

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF  
TUAM HELD AT THE OFFICES OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF TUAM, TUAM,  
COUNTY GALWAY ON FRIDAY 28<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2023 AT 11:00 am.**

**CATHAOIRLEACH:** Cllr. Killilea / Cllr. Roche.

**I LÁTHAIR FREISIN** Cllr. Cuniffe, Cllr. Hoade, Cllr. McHugh Farag, Cllr. Reddington,  
Cllr. Roche & Cllr. Turner.

**AS LÁTHAIR**

**BAILL OIFIGIGH:** Mr. Michael Owens, D.O.S., Ms. Rachel Lowe, SE, Mr. John  
Coyle – SEE, Mr. Padraic Flaherty, Executive Technician Ms.  
Geraldine Byrne, - Meetings Administrator, Ms. Sinéad  
Naughton – Staff Officer.

Cllr. Killilea welcomed everyone to the Annual Meeting of Tuam Municipal District thanking Mr. Uinsinn Finn previous Director of Services in Tuam and wishing him well in the Conamara MD. He thanked everyone for their work during his time serving as Cathaoirleach and said he hoped that everything goes well over the next 5-year period. Each of the Elected Members thanked Cllr. Killilea for his term in the chair.

**MDT240039**

**Item no. 1 – Return of persons elected to the Municipal District of Tuam at the Local Elections 2024**

Ms. Byrne read out the names of those elected to the Municipal District of Tuam at the 2024 Local Elections.

**MDT240040**

**Item no. 2 – Election of Cathaoirleach for the Municipal District of Tuam for year 2024/2025**

Cllr. Reddington proposed that Cllr. Roche be elected Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Tuam for 2024/2025. This proposal was seconded by Cllr. Turner. There were no other nominations. Cllr. Roche was deemed elected as Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Tuam.

Cllr. Roche took the chair and thanked the members for the nomination and accepted the role as Cathaoirleach. He said he had the honour of being Cathaoirleach before and it was a great privilege. He thanked the engineering staff for the support that was always provided and said he looked forward to everyone working together to the best of their ability for the Tuam Municipal District Area.

**MDT240041**

**Item no. 2 – Election of Leas Cathaoirleach for the Municipal District of Tuam for year 2024/2025**

Cllr. Turner proposed that Cllr. McHugh Farag be elected Leas Chathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Tuam for 2024/2025. This proposal was seconded by Cllr. Hoade. There were no other nominations. Cllr. McHugh Farag was deemed elected as Leas Chathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Tuam. Cllr.

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McHugh Farag thanked the members for the nomination and accepted the role as Leas Chathaoirleach, saying it was a great honour to serve the MD and she looked forward to the year ahead.

**MDT240042**

### **Item no. 3. – Schedule of dates for Municipal District of Tuam meetings for year 2024/2025**

Cllr. Killilea suggested as the next meeting was due to be held on 8<sup>th</sup> July just over one week away and enquired would it be agreeable to postpone the next meeting to the second week in September and onwards thereafter. Cllr. Roche commented that bi-monthly meetings have been very productive but said perhaps it would be possible if agenda items were not pressing. Cllr. Hoade said that 8<sup>th</sup> July would make notice and agenda formation very tight.

Cllr. Cuniffe stated that he was anxious that another meeting was held soon and would rather MD meetings monthly with all the issues that need to be dealt with. Cllr. Killilea clarified that he was not suggesting a return to bi-monthly meetings but putting the date of 8<sup>th</sup> July out for re-consideration. Cllr. Turner suggested that the meeting be held instead on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2024. This date was agreed by all present.

A discussion then took place in relation to the most suitable time to commence meetings going forward and it was agreed by both elected members and the executive that future meetings would commence at 2.30pm. Ms. Byrne advised she would revise the standing orders and circulate the dates to the members.

Mr. Owens congratulated all of the Councillors on their recent election success and congratulated the incoming Cathaoirleach and Leas Chathaoirleach. He said that on behalf of the staff he was very much looking forward to working with the elected members.

He outlined the benefit of the members identifying the priority areas that they would like to progress, bringing clarity to their input to the specific strategic priorities for the new Corporate Plan, the input of the MD at plenary level and to assist in identifying potential funding opportunities to progress the priorities of the MD.

Cllr. Roche congratulated Cllr. Cuniffe on his re-election and Cllr. Turner on this election. Cllr. Cuniffe thanked John Coyle, SEE and Paul Connolly former EE for all the work they had done in partnership with local groups.

***Chríochnaigh an cruinniú ansin @ 11.30 a.m.***

Approved by:

  
Cllr. Roche, Cathaoirleach

Date: 15/7/2024