



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL MEETING OF NENAGH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT HELD IN THE NENAGH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT CHAMBER AT 11.30 AM ON 25th JUNE 2026

Present in chamber	Cllr's Fiona Bonfield, Séamus Morris, Phyll Bugler, J.P. O'Meara, Louise Morgan Walsh, Phyll Bugler and Joe Hannigan
Apologies	Cllrs. Michael O'Meara and John Carroll
Also Present	Ms. Rosemary Joyce, District Administrator; Mr. Liam Brett, Director of Services; Mr. Barry Murphy, Senior Executive Engineer; and Ms. Sinead Moriarty, Staff Officer.
Apologies	Mr. Kieran Malone, Senior Executive Officer
	Cllr. Bugler thanked the elected members and staff of Nenagh MD for their work and support over the last year and highlighted a few of the successes in the District. The Dromineer Platforms for Growth scheme being developed by Tipperary County Council and Failte Ireland will benefit visitors and locals and will extend the tourism season. Funding of €500,000 was secured for work on the Gaol Block in Nenagh and this will open the historic building to the public and regenerate the historical and cultural quarter. Terryglass secured a gold medal at the 2025 Entente Florale Europe awards which recognised community pride. It is now one of 8 "can't miss" towns in Ireland. The Unravelling Shane MacGowan tour continues to be a success. The opening of the Ballina Access Promenade in September 2025 has enhanced accessibility from the Riverside Park to Ballina Town. The extended SCEAL Community Shop and Tea Rooms in Lorrha and Boher Burial Ground were both opened in June 2026. The 13 arch historical bridge in Ballina was transformed on the 28th May into an open-air catwalk for the Bridging Style Ballina Killaloe Fashion show. ANZAC day in Lorrha honouring Sergeant Martin O'Meara was another memorable occasion. The town teams in Newport and Nenagh and the Sustainable Energy Centre of Excellence in Nenagh are also progressing well. All the members thanked Cllr. Bugler for her work and leadership in the last 12 months. Mr. L. Brett, Ms. R. Joyce and Mr. B. Murphy were also associated with the comments.
Item 1. Election of Cathaoirleach	It was proposed by Cllr. Bugler and seconded by Cllr. Quirke O'Meara and unanimously agreed that Cllr J.P. O'Meara be elected Cathaoirleach. Cllr. J.P. O'Meara was presented with the chain of office and stated that it was a huge honour and privilege for him and his family to be elected Cathaoirleach. He thanked Cllr. Bugler for proposing him and Cllr. Quirke O'Meara and seconding him. He also thanked his fellow councillors for their support this morning and over the last 18 months since he joined them in the Chamber. He congratulated Cllr. Bugler on her successful year as Cathaoirleach

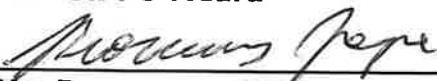


	and Cllr. Bonfield before that. They have both set a very high standard. The number one issue for him and most Councillors is Housing. While it is disheartening to see the number of people on the waiting list for social housing, it is welcome to see progress on the work on the WWTP in Nenagh which will help with the provision of houses. The development of 70 social houses in Tyone is very important. Investment in WWTPs in the District, amendments to the County Development Plan and the Rural Planning Guidelines should all lead to an increase in the provision of social and private housing. The Roads programme is progressing, and the work of the Council staff and contractors should be commended. However, due to inflation there is need for an increase in funding from Government. The site boundary for the Centre of Excellence has been agreed, and the initial design work has started. Funding application is being prepared for the Historical and Cultural Quarter, and one has been submitted for the Rialto. All these projects will be a major development for the town. Road safety is an area that Cllr. J.P. O'Meara will be very vocal on. Speeding is a very serious issue and is affecting every town and village. Visibility of pedestrians and cyclists, and e-scooter users is also an area of concern. He also made a special mention of all the Tidy Towns groups that carry out a vast amount of work in their communities, and he would encourage more people to get involved. He stated that there is a certain dynamic in the Nenagh MD Chamber that allows the members to work together for the betterment of the district and he hopes he can strengthen that over the next 12 months. He thanked his Fianna Fáil party members for nominating him as Councillor after the last General Election. All the members wished Cllr. J.P. O'Meara well for the year ahead. Ms. R. Joyce, Mr. L. Brett and Mr. B. Murphy were also associated with the comments.
Item 2. Election of Leas-Chathaoirleach	It was proposed by Cllr. Hannigan, seconded by Cllr. Bugler and agreed that Cllr. Morris be elected Leas-Chathaoirleach.

This concluded the business of the meeting, a true copy of which we hereby certify:-

Signed: 
Cathaoirleach
Cllr. J.P. O'Meara

Date: 16/7/2026

Signed: 
Ms. Rosemary Joyce
District Administrator

Date: 16/7/2026