

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel Municipal District held in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Tipperary Town and hosted remotely on Monday 23rd June, 2025 at 11am

Members Present: Councillor John Crosse, Cathaoirleach
Councillor Micheál Anglim
Councillor Liam Browne
Councillor Declan Burgess
Councillor Mary Hanna-Hourigan
Councillor Roger Kennedy
Councillor Máirín McGrath
Councillor Andy Moloney
Councillor Marie Murphy
Councillor John O’Heney
Councillor Annemarie Ryan (Shiner)

Officials Present: Ms. Sinead Carr, CEO
Mr. Dave Carroll, A/District Director
Mr. Anselm McGowan, District Administrator
Mr. James Swords, District Engineer
Mr. James Murray, Senior Engineer Roads
Mr. Frank Cussen, Executive Engineer
Mr. Michael Begley, Administrative Officer
Ms. Verena McGrath, Assistant Staff Officer

Mr. Anselm McGowan, District Administrator, commenced the meeting with the meeting prayer.

The Cathaoirleach of Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel MD thanked everyone present and highlighted the great achievements and projects underway in the District. He spoke of the RRDF project in Cahir which includes a transformative Public Realm, Library, Business Hub and carpark which will underpin the future developments of Cahir as a hub for Tourism and Economic Development. He thanked Frank Cussen, Project Manager and the Elected Members in this location for their unwavering commitment to Cahir. He then spoke of the delivery of the enhanced Public Realm and Plaza in Cashel as well as the new Fire Station. He mentioned how the development of the new Cashel town park will complement the Bishop Walk and enhance the connectivity between the Rock of Cashel and the town. He also noted the continuous commitment of the Cashel Elected Members.

Finally, he mentioned the completed projects in Tipperary Town, such as the Tipperary Hills and noted that the Courthouse and Bridewell, Dan Breen House and the Market Yard public facilities are in the pipeline. He acknowledged the work of the Tipperary Town Revitalisation group and Michael Begley, Administrative Officer as well as the Elected Members in pushing these projects forward. He also spoke of how the N24 designs are progressing and thanked the

stakeholders, property and land owners for engaging in a positive way for the successful completion of the N74. He highlighted the work of local Tidy Towns groups and community voluntary groups in all the towns and villages who continue to work with the Council to improve our District. He finally thanked all he worked with over the year and praised council staff such as John Redfern who is a caretaker in the Civic offices, Tipperary town.

1. Election of Cathaoirleach

The Chairperson called for nominations for the position of Cathaoirleach of the Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel Municipal District. Councillor Micheál Anglim proposed Councillor Roger Kennedy saying he is a dedicated public representative with prior experience in the position of Cathaoirleach. Councillor Micheál Anglim said that Councillor Roger Kennedy is a good advisor to all, treating everyone with fairness and would have everyone's support. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Mary Hanna Hourigan who emphasised that Councillor Kennedy brings huge experience to the role, is a great advisor, a pleasure to work with and a good friend. There were no other nominations, therefore Councillor Roger Kennedy was declared to be elected Cathaoirleach of the Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel Municipal District.

Councillor Roger Kennedy took his position as Cathaoirleach of Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel Municipal District. He thanked his Proposer and Secunder for nominating him as Cathaoirleach. The Members congratulated Councillor Roger Kennedy on his election and said they looked forward to working with him in the coming year and wished him well. Councillor Kennedy thanked the Members for their support on his election.

2. Election of Leas-Chathaoirleach

The Cathaoirleach called for nominations for the position of Leas Chathaoirleach of the Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel Municipal District. Councillor Declan Burgess proposed Councillor Marie Murphy for the position. He commented that she has served as a Fine Gael Councillor since 2009 emphasizing her efficiency and attentiveness. He noted that she is always sharp and, on the ball, and that he was happy to support a party colleague and friend.

This proposal was seconded by Councillor Mary Hanna Hourigan who spoke of the extensive experience Councillor Murphy will bring to the role and also concurred that she is always well-read and prepared. There were no other nominations therefore Councillor Marie Murphy was deemed to be elected Leas Chathaoirleach of the Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel Municipal District.

3. Agree Schedule of Monthly Meetings of Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel Municipal District

The schedule of meetings was agreed as presented and it was noted that the meetings in October and December were on a Tuesday and not the 4th Monday due to bank holidays.

On the proposition of Councillor Andy Moloney, seconded by Councillor Annemarie Ryan (Shiner) it was agreed that the Draft Schedule of Monthly Meetings for the Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel Municipal District be adopted.

4. Any Other Business

Councillor Annemarie Ryan (Shiner) congratulated Councillor Kennedy and Councillor Murphy and commented that she has a very positive working relationship with them. She asked whether others at the table might have the opportunity to assume the role of Cathaoirleach, given the existing pact. The Cathaoirleach said that they would take this on board and discuss at a later stage.

Councillor Liam Browne congratulated the new Cathaoirleach, Councillor Roger Kennedy and thanked outgoing Cathaoirleach Councillor Crosse for doing an excellent job and for giving excellent support to the new Councillors. Councillor Moloney congratulated the new Cathaoirleach and Leas-Chathaoirleach and wished Councillor John Crosse all the best. Councillor Mary Hanna Hourigan praised Councillor John Crosse for his kindness and courtesy and wished him the best of luck. Councillor Burgess acknowledged Councillor Crosse's busy year, noting his commitment and presence in the role, and said that he looked forward to working with Councillor Kennedy. Councillor Annemarie Ryan (Shiner) thanked Councillor Crosse and looked forward to continued collaboration. Councillor Máirín McGrath also praised Councillor Crosse, mentioning his good engagement and also noted the cooperation from new Elected Members. She agreed with Councillor Annemarie Ryan (Shiner) on the importance of discussing that the Cathaoirleach and Leas Chathaoirleach roles being distributed among all Elected Members. She noted that she was happy that Councillor Murphy was representing Cahir at the top table.

Councillor Marie Murphy remarked that it was a busy year and that the RRDF funding was progressing well. She wished Councillor Crosse and his family all the best. She congratulated Councillor Roger Kennedy highlighting that he had vast experience. She also thanked Councillor Burgess and Councillor Hanna Hourigan for her nomination. Councillor John O'Heney praised Councillor Crosse for providing valuable guidance and advice to the new Members and congratulated Councillor Kennedy again noting his vast experience. Councillor Crosse thanked all the Councillors for their kind words.

CEO Sinead Carr spoke of the significance of the election of Cathaoirleach, describing it as an important role that comes with immense privilege and honour. She thanked Councillor Crosse for representing his District so well. She acknowledged his commitment to the role and that he had worked very closely with the Elected Members and that it was a large District with a great team behind it. She congratulated Councillor Kennedy, highlighting his remarkable integrity

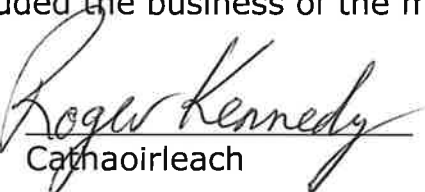
and decency. She noted that both Councillor Kennedy and Councillor Murphy were extraordinarily hard-working representatives.

Councillor Kennedy thanked the outgoing Cathaoirleach and noted that this, marks his second term as Cathaoirleach. He said he was looking forward to the upcoming term and had huge target items. He is focussed on working with Councillors in Cahir and Clonmel to ensure the completion of the N24. He also said he is prioritising Tourism, Business and Economic Development. He would like to see the continuing work being done at Dan Breen House, ETB, Courthouse and Bridewell with Moorehaven and these projects completed. Cahir has been allocated €17million for the Library, Business Centre and Square and he hopes to maintain progress on these projects over the next 12 months.

He said he would also like to see a fast track on the Interpretative Centre in Cashel especially as the Rock of Cashel is soon to be designated a UNESCO World Heritage site. He also mentioned that he would like to see the Bolton Library exhibition in Cashel and spoke about the new town park in Cashel, with the sod turning ceremony taking place on Wednesday.

Commenting on the issue of vacant houses across all three towns, he proposed the establishment of a vacant house inventory to quantify what is vacant, analyse the causes, and monitor progress. He spoke of how he looked forward to working with the excellent staff from the CEO, engineering staff to office staff as well as with the 11 councillors in the District as he looks ahead to the next 12 months.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed/  Dated/ 28/7/2025
Cathaoirleach

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District Administrator