# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF CASTLECOMER MUNICIPAL DISTRICT HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL ON FRIDAY 8<sup>th</sup> of JUNE AT 1.45PM

Chair:	Cllr John Brennan
Clirs:	Cllrs Mick McCarthy, Mary Hilda Cavanagh, Pat Fitzpatrick, Patrick Millea and Maurice Shortall.
Officials:	Philippe Beubry, Michael Delahunty and Nancy Byrne
Apologies:	Mary Mulholland

### **ELECTION OF CATHAOIRLEACH**

Cllr John Brennan opened the meeting by highlighting progress achieved on a number of projects during the past year including: pedestrian bridge for Castlecomer, re-surfacing of the N78, delivery of various social housing units, Castlecomer Enterprise Centre, reinstatement of the Local Improvement Scheme, funding for Clogh playground and pro-active engagement with the Community. Cllr John Brennan concluded by thanking his fellow councilors and the executive including Mary Mulholland, Michael Delahunty, Philippe Beubry, Nancy Byrne and staff of the Castlecomer Area Office for their support and commitment over the past year and acknowledged the honor it had been to serve as Cathaoirleach for the Castlecomer Municipal District for the past 12 months.

Members were unanimous in their praise and good wishes for Cllr John Brennan, acknowledging his achievements during his year as Cathoirleach and also the courteous, cordial and capable manner in which he conducted business.

Michael Delahunty, Meetings Administrator acknowledged, on behalf of the Executive, Cllr Brennan's courtesy, professionalism and fairness to all members.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of An Cathaoirleach.

Proposed by Cllr Pat Millea, Seconded by Cllr Pat Fitzpatrick,

"That CIIr Michael McCarthy be elected as Cathaoirleach of the Castlecomer Municipal District for the forthcoming year"

As there were no further proposals for the position of Cathaoirleach, Cllr Brennan declared Cllr Michael McCarthy to be elected as Cathaoirleach of the Castlecomer Municipal District and invited him to take the Chair.

Cllr McCarthy took over as Cathaoirleach for the remainder of the meeting.

Cllr McCarthy thanked his proposer and seconder. He thanked Cllr Brennan for what has been a very successful 12 months and advised that he looked forward to a successful year ahead with the co-operation of his fellow members and made particular reference to schemes including Town and Village Renewal, Social Housing, CFRAM, Housing Aid for the Elderly, Broadband and completion of housing development at Tougher Way.

## **2 ELECTION OF LEAS CATHAOIRLEACH**

Proposed by Cllr Pat Fitzpatrick,

Seconded by Cllr John Brennan,

"That Cllr Mary Hilda Cavanagh be elected as Leas Cathaoirleach.

As there were no other proposals for the position of Leas Cathaoirleach, Cllr McCarthy declared Cllr Cavanagh to be elected as Leas Cathaoirleach of the Castlecomer Municipal District.

Cllr Cavanagh thanked her proposed and seconder.

### **3** Correspondence from Irish Water

Michael Delahunty referred to correspondence received from Irish Water in response to the request of Members for representatives of Irish Water to attend a future meeting. Irish Water is response, stated that it would not be sending representatives but will be arranging its clinics for elected members on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June and that the members from the Castlecomer Municipal District may wish to attend.

Members were unanimous in their dissatisfaction with Irish Water's continued refusal to attend a meeting of the Castlecomer Municipal District and rejected outright the response from the company. All elected members contributed to the discussions.

#### Proposed by Cllr Pat Millea, Seconded by Cllr Pat Fitzpatrick,

And

#### Resolved

"That a letter be sent to Irish Water rejecting its offer of a clinic meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> of June and requesting Irish Water's attendance at meeting of the Castlecomer Municipal District".

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: