

**MIONTUAIRISCÍ AR CHRUINNIÚ SPEISIALTA DE CHUID
CHOMHAIRLE CONTAE CHILL CHAINNIGH TIONÓLTA AR AN LUAN,
8 AIBREÁN 2024 AG 3.30 I.N. I SEOMRA NA COMHAIRLE,
HALLA AN CHONTAE & VIA FOIRNE MS**



**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF KILKENNY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, 8TH APRIL, 2024 AT 3.30 P.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL & VIA MS TEAMS**

Chair: Cllr. Michael Doyle.

Elected Members: *Council Chamber*

Cllrs. Tomás Breathnach, Fidelis Doherty, Pat Dunphy & David Fitzgerald.

MS Teams

Cllrs. John Brennan, Martin Brett, Mary Hilda Cavanagh, Matt Doran, Ger Frisby & Andrew McGuinness.

Officials: Lar Power, Tim Butler, Sean McKeown, Fiona Deegan & Anne Maria Walsh.

Cathaoirleach Cllr. Michael Doyle referred to the sad passing of Dick Dowling, Newrath former Cathaoirleach of Kilkenny County Council and extended sympathy to Dick Dowling's wife Máirín, sons Pádraig, Donal, Richard and John, daughters Anne Marie and Catherine.

Cllr. Michael Doyle proposed that a vote of sympathy be extended to the Dowling Family. This was seconded by Cllr. Mary Hilda Cavanagh and agreed by all.

Condolences were extended by Cllrs. Mary Hilda Cavanagh, Andrew McGuinness, Martin Brett, Tomás Breathnach, Fidelis Doherty, John Brennan, Matt Doran, Pat Dunphy, Ger Frisby and David Fitzgerald.

All Members were associated with the vote of sympathy to the late Dick Dowling's wife and family.

Members spoke highly of his commitment to public life as a Councillor, Senator and TD over a period of 35 years. Dick Dowling also served on the VEC and Board of Management over the years. The Members referred to his passion for the social and economic development of Kilkenny and particular for the South of Kilkenny. He was a teacher by profession and was a great supporter of education and served on the VEC for many years. There was also a competitive side to Dick Dowling and he excelled in football and hurling, played golf and played bridge. He also served time as a referee.

Tributes were paid to him as a fantastic speaker and his priority was always his family first.

Mr. Lar Power extended sympathy on behalf of the Executive and staff to Mrs. Máirín Dowling and all the Dowling family.

Cathaoirleach Cllr. Michael Doyle thanked all the Members for their kind remarks. He once again extended sympathy to the family.

A Minutes silence was observed by all.

Cllr. Doyle closed the meeting.

CATHAOIRLEACH

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