

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL MEETING OF NENAGH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT HELD IN THE NENAGH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT CHAMBER AND via ZOOM AT 10.00 AM ON 19<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2025

| Present in chamber | Cllr's Fiona Bonfield, John Carroll, Séamus Morris, Phyll Bugler,<br>J.P. O'Meara, Louise Morgan Walsh and Phyll Bugler   |
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| aring a            | Via Zoom: Clirs. Michael O' Meara and Joe Hannigan  |
| Also Present       | Ms. Rosemary Joyce, District Administrator; Mr. Liam Brett, Director of Services; Mr. Barry Murphy, Senior Executive Engineer; Mr. Kieran Malone, Senior Engineer and Ms. Sinead Moriarty, Staff Officer.   |
|                    | Cllr. Bonfield sincerely thanked the members for bestowing on her the honour of being Cathaoirleach of the Nenagh Municipal District for 2024/2025. It was a privilege and an honour to serve in the role for the last 12 months. She thanked everyone for their kindness, courtesy and help and said it is fair to say that the members do work as a team in the Nenagh Municipal District.  |
|                    | Some of the highlights in the district throughout the year included the unveiling of the mural of Shane Mc Gowan and the resurrection of the St Patricks Day Parade in Nenagh. She congratulated her colleague Louise Morgan Walsh and her team for all the work put in to ensure this event took place after an absence of several years from the town.  |
|                    | On a beautiful day on 22 <sup>nd</sup> May last the official opening of the Shannon Crossing in Ballina and Killaloe took place. She said that this transformative road project will greatly improve the quality of life for residents of both towns. She thanked the people of both towns who endured 3 years of total inconvenience, but said the project is one of the best infrastructural ones to have been delivered nationally over the last number of years. She gave credit to the roads section in both councils for all their work and commitment to the project and to the contractors Sisks, who delivered on time, despite many challenges. |
|                    | She said work has started on the exciting amenity upgrade in Dromineer. Town Teams have been set up in Nenagh and Newport, with the team in Ballina to be structured soon. Both the Silvermines Hydro Electric Power Plant Proposed Development and the Centre of Excellence are moving at pace where it is hoped that planning applications will be submitted before the end of the year or early next year. Engagement has taken place with the A Team in Nenagh who have a very exciting plan which hopefully can be delivered. She believed the members made a great submission on the National Development Plan.                                     |



|  | Cllr. Bonfield thanked the council staff and executive for their help and support over the last 12 months and she looked forward to a new year working with everyone while doing the best for our communities.  |
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|  | All the members thanked Cllr. Bonfield for her work and leadership in the last 12 months. Mr. L. Brett, Ms. R. Joyce and Mr. B. Murphy were also associated with the comments.  |
| Item 1.<br>Election of<br>Cathaoirleach        | It was proposed by Cllr. J.P. O'Meara, and seconded by Cllr. John Carroll and unanimously agreed that Cllr. P. Bugler be elected Cathaoirleach.   |
|  | Cllr. Burgler was presented with the chain of office and spoke of her honour to be elected Cathaoirleach.   |
|  | Clir. Bugler thanked her proposer and seconder and stated that she knows the area very well and that it will be important to concentrate on business and tourism going forward. Businesses need support to offer online services. While the economy is doing well it is necessary to keep an eye on what is coming down the line. The success of the Hidden Heartlands will be crucial to the promotion of tourism in the area. It has been 21 years of hard work to get to the stage where the new bridge has been opened. The co-operation between the 2 local authorities has been vital and the new flood relief system is also being progressed. More funding is required for roads, the increase in costs has to be factored into the allocations. Housing developments are needed and the issues in relation to the wastewater treatment plants must be resolved to allow for these developments to progress. She said will be there to help any of the members. |
|  | All the members wished Cllr. Bugler well for the year ahead. Ms. R. Joyce and Mr. L. Brett were also associated with the comments.  |
| Item 2.<br>Election of Leas-<br>Chathaoirleach | It was proposed by Cllr. Morris, seconded by Cllr. Carroll and agreed that Cllr. J. Hannigan be elected Leas-Chathaoirleach.  |

This concluded the business of the meeting, a true copy of which we hereby certify:-

Signed:

Cathaoirleach Clir. Phyll Bugler

Date: 17 7 25

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Ms. Rosemary Joyce

Date: 17 7 25

**District Administrator**