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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE THURLES MUNICIPAL DISTRICT WHICH WAS HELD IN THE TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT OFFICES, CASTLE AVENUE, THURLES ON 16th JUNE, 2025

**Present:** Councillor Michael Smith, Cathaoirleach, presided.

Councillors Kay Cahill-Skehan, William Kennedy, Shane Lee, Michéal Lowry, Eddie Moran, Jim Ryan,

Peggy Ryan and Sean Ryan.

Also Present: Mark Connolly Director of Services

Kieran Malone
Thomas Duffy
Jim Ryan
Enda Walsh
Sharon Scully

Senior Engineer
District Engineer
Executive Engineer
Executive Engineer
Meetings Administrator

Susan Scally Asst Staff Officer

## Address by the Outgoing Cathaoirleach.

The Outgoing Cathaoirleach welcomed everyone to the Annual Meeting. He expressed his appreciation to the Members and staff for the huge amount of work carried out in the District in the past year.

He thanked the District Administrator for helping him in his role as Cathaoirleach and for the courtesy shown to him during the past year.

He stated that Thurles District is a solid, effective and dynamic District and very productive in all the work carried out and mentioned the following.highlights:

- The refurbishment and reopening of Templemore Town Hall as the Templemore Library at a cost of €3m.
- The Thurles Market Quarter due to be completed by Q4 2025.
- The Littleton Labyrinth which will be officially open tomorrow.
- Herdwatch Headquarters located in Roscrea.
- Completion of the Roscrea Enterprise and Community Hub (REACH).
- On a personal level, meeting with the Minister for funding for the former Grants Hotel.
- Number of new houses built in the District which provide homes for so many.



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He thanked Councillor Michéal Lowry for his role as Leas Cathaoirleach for the past year.

Councillor Michéal Lowry commented on the wealth of experience held by the Members of the District and how they have sought to be innovative and successful in providing solutions to issues. He hoped that the 5 year term for the Members would prove very productive.

## 1 Election of Cathaoirleach.

The outgoing Cathaoirleach invited nominations for the position of Cathaoirleach.

It was proposed by Councillor W. Kennedy and seconded by Councillor S. Ryan:-

"That Councillor Peggy Ryan be elected Cathaoirleach of the Thurles Municipal District for the ensuing year."

As there were no other nominations for the position, Councillor P. Ryan was deemed to be elected as Cathaoirleach for the ensuing year.

Councillor M. Smith congratulated Councillor P. Ryan on her election and he vacated the Chair.

The other Members congratulated Councillor P. Ryan on her election and wished her well for the coming year.

## Address of Incoming Cathaoirleach,

The Incoming Cathaoirleach thanked her proposer and seconder. She paid tribute to the outgoing Cathaoirleach and thanked both the outgoing Cathaoirleach and Leas Cathaoirleach.

She advised that tomorrow will be a huge day for the District with the official opening of the Littleton Labyrinth. Cllr Ryan said she is looking forward to working with the Members and said communication is key. Her focus as Cathaoirleach will be on dereliction and vacancy within the District; climate, environment and resilience and working with LAWPRO on the River Suir.

The Members and Officials congratulated Councillor P. Ryan on her election and wished her well in the year ahead.



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## 2. Election of Leas Cathaoirleach.

The Cathaoirleach invited nominations for the position of Leas Cathaoirleach.

It was proposed by Councillor M. Lowry and seconded by Councillor W. Kennedy:

"That Councillor E. Moran be elected Leas Cathaoirleach of the Thurles Municipal District for the ensuing year."

There being no further nominations, the Cathaoirleach declared Councillor E. Moran elected Leas Cathaoirleach.

Councillor E. Moran thanked his proposer and seconder and the Members for electing him Leas Cathaoirleach.

The Members congratulated Councillor Moran on his election as Leas Cathaoirleach and wished him well in the role.

This concluded the business of the Meeting.

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SIGNED: DATE: 21st July, 2025.

LETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

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