



Miontuairiscí / Meeting Minutes

Annual Meeting

7 June, 2019, Council Chamber

Councillors Present:

Councillors Yemi Adenuga, Tom Behan, Joe Bonner, Mike Bray, Eugene Cassidy, Francis Deane, Aisling Dempsey, Seán Drew, Eddie Fennesy, Brian Fitzgerald, Pdraig Fitzsimons, Joe Fox, Noel French, Deirdre Geraghty-Smith, David Gilroy, Trevor Golden, Johnny Guirke, Wayne Harding, Annie Hoey, Suzanne Jamal, Sharon Keogan, Nick Killian, Alan Lawes, Paul McCabe, Stephen McKee, Paddy Meade, Ronan Moore, Maria Murphy, Gerry O'Connor, Damien O' Reilly, Darren O' Rourke, Sarah Reilly, Tommy Reilly, Niamh Souhan, Alan Tobin, Emer Tóibín, Sharon Tolan, Gillian Toole, Conor Tormey.

Officials in attendance:

County Manager: Jackie Maguire

Directors of Service: Des Foley, Fiona Lawless, Barry Lynch, Kevin Stewart

Meetings Administrator: Robert Collins

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

The Chief Executive, Jackie Maguire, welcomed Councillors to the first meeting of the new Council following the local election and provided an overview of the agenda.

- 1.0** To receive return of persons elected to Meath County Council at the Local Elections held 24 May, 2019.

Des Foley, Director of Services and Returning Officer for the Local Elections 2019 read out the return of persons elected to Meath County Council to represent each of the six Municipal Districts in County Meath as follows:



Elected Councillors for Ashbourne Local Electoral Area

Joe Bonner – Non Party

Alan Tobin – Fine Gael

Suzanne Jamal – Fine Gael

Sharon Keogan – Non-Party

Conor Tormey – Fianna Fáil

Darren O' Rourke – Sinn Féin

Elected Councillors for Kells Local Electoral Area

Seán Drew - Fianna Fáil

Sarah Reilly – Fine Gael

Johnny Guirke - Sinn Féin

Eugene Cassidy – Fine Gael

Paul McCabe – Fianna Fáil

David Gilroy – Non Party

Mike Bray – Fianna Fáil

Elected Councillors for Laytown/Bettystown Local Electoral Area

Sharon Keogan – Non Party

Sharon Tolan - Fine Gael

Paddy Meade – Fine Gael

Annie Hoey – The Labour Party

Stephen McKee – Fianna Fáil

Wayne Harding – Fianna Fáil

Tom Behan – Fianna Fáil

Elected Councillors for Navan Local Electoral Area

Tommy Reilly - Fianna Fáil



Emer Tóibín – Aontú

Francis Deane – Non Party

Eddie Fennessy – Sinn Féin

Padraig Fitzsimons – Fianna Fáil

Yemi Adenuga – Fine Gael

Alan Lawes – Non Party

Elected Councillors for Ratoath Local Electoral Area

Damien O' Reilly – Fianna Fáil

Gillian Toole – Non-Party

Brian Fitzgerald – Non Party

Nick Killian – Non Party

Maria Murphy – Fine Gael

Gerry O' Connor – Fine Gael

Deirdre Geraghty-Smith – Fianna Fáil

Elected Councillors for Trim Local Electoral Area

Noel French – Fine Gael

Joe Fox – Fine Gael

Aisling Dempsey – Fianna Fáil

Niamh Souhan – Fine Gael

Ronan Moore – Social Democrats

Trevor Golden – Non Party

It was noted that, following the taking of the poll in the Local Elections, on 24th May, 2019, Sharon Keogan was elected as a member of Meath County Council in two local electoral areas, namely, Laytown/Bettystown and Ashbourne LEAs.

On 30th May, 2019, and in accordance with Article 124 (1) of the Local Election Regulations 1995, Sharon Keogan gave notice that she had chosen to represent the Laytown-Bettystown Local Electoral Area.



It was noted that, In accordance with Article 124 (2) of the Local Election Regulations 1995, Sharon Keogan is now therefore deemed not to have been elected for the Ashbourne Local Electoral Area. The consequential vacancy is now regarded as a casual vacancy occurring on the day the newly elected members come into office i.e. 31st May, 2019.

In accordance with the relevant legislation, this casual vacancy cannot be filled until after the expiration of 14 days after the 31st May.

It is therefore intended to fill the casual vacancy at the meeting of the full Council on 1st July, 2019. It was noted that a person cannot be proposed at a meeting of the full Council on 1st July without his or her prior written consent.

2.0 Election of Cathaoirleach

The Meetings Administrator invited nominations for the position of Cathaoirleach.

Councillor Wayne Harding was proposed for the position by **Councillor Tommy Reilly** and seconded by **Councillor Seán Drew**.

Councillor Noel French was proposed for the position by **Councillor Gerry O' Connor** and seconded by **Councillor Alan Tobin**.

Councillor Joe Bonner was proposed for the position by **Councillor Joe Bonner** and seconded by **Councillor Eugene Cassidy**.

As there were three nominations for the position of Cathaoirleach a roll call vote was taken as follows:

Councillor	Vote	
Cllr. Yemi Adenuga	Cllr. Noel French	
Cllr. Tom Behan	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Joseph Bonner	Cllr. Joe Bonner	
Cllr. Mike Bray	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Eugene Cassidy	Cllr. Noel French	
Cllr. Francis Deane	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Aisling Dempsey	Cllr. Wayne Harding	



Cllr Sean Drew	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Eddie Fennessy	Cllr. Joe Bonner	
Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Pdraig Fitzsimons	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Joe Fox	Cllr. Noel French	
Cllr. Noel French	Cllr. Noel French	
Cllr. Deirdre Geraghty- Smith	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. David Gilroy	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Trevor Golden	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Johnny Guirke	Cllr. Joe Bonner	
Cllr. Wayne Harding	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Annie Hoey	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	Cllr. Noel French	
Cllr. Sharon Keogan	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Nick Killian	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Alan Lawes	Cllr. Joe Bonner	
Cllr. Paul McCabe	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Stephen McKee	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Paddy Meade	Cllr. Noel French	
Cllr. Ronan Moore		Abstain
Cllr. Maria Murphy	Cllr. Noel French	
Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	Cllr. Noel French	
Cllr. Damien O' Reilly	Cllr. Wayne Harding	



Cllr. Darren O' Rourke	Cllr. Joe Bonner	
Cllr. Sarah Reilly	Cllr. Noel French	
Cllr. Tommy Reilly	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Niamh Souhan	Cllr. Noel French	
Cllr. Alan Tobin	Cllr. Noel French	
Cllr. Emer Tóibín	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Sharon Tolan	Cllr. Noel French	
Cllr. Gillian Toole	Cllr. Wayne Harding	
Cllr. Conor Tormey	Cllr. Wayne Harding	

Result: Cllr. Wayne Harding = 21 votes, Cllr. Noel French = 12 votes, Cllr. Joe Bonner = 5 votes, Abstention = 1

Councillor Wayne Harding was declared elected Cathaoirleach of Meath County Council.

The Cathaoirleach addressed the meeting and congratulated all the new Councillors on being elected to Meath County Council and thanked the Councillors who proposed him for the position of Cathaoirleach. He informed the meeting that he looked forward to working with fellow Councillors and the management and staff to provide excellent services to the people of County Meath with an emphasis on intellectual disability services, the progression of the Slane bypass, the development of the Boyne Greenway and housing services.

The Chief Executive and Councillors offered their congratulation to the newly elected Cathaoirleach and wished him every success in the position.

3.0 Election of Leas Chathaoirleach

The Cathaoirleach invited nominations for the position of Leas Chathaoirleach.

Councillor Gillian Toole was proposed for the position by **Councillor Brian Fitzgerald** and seconded by **Councillor Trevor Golden**.

Councillor Joe Fox was proposed for the position by **Councillor Gerry O' Connor** and seconded by **Councillor Maria Murphy**.

Councillor Joe Bonner was proposed for the position by **Councillor Joe Bonner** and seconded by **Councillor Eugene Cassidy**.



As there were three nominations for the position of Leas Chathaoirleach a roll call vote was taken as follows:

Councillor	Vote	
Cllr. Yemi Adenuga	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Tom Behan	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Joseph Bonner	Cllr. Joe Bonner	
Cllr. Mike Bray	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Eugene Cassidy	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Francis Deane	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Aisling Dempsey	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr Sean Drew	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Eddie Fennessy	Cllr. Joe Bonner	
Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Pdraig Fitzsimons	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Joe Fox	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Noel French	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Deirdre Geraghty- Smith	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. David Gilroy	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Trevor Golden	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Johnny Guirke	Cllr. Joe Bonner	
Cllr. Wayne Harding	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Annie Hoey	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	Cllr. Joe Fox	



Cllr. Sharon Keogan	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Nick Killian	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Alan Lawes	Cllr. Joe Bonner	
Cllr. Paul McCabe	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Stephen McKee	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Paddy Meade	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Ronan Moore		Abstain
Cllr. Maria Murphy	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Damien O' Reilly	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Darren O' Rourke	Cllr. Joe Bonner	
Cllr. Sarah Reilly	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Tommy Reilly	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Niamh Souhan	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Alan Tobin	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Emer Tóibín	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Sharon Tolan	Cllr. Joe Fox	
Cllr. Gillian Toole	Cllr. Gillian Toole	
Cllr. Conor Tormey	Cllr. Gillian Toole	

Result: Cllr. Gillian Toole = 21 votes, Cllr. Joe Fox = 12 votes, Cllr. Joe Bonner = 5 votes, Abstention = 1

Councillor Gillian Toole was declared elected as Leas Chathaoirleach of Meath County Council. Councillor Toole addressed the meeting and thanked the Councillors who proposed her for the position of Leas Chathaoirleach. She stated that she looked



forward to working with her fellow Councillors and carrying out the county motto 'strength in unity' in the role of Leas Chathaoirleach.

4.0 To agree the proposed dates for the first meetings of the six Municipal Districts:

Municipal District	Date and Time	Location
Navan	Tuesday, June 11, 10.00a.m.	Navan Civic Offices
Ratoath	Wednesday, June 12, 9.30a.m.	Dunshaughlin Civic Offices
Laytown/Bettystown	Thursday, June 13, 10.00a.m.	Duleek Civic Offices
Trim	Friday, June 14, 2.00p.m.	Trim Civic Offices
Ashbourne	Monday June 17, 10.00a.m.	Ashbourne Civic Offices
Kells	Monday, June 17, 4.00p.m.	Kells Civic Offices

The above proposed dates were unanimously agreed by the Councillors.

5.0 To consider the election, appointment or nomination of Councillors to Committees & Joint Bodies.

Statutory Committees:

5.1 Strategic Policy Committees:

5.1.1 Appointment of a Chairperson of Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise Support SPC.

Councillor Padraig Fitzsimons was appointed Chairperson of the Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise Support SPC on the proposal of Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Councillor Tommy Reilly.

5.1.2 Appointment of a Chairperson of Environmental SPC.

Councillor Eugene Cassidy was appointed Chairperson of the Environmental SPC on the proposal of Councillor Gerry O' Connor and seconded by Councillor Noel French.

5.1.3 Appointment of a Chairperson of Transportation SPC.

Councillor Trevor Golden was appointed Chairperson of the Transportation SPC on the proposal of Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor Sharon Keogan.



- 5.1.4 Appointment of a Chairperson of the Housing, Community and Cultural Development SPC.

Councillor Damien O' Reilly was appointed Chairperson of the Housing, Community and Cultural Development SPC on the proposal of Councillor Sean Drew and seconded by Councillor Pdraig Fitzsimons.

5.2 Other Statutory Committees

- 5.2.1 Appointment of three Councillors to the Local Community Development Committee (LCDC).

Councillor Gerry O' Connor informed of the forming of a group of thirteen Councillors to nominate **Councillor Yemi Adenuga** to the LCDC. and listed the group as follows: Councillors Yemi Adenuga, Eugene Cassidy, Joe Fox, Noel French, Suzanne Jamal, Paddy Meade, Ronan Moore, Maria Murphy, Gerry O' Connor, Sarah Reilly, Niamh Souhan, Alan Tobin, Sharon Tolan.

Councillors Annie Hoey and Mike Bray were nominated on the proposal of Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor Damien O' Reilly.

- 5.2.2 Appointment of 15 Councillors to the Joint Policing Committee

Councillor Gerry O' Connor informed of the forming of 4 groups as follows:

Group 1: Cllrs. Maria Murphy, Sarah Reilly, and Niamh Souhan to appoint **Councillor Maria Murphy**.

Group 2: Cllrs. Noel French, Paddy Meade, Alan Tobin to appoint **Councillor Noel French**.

Group 3: Cllrs. Yemi Adenuga, Sharon Tolan, Suzanne Jamal to appoint **Councillor Yemi Adenuga**.

Group 4: Cllrs. Alan Tobin, Joe Fox, Gerry O' Connor to appoint **Councillor Alan Tobin**.

Councillors. Deirdre Geraghty-Smith, Paul McCabe, Pdraig Fitzsimons, Tom Behan were proposed on behalf of the Fianna Fáil group by Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Councillor Seán Drew.

Councillors. Gillian Toole, Francis Deane, Trevor Golden, David Gilroy were appointed on behalf of the Independent group by Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor Sharon Keogan.



Councillor Alan Lawes proposed himself for appointment to the JPC and and was seconded by Cllr. Eugene Cassidy.

Councillor Eddie Fennessy was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Darren O' Rourke and seconded by Councillor Johnny Guirke.

Councillor Darren O' Rourke was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Sharon Keogan and seconded by Councillor Trevor Golden.

5.2.3 Appointment of two Councillors to the Audit Committee

Councillor Seán Drew was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Councillor Tommy Reilly.

Councillor Gerry O' Connor was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Maria Murphy and seconded by Councillor Noel French.

5.2.4 Appointment of three Councillors to the Eastern and Midlands Regional Assembly

Councillor Gerry O' Connor informed of the forming of a group of thirteen Councillors to appoint **Councillor Paddy Meade** and listed the group as follows: Councillors Yemi Adenuga, Eugene Cassidy, Joe Fox, Noel French, Suzanne Jamal, Paddy Meade, Ronan Moore, Maria Murphy, Gerry O' Connor, Sarah Reilly, Niamh Souhan, Alan Tobin, Sharon Tolan.

Councillor Brian Fitzgerald was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Trevor Golden and seconded by Councillor Nick Killian.

Councillor Conor Tormey was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Councillor Pdraig Fitzsimons.

5.2.5 Appointment of seven Councillors to the Louth Meath Education and Training Board (LMETB)

Councillor Gerry O' Connor informed of the forming of two groups.

Group 1 to appoint **Councillor Maria Murphy**, and listed the group as follows: Councillors Yemi Adenuga, Niamh Souhan, Sarah Reilly, Maria Murphy, Paddy Meade, Suzanne Jamal.

Group 2 to appoint **Councillor Sharon Tolan**, and listed the group as follows: Gerry O' Connor, Joe Fox, Eugene Cassidy, Alan Tobin, Sharon Tolan, Noel French.



Councillors Nick Killian and Emer Tóibín were appointed on the proposal of Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor David Gilroy.

Councillors Wayne Harding, Damien O' Reilly and Deirdre Geraghty-Smith were appointed on the proposal of Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Councillor Seán Drew.

5.2.6 Appointment of one Councillor to the Regional Advisory Council, Teagasc.

Councillor Francis Deane was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor Trevor Golden.

5.2.7 Appointment of six Councillors, one from each Municipal District, to the Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee.

It was unanimously agreed that this item would be referred to the six Municipal Districts.

5.2.8 Appointment five Councillors, to the Regional Health Forum.

Councillor Gerry O' Connor informed of the forming of two groups.

Group 1 to appoint **Councillor Niamh Souhan**, and listed the group as follows: Councillors Yemi Adenuga, Niamh Souhan, Sarah Reilly, Maria Murphy, Sharon Tolan, Suzanne Jamal, Gerry O'Connor, Joe Fox.

Group 2 to appoint **Councillor Darren O' Rourke**, and listed the group as follows: Eugene Cassidy, Alan Tobin, Paddy Meade, Noel French, Eddie Fennessy, Darren O' Rourke, Johnny Guirke, Ronan Moore.

Councillor Gillian Toole and Councillor Emer Tóibín were appointed on the proposal of Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor Sharon Keogan.

Councillor Tom Behan was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Councillor Pdraig Fitzsimons.

5.3 Discretionary Committees

5.3.1 Appointment of three Councillors to the Association of Irish Local Government

Councillor Gerry O' Connor informed of the forming of a group of thirteen Councillors to appoint **Councillor Joe Fox** and listed the group as follows: Councillors Yemi Adenuga, Niamh Souhan, Sarah Reilly, Maria Murphy, Sharon Tolan, Suzanne Jamal, Gerry O'Connor, Joe Fox, Eugene Cassidy, Alan Tobin, Paddy Meade, Noel French, Ronan Moore.



Councillor Damien O'Reilly was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Seán Drew and seconded by Councillor Pdraig Fitzsimons.

Councillor Nick Killian was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor Sharon Keogan.

5.3.2 Appointment of one Councillor to Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd.

Councillor Gerry O' Connor was proposed by Councillor Eugene Cassidy and seconded by Councillor Joe Fox.

Councillor Tommy Reilly was proposed by Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Pdraig Fitzsimons.

Councillor Tommy Reilly was appointed to the position following a roll call vote as follows:

Councillor	Vote	
Cllr. Yemi Adenuga	Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	
Cllr. Tom Behan	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Joseph Bonner		Absent
Cllr. Mike Bray	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Eugene Cassidy	Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	
Cllr. Francis Deane	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Aisling Dempsey	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr Sean Drew	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Eddie Fennessy		Abstain
Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Pdraig Fitzsimons	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Joe Fox	Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	



Cllr. Noel French	Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	
Cllr. Deirdre Geraghty- Smith	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. David Gilroy	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Trevor Golden	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Johnny Guirke		Abstain
Cllr. Wayne Harding	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Annie Hoey	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	
Cllr. Sharon Keogan	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Nick Killian	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Alan Lawes		Abstain
Cllr. Paul McCabe	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Stephen McKee	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Paddy Meade	Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	
Cllr. Ronan Moore	Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	
Cllr. Maria Murphy	Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	
Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	
Cllr. Damien O' Reilly	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Darren O' Rourke		Abstain
Cllr. Sarah Reilly	Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	
Cllr. Tommy Reilly	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Niamh Souhan	Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	
Cllr. Alan Tobin	Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	



Cllr. Emer Tóibín	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Sharon Tolan	Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	
Cllr. Gillian Toole	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	
Cllr. Conor Tormey	Cllr. Tommy Reilly	

Result: Cllr. Tommy Reilly = 21 votes, Cllr. Gerry O' Connor = 13 votes, Abstention - 4
Abstention - 1

5.3.3 Appointment of six Councillors to the Members' forum of the East Border Region Ltd. and the appointment of three of these Councillors as Board members of the East Border Region.

Councillor Gerry O' Connor informed of the forming of two groups.

Group 1 to appoint **Councillor Gerry O' Connor**, and listed the group as follows: Councillors Gerry O' Connor, Joe Fox, Eugene Cassidy, Alan Tobin, Sharon Tolan, Noel French, Suzanne Jamal.

Group 2 to appoint **Councillor Paddy Meade**, and listed the group as follows: Yemi Adenuga, Niamh Souhan, Sarah Reilly, Maria Murphy, Paddy Meade, Darren O' Rourke, Ronan Moore.

Councillor Trevor Golden was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor Sharon Keogan.

Councillors Paul McCabe, Seán Drew and Tom Behan were appointed on the proposal of Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Councillor Tommy Reilly

Appointment of three of the above appointed Councillors as Board members of the East Border Region

Councillor Gerry O' Connor informed of the forming of a group of thirteen Councillors to appoint **Councillor Gerry O' Connor** and listed the group as follows: Councillors Yemi Adenuga, Niamh Souhan, Sarah Reilly, Maria Murphy, Sharon Tolan, Suzanne Jamal, Gerry O'Connor, Joe Fox, Eugene Cassidy, Alan Tobin, Paddy Meade, Noel French, Ronan Moore.

Councillor Trevor Golden was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor Sharon Keogan.

Councillor Seán Drew was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Councillor Tommy Reilly



5.3.4 Appointment of three Councillors to the Board of Meath Arts Centre Ltd.

Councillor Pdraig Fitzsimons was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Councillor Mike Bray.

Councillor Francis Deane was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor Trevor Golden.

Councillor Yemi Adenuga was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Gerry O' Connor and seconded by Maria Murphy.

5.3.5 Appointment of five Councillors to Boyne Valley Tourism Ltd.

Councillor Gerry O' Connor informed of the forming of two groups.

Group 1 to appoint **Councillor Sarah Reilly**, and listed the group as follows: Yemi Adenuga, Niamh Souhan, Sarah Reilly, Maria Murphy, Sharon Tolan, Suzanne Jamal, Gerry O' Connor, Joe Fox.

Group 2 to appoint **Councillor Eddie Fennessy**, and listed the group as follows: Councillors, Eugene Cassidy, Alan Tobin, Paddy Meade, Noel French, Eddie Fennessy, Darren O' Rourke, Johnny Guirke, Ronan Moore.

Councillor David Gilroy was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor Nick Killian.

Councillors Aisling Dempsey and Stephen McKee were appointed on the proposal of Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Councillor Nick Killian.

5.3.6 Appointment of of six Councillors, one from each Municipal District, to the Meath Heritage Forum.

It was unanimously agreed that this item would be referred to the six Municipal Districts.

5.3.7 Appointment two Councillors to Comhairle na nÓg Steering Committee.

Councillor Ronan Moore was proposed by Councillor Gerry O' Connor and seconded by Councillor Sarah Reilly.

Councillors Mike Bray and Paul McCabe were proposed by Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Councillor Tommy Reilly.

Councillor Paul McCabe withdrew his name and **Councillors Ronan Moore and Mike Bray** were duly appointed.



5.3.8 Appointment of one Councillor to Meath Local Sports Partnership Committee.

Councillor Darren O' Rourke was proposed by Councillor Gerry O' Connor and seconded by Councillor Sharon Tolan.

Councillor Tommy Reilly was proposed by Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Councillor Tom Behan.

Councillor Darren O' Rourke withdrew his name and Councillor Tommy Reilly was duly appointed.

5.3.9 Appointment of one Councillor to Meath Age Friendly Alliance.

Councillor Gillian Toole was appointed on the proposal of Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor Nick Killian.

5.3.10 Appointment of two Councillors to North East Regional Drugs Taskforce.

Councillor Paul McCabe was proposed by Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Councillor Seán Drew.

Councillor Gillian Toole was proposed by Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor Damien O'Reilly

Councillor Niamh Souhan was proposed by Councillor Gerry O' Connor and seconded by Councillor Maria Murphy.

Councillor Gillian Toole withdrew her nomination and **Councillors Paul McCabe** and **Niamh Souhan** were duly appointed.

5.3.11 Appointment of of one Councillor to LAMA.

Councillor Suzanne Jamal was proposed by Councillor Gerry O' Connor and seconded by Councillor Joe Fox.

Councillor Sharon Keogan was proposed by Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor Trevor Golden.

Councillor Sharon Keogan was appointed following a roll call vote as follows:



Councillor	Vote	
Cllr. Yemi Adenuga	Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	
Cllr. Tom Behan	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Joseph Bonner		Absent
Cllr. Mike Bray	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Eugene Cassidy	Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	
Cllr. Francis Deane	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Aisling Dempsey	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr Sean Drew	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Eddie Fennessy		Abstain
Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Pdraig Fitzsimons	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Joe Fox	Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	
Cllr. Noel French	Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	
Cllr. Deirdre Geraghty- Smith	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. David Gilroy	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Trevor Golden	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Johnny Guirke		Abstain
Cllr. Wayne Harding	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Annie Hoey	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	
Cllr. Sharon Keogan	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Nick Killian	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	



Cllr. Alan Lawes		Abstain
Cllr. Paul McCabe	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Stephen McKee	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Paddy Meade	Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	
Cllr. Ronan Moore	Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	
Cllr. Maria Murphy	Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	
Cllr. Gerry O' Connor	Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	
Cllr. Damien O' Reilly	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Darren O' Rourke		Abstain
Cllr. Sarah Reilly	Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	
Cllr. Tommy Reilly	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Niamh Souhan	Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	
Cllr. Alan Tobin	Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	
Cllr. Emer Tóibín	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Sharon Tolan	Cllr. Suzanne Jamal	
Cllr. Gillian Toole	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	
Cllr. Conor Tormey	Cllr. Sharon Keogan	

Result: Cllr. Sharon Keogan = 21 votes, Cllr. Suzanne Jamal = 13 votes, Abstention - 4
Absent - 1

6.0 To agree the appointment or nomination of Councillors to Committees & Joint Bodies at the Municipal District.

It was unanimously agreed that the above appointments would be agreed at the annual meetings of the Municipal Districts.

6.1 Navan Municipal District



6.1.1 Appointment of five Councillors to the Navan Enterprise Centre Company Ltd.

6.1.2 Appointment of three Councillors to the Navan Sports and Leisure Company.

Referred to the Navan Municipal District.

6.2 Trim Municipal District

6.2.1 Appointment of two Councillors to Trim Sports & Leisure Centre Company Ltd.

Referred to the Trim Municipal District.

6.3 Kells Municipal District

6.3.1 Appointment of two Councillors to the Athboy Social Needs & Recreational Company Ltd.

6.3.2 Appointment of four Councillors to the Kells Community Enterprise Company Ltd.

Referred to Kells Municipal District

6.4 Laytown/Bettystown Municipal District

6.4.1 Appointment of two Councillors to Indaver Community Liaison Committee.

Referred to the Laytown/Bettystown Municipal District.

6.5 Ashbourne Municipal District

6.5.1 Appointment of three Councillors to Knockharley Community Liaison Committee.

Referred to Ashbourne Municipal District.

7.0 Agree Schedule of Meetings

Meetings will commence at 1.30p.m. on the following dates:

Date	Type
July 1, 2019	Ordinary
September 2, 2019	Ordinary
October 7, 2019	Ordinary



November 4, 2019	Ordinary
December 2, 2019	Ordinary
January 13, 2019	Ordinary
February 3, 2020	Ordinary
March 2, 2020	Ordinary
April 6, 2020	Ordinary
May 11, 2020*	Ordinary
June 8, 2020*	Annual

*May Meeting – May 4 is a bank holiday

*June Meeting – June 1 is a bank holiday

The absence of a scheduled meeting in January 2020 was noted, and it was proposed by **Councillor Damien O' Reilly** and seconded by **Councillor Nick Killian** to include an ordinary meeting, without motions or questions, for January 13, 2020 in the proposed schedule of meetings.

The schedule was duly agreed subject to the amendment.

8.0 Protocol Committee

8.1 Appointment of seven Councillors to the Protocol Committee

Councillors Aisling Dempsey, Tommy Reilly, Paul McCabe, were proposed on behalf of the Fianna Fáil group by Councillor Damien O' Reilly and seconded by Councillor Tom Behan.

Councillors Trevor Golden, Francis Deane were proposed, on behalf of the Technical Group by Councillor Brian Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor Nick Killian.

Councillor Gerry O' Connor and Sarah Reilly were proposed, on behalf of the Fine Gael group by Councillor Gerry O' Connor and seconded by Councillor Eugene Cassidy

Councillor Eddie Fennessy was proposed by Councillor Darren O'Rourke and seconded by Councillor Johnny Guirke.

As there were eight nominations, it was agreed that the Protocol Committee would be increased accordingly, and to include the Cathaoirleach and Leas Chathaoirleach.



9.0 Orientation for new Councillors

It was noted that there would be an in-house orientation session on Friday, June 21, from 9.30a.m. – 1.00p.m.

It was also noted that a briefing would be organised for all Councillors on the review of the County Development Plan, which would take place on Thursday morning, June 27, at the Ardboyne Hotel.

There was a short discussion on the Strategic Policy Committees (SPCs) and how they would operate. The Chief Executive informed the meeting that the review of the SPC Scheme would come before the Council at a future meeting.