



## ***Miontuairiscí / Meeting Minutes***

### ***Special Meeting***

***14<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 Council Chamber***

#### **Presiding:**

Leas Chathaoirleach, Councillor Joe Fox

#### **Councillors Present:**

Councillors, Sinéad Burke, Eugene Cassidy, Francis Deane, Noel French, David Gilroy, Wayne Harding, Jim Holloway, Suzanne Jamal, Tom Kelly, Sharon Keogan, Ronan McKenna, Paddy Meade, Maria Murphy, Gerry O'Connor, Claire O' Driscoll, Maria O' Kane, Damien O' Reilly, Darren O' Rourke, Bryan Reilly, Tommy Reilly, Seán Smith

**Apologies:** Councillors Joe Bonner, Seán Drew, Eimear Ferguson, Brian Fitzgerald, Enda Flynn, Wayne Forde, Michael Gallagher, Trevor Golden, Johnny Guirke, Nick Killian, Caroline Lynch, Stephen McKee, Joe Reilly, Sarah Reilly, Alan Tobin, Sharon Tolan, Gillian Toole

#### **Officials in attendance:**

**A/Chief Executive:** Kevin Stewart

#### **Directors of Service:**

**Meetings' Administrator:** Olive Falsey

- 1 To fill the casual vacancy (1 No.), following the election of former Councillor Shane Cassells to Dáil Éireann, in the Membership of Meath County Council, in accordance with Section 19 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended.**

Leas Chathaoirleach, Councillor Joe Fox opened the meeting and informed that the purpose of the Special Meeting was to fill one casual vacancy in the Membership of Meath County Council created by the election of Councillor Shane Cassells to Dáil Éireann on 27<sup>th</sup> February.

It was noted that the vacancy would be filled by co-option in accordance with the provisions of Section 19 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended, with due notice having been given in accordance with the Act.

The co-option was then taken and **Councillor Ronan McKenna** proposed Pdraig Fitzsimons to be co-opted to the membership of Meath County Council, seconded by **Councillor Tommy Reilly**.



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The Leas Chathaoirleach confirmed to the meeting that Mr. Padraig Fitzsimons having given consent in writing to his nomination would fill the casual vacancy created by former Councillor, Shane Cassells.

Councillor Fitzsimons then took his seat in the Chamber and was warmly welcomed by the Leas Chathaoirleach and all Councillors present.

Councillor Fitzsimons, in response, thanked everyone for their good wishes and noted that he looked forward to working with his fellow Councillors both at Navan Municipal District level and as a member of the full Council.

This concluded the business of the meeting.