to live and to do business.



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3.0 Agree Schedule of Meetings

3.1 Proposed schedule

Date:	Type;
July 6 th 2015	Ordinary
September 7 th 2015	Ordinary
October 5 th 2015	Ordinary
November 2 nd 2015	Ordinary
December 7 th 2015	Ordinary
*January 11 th 2016	Ordinary
February 1 st 2016	Ordinary
March 7 th 2016	Ordinary
April 4 th 2016	Ordinary
*May 9 th 2016	Ordinary
*June 13 th 2016	Annual & Ordinary

*January Meeting – 11th due to Christmas/New Year Break

*May Meeting – 9th due to Bank holiday on the 2nd

*June Meeting – 13th due to Bank holiday on the 6th

Agreed on the proposal of **Councillor Tom Kelly** and seconded by **Councillor Nick Killian**.

This concluded the business of the meeting.