

CEANTAR BARDASACH CHATHAIR CHILL CHAINNIGH
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KILKENNY CITY

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON
FRIDAY, 15th JUNE, 2018, AT 5.00 PM**

Present/ I Láthair:-

Councillors/Comhairleoirí: Cllr. Andrew McGuinness, Cllr. Matt Doran, Cllr. Joe Malone, Cllr. David Kennedy, Cllr. Patrick McKee, Cllr. David Fitzgerald, Cllr. Patrick O'Neill, Cllr. Breda Gardner, Cllr. Peter Cleere, Cllr. Michael Doyle.

Apologies: None

Also Present:

Mr. Tim Butler, Director of Services, Mr. Simon Walton, Senior Engineer, Ms. Anne Maria Walsh, Senior Executive Officer, Ms. Teresa Mahon, and A/Staff Officer.

Before Item 1, Cllr. Michael Doyle wanted to thank everyone who helped during his period as Mayor of Kilkenny during the past year. He thanked the following:

- Elected Members for their support during the year and the courtesy shown to him as Mayor.
- Cllr. Patrick O'Neill as Deputy Mayor who assisted him throughout the year.
- Ms. Colette Byrne, Ms. Anne Marie Walsh and Directors of Services for their support and patience.
- His own family for understanding the commitments of the office, his wife Becky and children Sean and Katie for the missed bedtimes and both sets of Grandparents for all their help
- All staff for their work and their interaction with all Elected Members.
- Gowran Abbey Nursing Home for giving him time to carry out his duties as Mayor.

He went on to talk about the highlights of his year as Mayor and recalled the honour of bestowing freeman of the City to Eddie Keher. He also spoke about the launching of the various festivals in Kilkenny and recognised Kilkenny's programme of

festivals as second to none in the Country. From St. Patrick Day to Yule Festive, he thanked each and everyone for promoting Kilkenny.

Tributes were paid to Cllr. Michael Doyle by Cllrs. David Fitzgerald, Cllr. Matt Doran, Cllr. Breda Gardner and Cllr. David Kennedy. Members paid tribute to Cllr. Doyle on his year as Mayor, for his courtesy, fairness, professionalism and efficiency in dealing with all Members and the manner of conducting the business of the meetings. They thanked him for his attendances at many functions/events during his term.

Mr. Tim Butler on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff thanked Cllr. Doyle for his professionalism and support during the year. Mr. Butler presented Cllr Doyle with a book of photography as a reminder of his time in office.

Cllr Doyle thanked Cllr. David Fitzgerald as Cathaoirleach during his term in office.

Summons of Meeting:

Notice dated 8th June, 2018, was read, convening the Statutory Meeting of the Municipal District of Kilkenny City for this date, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and Deputy Mayor of the Municipal City for the ensuing year.

Adoption of Procedure:

The procedure for election of Mayor, as laid down under Section 37 Local Government Act, 2001, having been explained, it was

Proposed by Cllr. D Fitzgerald
Seconded by Cllr. J Malone
And Agreed

“That the procedure laid out under Section 37 of the Local Government Act 2001 be adhered to for the election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor”.

Item No. 1. Election of Mayor:

Proposed by: Cllr. Joe Malone
Seconded by: Cllr. Patrick O’Neill
And unanimously resolved

“That Cllr. Peter Cleere be elected to fill the Office of Mayor for the ensuing year.”

Cllr. Cllr Peter Cleere was presented with the chain of office by the outgoing Mayor, Cllr. Michael Doyle.

All members congratulated the Mayor on his election and the outgoing Mayor, Cllr. Michael Doyle, on his hard work and commitment during his mayoralty.

Mr. Tim Butler, Director of Service, on behalf of the Executive and all the staff, congratulated Cllr. Cleere.

Cllr. Cleere addressed the meeting. He thanked everyone for their support. He spoke of his hopes for the forthcoming year as Mayor and:

- looked forward to working with all the other Councillors in the Municipality over the coming 12 months
- advocating on issues the people of Kilkenny hold dear.
- working closely with CE Colette Byrne, her management team and all the staff of Kilkenny County Council.
- the past, present heritage conservation programme including the Medieval Mile Museum, Evans Home, Butler Gallery and Cultural Campus.
- the development of the Abbey Quarter
- the re-introduction of Kilkenny Bus Service
- the upgrade and putting in place of the mobility management plan.
- the repair and upgrade of roads.
- the continuation of the town plan programme
- playground upgrades
- the development of the road infrastructure under the LIHAF scheme, two new secondary schools and the prospect of a new primary school.

Item No. 2: Election of Deputy Mayor

Proposed by: Cllr. Matt Doran
Seconded by: Cllr. Patrick O'Neill
And unanimously resolved

“That Cllr. Joe Malone be elected to fill the Office of Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year.

All members congratulated Cllr. Joe Malone on his election.

Cllr. Malone thanked everyone for their support. He hoped that everyone will continue to work together for the betterment of the community.

Item No. 3: Fix Date of Meeting

Proposed by: Cllr. Matt Doran
Seconded by: Cllr. Patrick McKee

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed: _____
 MAYOR

Date: _____

