



Miontuairiscí / Meeting Minutes Annual Meeting Kells Municipal District 3.30p.m, 16th June 2025, Kells Civic Offices

Cathaoirleach, Councillor Sarah Reilly, presided.

Councillors Present: Mike Bray, Michael Gallagher, Peter Caffrey, Seán Drew, Eugene Cassidy

Councillors Present via Zoom:

Absent/Apologies: David Gilroy

Officials in Attendance:

Director of Services: Dara McGowan

Meetings Administrator: Francis Regan

Staff Officer: Kate Lomza

Assistant Staff Officer: Stephen Carey

1. Election of Cathaoirleach

The outgoing Cathaoirleach, **Councillor Sarah Reilly**, opened the meeting by thanking her fellow members, the management team, and administration staff for their help during her term.

Councillor Sean Drew was proposed by **Councillor Mike Bray** and seconded by **Councillor Eugene Cassidy.**

Councillor Michael Gallagher was proposed by **Councillor Peter Caffrey** and seconded by **Councillor Michael Gallagher**.

As there were two nominations for the position of Cathaoirleach, a roll call vote was taken with the following result:

Councillor	Vote
BRAY, Mike	DREW, Sean
CAFFREY, Peter	GALLAGHER, Michael
DREW, Sean	DREW, Sean
CASSIDY, Eugene	DREW, Sean
GALLAGHER, Michael	GALLAGHER, Michael
GILROY, David	Absent
REILLY, Sarah	DREW, Sean

DREW, Sean - 4 votes

GALLAGHER, Michael - 2 votes





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Councillor Sean Drew was declared elected. Councillor Drew thanked everyone who supported him and said he was looking forward to the role and working with the Cathaoirleach. Councillor Drew stated how his focus and priority will be on Social and Affordable housing, Community and additional funding for the MD road network.

2. Election of Leas-Chathaoirleach

Councillor Eugene Cassidy was proposed by **Councillor Mike Bray** and seconded by **Councillor Sarah Reilly.**

Councillor Peter Caffrey was proposed by **Councillor Michael Gallagher** and seconded by **Councillor Peter Caffrey**

As there were two nominations for the position of Cathaoirleach, a roll call vote was taken with the following result:

Councillor	Vote
BRAY, Mike	CASSIDY, Eugene
CAFFREY, Peter	CAFFREY, Peter
DREW, Sean	CASSIDY, Eugene
CASSIDY, Eugene	CASSIDY, Eugene
GALLAGHER, Michael	CAFFREY, Peter
GILROY, David	Absent
REILLY, Sarah	CASSIDY, Eugene

CASSIDY, Eugene - 4 votes CAFFREY, Peter - 2 votes

Councillor Eugene Cassidy was declared elected. **Councillor Cassidy** thanked everyone who supported him and looks forward to working with the Cathaoirleach





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3. To agree the 2025-2026 Schedule of Meetings

Municipal District: Kells

Time: 4.00pm

Venue: Kells Civic Offices

Date	Meeting Type
Monday, 14 th July 2025	Ordinary
Monday, 08 th September 2025	Ordinary
Monday, 13 th October 2025	Ordinary
Monday, 10 th November 2025	Ordinary
Monday, 08 th December 2025	Ordinary
Monday, 19 th January 2026	Ordinary
Monday, 09 th February 2026	Ordinary
Monday, 09 th March 2026	Ordinary
Monday, 20 th April 2026	Ordinary
Monday, 18 th May 2026	Ordinary
Monday, 15 th June 2026	Annual
Monday, 15 th June 2026	Ordinary

The schedule was agreed on the proposal of **Councillor Eugene Cassidy** and seconded by **Councillor Michael Gallagher.**

The meeting concluded at 3.50pm
Signed:
Cathaoirleach