

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF DONEGAL  
COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2019 IN THE COUNTY  
HOUSE LIFFORD.

- C/154/19 MEMBERS PRESENT  
Cllr Nicholas Crossan, Cathaoirleach, L Blaney, K Bradley, C Brogan, P Canning, T Conaghan, D Coyle, G Crawford, N Crossan, T Crossan, A Doherty, G Doherty, L Doherty, R Donaghey, M Farren, M T Gallagher, Martin Harley, N A Jordan, J Kavanagh, M Kelly, N Kennedy, M C Mac Giolla Easbuig, F McBrearty Jnr, M Mc Bride, M McClafferty, M McDermott, I Mc Garvey, N McGarvey, P McGowan, B McGuinness, M McMahan, G McMonagle, A Molloy, J Murray, M Naughton, J O'Donnell, J S O'Ferrraigh, and B Sweeny.
- C/155/19 OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE  
Seamus Neely, Chief Executive, Joe Peoples, Director of Housing, Corporate & Cultural Services / Meetings Administrator, Liam Ward, Director of Community & Planning, John McLaughlin, Director of Roads and Transportation, Michael Mc Garvey, Director of Water & Environment, Garry Martin, Director of Economic Development, Emergency Services & Information Systems, Richard Gibson, Acting Head of Finance, Sean Ó Daimhin, Oifigeach na Gaeilge, Rosemary McClafferty, Staff Officer, Anne Marie Crawford, Staff Officer.
- C/156/19 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING  
The Leas-Chathaoirleach welcomed members to the meeting.  
  
On the proposal of Cllr Brogan, seconded by Cllr Donaghey it was resolved to adjourn the meeting until 11.45am.
- C/157/19 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING  
On resumption it was resolved on the proposal of Cllr Blaney, seconded by Cllr Donaghey to adjourn the meeting for a further 15 minutes until 12 noon.
- C/158/19 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING  
A further adjournment to 12.30pm was proposed by Cllr Mc Dermott and seconded by Cllr Brogan.

C/159/19 FILMING IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER

It was unanimously agreed to suspend Standing Order No 63 to allow the media to film in the Council Chamber.

Mr Joe Peoples, Meetings Administrator responding to a query from Cllr Mc Brearty confirmed that as per Standing Order No 11 the annual meeting in an election year would be chaired by the Cathaoirleach of the previous Council (if still a member) until the election of the Cathaoirleach. In the event that they were no longer a member, the role, he confirmed, fell to the Leas-Chathaoirleach.

C/160/19 PERSONS ELECTED TO DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL – 2019 LOCAL ELECTIONS

Mr Joe Peoples, Meetings Administrator read into the record the names of those elected to Donegal County Council as a result of the Local Elections held on the 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2019.

**Municipal District of Donegal**

Conaghan Tom  
Jordan Noel Andrew  
Kennedy Niamh  
Mc Mahon Michael  
Naughton Micheál  
Sweeny Barry

**Municipal District of Glenties**

Gallagher Maire Therese  
Mac Giolla Easbuig Michéal Choilm  
Mc Clafferty Michael  
Mc Garvey Noreen  
Molloy Anthony  
O’Fearraigh John Seamais

**Municipal District of Inishowen**

Canning Paul  
Crossan Nicholas  
Crossan Terry  
Doherty Albert  
Donaghey Rena  
Farren Martin  
Mc Dermott Martin  
Mc Guinness Bernard  
Murray Jack

### **Municipal District of Letterkenny – Milford**

Blaney Liam  
Bradley Kevin  
Brogan Ciaran  
Coyle Donal  
Kavanagh Jimmy  
Kelly Manus  
Mc Bride Michael  
Mc Garvey Ian  
Mc Monagle Gerry  
O'Donnell John

### **Municipal District of Lifford - Stranorlar**

Crawford Gerry  
Doherty Gary  
Doherty Liam  
Harley Martin  
Mc Brearty Frank  
Mc Gowan Patrick

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### **ELECTION OF CATHAOIRLEACH**

Cllr Harley welcomed the new members of Donegal County Council and their families to the meeting.

His year as Leas Chathaoirleach, he said, had been busy but fulfilling and he extended thanks to the members, the executive and all staff who had assisted in any way.

He paid tribute to the previous Cathaoirleach Cllr Seamus O' Domhnaill who he noted had been an outstanding Chair and an excellent ambassador for Donegal. He wished him every success in his future career.

Representatives from the various groupings paid tribute to Cllrs O' Domhnaill and Harley whom they both noted had ably represented Donegal at home and abroad over the past year. Welcome was extended to all the new members of Council.

The Chief Executive echoed these sentiments and said that he was looking forward to working with all the members over the coming years in order to enhance and develop the County.

The Leas- Chathaoirleach then invited nominations for the office of Cathaoirleach.

Cllr Mc Garvey proposed, seconded by Cllr Mc Mc Brearty that the position be filled by Cllr Nicholas Crossan. He said that Cllr Crossan had over 25 years experience in politics and had been a member of the former Buncrana Town Council. This, he said, would allow him to bring a wealth of experience to the position

As there were no other nominations , Cllr Crossan was deemed elected Cathaoirleach for 2019/2020.

Cllr Crossan thanked all who had supported his nomination. He was, he said well aware of the challenges that lay ahead and with the assistance of all the members and the executive would strive to represent those who had elected him to the best of his ability. He paid tribute to his own family members and close friends who had supported and assisted him over the last 25 years. He said that it was essential that the Council was seen to be open and transparent and that he intended to work with all the members and staff to ensure that this was the case.

Members of the Inishowen Municipal District congratulated him on his election. The Chief Executive said that he was looking forward to working with Cllr Crossan and that his humour, positivity and experience would assist him greatly over the coming year.

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#### ELECTION OF LEAS-CHATHAOIRLEACH

The Cathaoirleach invited nominations for the office of Leas Chathaoirleach.

Cllr Mc Brearty proposed, seconded by Cllr O' Donnell that the position be filled by Cllr Niamh Kennedy.

He said that she had proved to be an excellent councillor over the past five years and would do an excellent job as Leas-Chathaoirleach.

As there were no other nominations Cllr Kennedy was deemed elected Leas-Chathaoirleach for 2019/2020.

Cllr Kennedy thanked all who had supported her nomination and said that she was looking forward to the challenge of the coming year.

Members together with the Chief Executive extended their best wishes to Cllr Kennedy.

C/163/19 ELECTION OF CHAIRS DESIGNATE – STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEES

It was unanimously agreed to defer Item 3 to later in the meeting.

The Cathaoirleach said that there were a number of significant issues that the members were anxious to progress and address and thus it was proposed to set up the following committees:

- Mica Redress Committee
- Brexit Committee
- Fisheries Committee
- Agricultural Committee
- Emergency Planning Policy Committee
- Donegal County Health Committee

C/164/19 DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL MICA REDRESS COMMITTEE

Cllr Mc Dermott said that the Mica issue had been devastating for Inishowen in particular and that this was an issue that came up again and again on the doorsteps. The Council, he contended, needed to be ready to spring into action when the full details of the redress scheme were announced.

It was unanimously resolved in accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government Act, 2001 to establish the Donegal County Council Mica Redress Committee.

Cllrs Martin Mc Dermott, Liam Blaney, and Paul Canning were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllrs Albert Doherty, Jack Murray , Liam Doherty and Gerry Mc Monagle were proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllrs Frank Mc Brearty, John O' Donnell and Martin Farren were proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllr Bernard Mc Guinness and Cllr Jimmy Kavanagh were proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following elected to the MICA Redress Committee.**

**Cllrs Mc Dermott, Blaney, Canning, A Doherty, Murray, L Doherty, Mc Monagle, Mc Brearty, O' Donnell, Farren, Mc Guinness and Kavanagh.**

C/165/19 DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL BREXIT COMMITTEE  
Cllr Gallagher said that Brexit was a serious and challenging issue for the County and members were anxious to ensure that everything possible was done to ensure that Donegal was adequately prepared to deal with the fallout.

It was unanimously agreed in accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government Act, 2001 to establish the Donegal County Council Brexit Committee. There was further agreement that the Oireachtas members in the County should be included together with the 6 Strategic Policy Committee Chairs.

Cllr Micheál Naughton was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Gerry Mc Monagle was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Martin Harley was proposed by Cllr Harley.

Cllr Frank Mc Brearty was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following elected to the Donegal County Council Brexit Committee :-**

**Cllrs Naughton, Mc Monagle, Harley, and Mc Brearty together with the 6 Strategic Policy Committee Chairs**

C/166/19 DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL FISHERIES COMMITTEE

Cllr Kennedy said that fishing was an integral part of life in Donegal and that fishing interests needed additional help and support to deal with the many challenges facing the industry.

It was unanimously agreed in accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government Act, 2001 to establish the Donegal County Council Fisheries Committee and to invite representation from the main fishing groups and organisations in the County.

Cllrs Noreen Mc Garvey, Martin Mc Dermott and Liam Blaney were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllrs Noel Jordan and John S Ó Fearraigh were proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllrs Niamh Kennedy and Martin Farren were proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllrs Bernard Mc Guinness and Barry Sweeny were proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following elected to the Donegal County Fisheries Committee:-**

**Cllrs N Mc Garvey, Mc Dermott, Blaney, Jordan, Ó Fearraigh, Kennedy, Farren , Mc Guinness and Sweeny.**

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**DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE**

Cllr Mc Guinness said that it was important that the Council had an Agricultural Committee given that the Agri sector was the largest industry in the County. He cited the importance of this committee being able to liaise with the Oireachtas Members and the Minister for Agriculture.

It was unanimously agreed in accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government Act, 2001 to establish the Donegal County Council Agricultural Committee and to invite representation from the main agricultural organisations in the County.

Cllrs Liam Blaney, Anthony Molloy and Micheál Naughton were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllrs Liam Doherty and Noel Jordan were proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllrs Tom Conaghan and Ian Mc Garvey were proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllrs Michael Mc Clafferty and Bernard Mc Guinness were proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following elected to the Donegal County Agricultural Committee:-**

**Cllrs Blaney, Molloy, Naughton, L Doherty, Jordan, T Conaghan, Mc Garvey, Mc Clafferty, and Mc Guinness.**

C/168/19 DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMITTEE

Cllr Mc Gowan said that this committee was essential given the large and varied geography of the County and the number of severe weather events that had taken place in recent years.

It was unanimously agreed in accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government Act, 2001 to establish the Donegal County Emergency Response Committee with the following membership:-

- 5 Municipal District Chairs
- Cathaoirleach of the Day

C/169/19 DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HEALTH COMMITTEE

Cllr Gallagher said that whilst Donegal County Council did not have a direct role in health services there was no doubt that that it was major issue for the electorate. Funding deficits and cuts in health services she said were of grave concern to the public.

It was unanimously agreed in accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government Act, 2001 to establish the Donegal County Council Health Committee and to invite membership from amongst the following :

- Oireachtas Members
- Administrative Staff – Health services
- Health Service Representatives
- Various Health Lobby Groups



Cllrs Rena Donaghey, Manus Kelly and Donal Coyle were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllrs Albert Doherty, Noel Jordan, Michael Mc Mahon and Terry Crossan were proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllrs Niamh Kennedy, Michael Mc Bride and Ian Mc Garvey were proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllrs Jimmy Kavanagh and Bernard Mc Guinness were proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following elected to the Donegal County Health Committee :-**

**Cllrs Donaghey, Kelly, Coyle, A Doherty, Jordan, Mc Mahon, T Crossan, Kennedy, Mc Bride, Mc Garvey, Kavanagh and Mc Guinness.**

The Cathaoirleach said that the six new committees had been set up to deal with issues that were of considerable importance to the electorate and were in need of dedicated representation going forward.

He called for the employment of a Disability Officer and said it was imperative that a dedicated Housing Capital Unit was set up in each Municipal District. This he contended, needed to be backed up with the appointment of a Housing Liaison Officer for each of the districts in question.

The Cathaoirleach acknowledged the importance going forward of reviewing the Service Level Agreement with Irish Water. Continued support was needed also, he said, for the various community and tidy towns groups who carried out excellent work in their respective communities. He cited also the need to look at increased funding for Local Improvement Schemes.

The Meetings Administrator said that it would be useful if the members of the new Council Committees met firstly to elect the various chairpersons and to set their respective terms of reference and consider appropriate external representation on the committee.

C/170/19 ELECTION OF CHAIRS DESIGNATE – STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

Cllrs Ciaran Brogan and Paul Canning were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllrs Gary Doherty and Marie T Gallagher were proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr John O’ Donnell was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllr Bernard Mc Guinness was proposed by Cllr Harley.

**Thus Cllrs Brogan, Canning, G Doherty, Gallagher, O’ Donnell and Mc Guinness were elected Chairs Designate of the 6 Strategic Policy Committees.**

C/171/19 ESTABLISHMENT OF CORPORATE POLICY GROUP

The establishment of the Corporate Policy Group was unanimously agreed in accordance with Section 133 of the Local Government Act, 2001 as amended by Section 48 of the Local Government Reform Act, 2014.

This it was agreed would consist of the 6 Strategic Policy Committee Chairs together with the Cathaoirleach of the Day.

This following were deemed elected to the Corporate Policy Group:-

**Cllr Paul Canning - Inishowen MD  
Cllr Ciaran Brogan – Letterkenny MD  
Cllr Gary Doherty – Lifford –Stranorlar MD  
Cllr Marie Therese Gallagher – Glenties MD  
Cllr John O’ Donnell – Letterkenny- Milford MD  
Cllr Bernard Mc Guinness – Inishowen MD  
Cathaoirleach of the Day.**

C/172/19 ESTABLISHMENT AND ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE DONEGAL LOCAL TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

It was unanimously agreed in accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government Act, 2001 to establish the Donegal Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee to consist of 6 No Elected Members and, 3 No Traveller representatives and 3 No Officials.

Cllrs Ciaran Brogan and Paul Canning were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllrs Terry Crossan and Michael Mc Mahon were proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Micheál Choilm Mac Giolla Easbuig was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllr Jimmy Kavanagh was proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following elected to the Donegal Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee:-**

**Cllrs Brogan, Canning, T Crossan, Mc Mahon, Mac Giolla Easbuig and Kavanagh.**

**The following officials it was noted would also serve on the committee:-**

- **Mr Joe Peoples**  
**Director Housing, Corporate & Cultural Services.**
- **Mr Patsy Lafferty**  
**Divisional Manager, Housing & Corporate Services**
- **Mr Fergus Mc Ateer**  
**Traveller Accommodation Officer**

C/173/19 ESTABLISHMENT AND ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO COISTE NA GAELIGE

It was unanimously agreed to establish Coiste na Gaeilge in accordance with Section 51, of the Local Government Act, 2001, (with a total membership of 12 i.e. two per Municipal District and 4 from the Glenties Municipal District Committee.

Cllrs Anthony Molloy, Noreen Mc Garvey, and Donal Coyle were proposed by Cllr Brogan. He confirmed that one other nominee was yet to be selected from the Fianna Fáil grouping.

Cllrs Terry Crossan, John S Ó Fearraigh, Albert Doherty and Noel Jordan were proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllrs Niamh Kennedy, Frank Mc Brearty and Micheál Choilm Mac Giolla Easbuig were proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllr Michael Mc Clafferty was proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following elected to Coiste na Gaeilge:-**

**Cllrs Molloy, N Mc Garvey, Coyle, T Crossan, J S Ó Fearraigh, A Doherty, Jordan , Kennedy , Mac Giolla Easbuig , Mc Brearty and Mc Clafferty**

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ESTABLISHMENT AND ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL JOINT POLICING COMMITTEE

It was unanimously agreed to establish the County Donegal Joint Policing Committee in accordance with Section 51, of the Local Government Act, 2001, and the Garda Síochána Act, 2005 with the following membership:-

- 15 Local Authority Members.
- Cathaoirleach as an Ex-Officio Member.
- Chief Executive Officer as an Ex Officio Member and his nominee.
- 9 Members of the Oireachtas.
- 2 Garda Officers
- 7 Persons from the Community & Voluntary Sector.

Cllrs Gerry Crawford, Donal Coyle, Paul Canning, Micheál Naughton, and Noreen Mc Garvey were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllrs Gerry Mc Monagle, Terry Crossan, Michael Mc Mahon, and Liam Doherty were proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllrs Kevin Bradley, Nicholas Crossan , Frank Mc Brearty and Michael Mc Bride were proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllrs Barry Sweeny and Michael Mc Clafferty were proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following elected to the Donegal County Joint Policing Committee 2019 - 2024:-**

**Cllrs Crawford, Coyle, Canning, Naughton, N Mc Garvey, Mc Monagle, T Crossan, Mc Mahon, L Doherty, Bradley, N Crossan , Mc Brearty, Mc Bride, Sweeny and Mc Clafferty.**

*Cllr N Crossan as Cathaoirleach of the Day.*

C/175/19 ESTABLISHMENT AND ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

It was unanimously agreed to establish the Donegal County Council Audit Committee in accordance with Section 51, of the Local Government Act, 2001 with the following membership:-

- 2 No Councillors
- 3 No Nominees of the Chief Executive.

Cllr Martin Mc Dermott was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Noel Jordan was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following elected to the Donegal County Council Audit Committee :-**

**Cllrs Mc Dermott and Jordan.**

C/176/19 ESTABLISHMENT AND ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE ISLANDS COMMITTEE

It was unanimously agreed to establish the Donegal County Council Islands Committee in accordance with Section 51, of the Local Government Act, 2001 with the following membership:-

All members of the Glenties Municipal District and the Milford Electoral Area.

Islands Representation

- Owey
- Rutland
- Inis Caorach
- Island Roy

- Gola
- Inishboffin
- Tory
- Aranmore
- Inisfree
- Inishinney
- Inis Oirthir
- Inis Meáin
- Small Islands Federation
- Department of the Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht.

This was unanimously agreed.

C/177/19 ESTABLISHMENT AND ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL VALUE FOR MONEY COMMITTEE

It was unanimously agreed to establish the Donegal County Council Value for Money Committee in accordance with Section 51, of the Local Government Act, 2001.

Cllrs Manus Kelly, Gerry Crawford, and Patrick Mc Gowan were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllrs Noel Jordan, Liam Doherty and Terry Crossan were proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Ian Mc Garvey was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllr Barry Sweeny was proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following elected to the Donegal County Council Value for Money Committee :-**

**Cllrs Kelly, Crawford, Mc Gowan, Jordan, L Doherty, T Crossan, Mc Garvey, and Sweeny.**

**Cllr Nicholas Crossan as Cathaoirleach of the Day.**

C/178/19 ESTABLISHMENT AND ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE CULTURAL COMMITTEE

It was unanimously agreed to establish the Donegal County Council Cultural Committee in accordance with Section 51, of the Local Government Act, 2001, with a membership of

37. This membership to include each member of Donegal County Council or his/her nominee.

C/179/19 ESTABLISHMENT AND ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE DONEGAL LOCAL AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

It was unanimously agreed to establish the Donegal County Local and Community Development Committee in accordance with Section 51, of the Local Government Act, 2001 to include the following membership:-

- Chief Executive Officer and his Nominee.
- 3 No Elected Members
- 4 No representatives – State Agencies
- 2 No Representatives from the Local & Community Development Sector.
- 8 No Reps from Social, Economic and Community Interests.

Cllr Martin Mc Dermott was proposed by Cllr Brogan .

Cllr Marie T Gallagher was proposed by Cllr Gallagher

Cllr Niamh Kennedy was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following elected to the Donegal Local & Community Development Committee:-**

**Cllrs Mc Dermott, Gallagher and Kennedy.**

C/180/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE DONEGAL HERITAGE FORUM

It was unanimously agreed to establish the Donegal Heritage Forum with the following membership:-

- 5 No Elected Members (1 per Municipal District)
- Chairperson Planning Strategic Policy Committee
- Heritage Officer- Donegal County Council
- Curator –Donegal County Museum
- Conservation Officer- Community & Planning
- 1No Representative Central Planning Unit
- 1No Representative, Environment Section
- 1No Representative Local Development
- 1No Representative Coillte

- 1 No Representative Service National Monuments
- 1 No Representative Service National Parks & Wildlife
- 1 No Representative Fáilte Ireland
- 1 No Representative Teagasc
- 1 No Representative Udarás na Gaeltachta
  
- 1 No Representative L.Y.I.T
- 1 No Representative Irish Farmers Association
- 1 No Representative PPN Network – Heritage Linkage Groups
  
- 1 No Representative An Taisce
- 2 No Representatives Donegal Heritage Network
- 1 No Representative Donegal Historical Society
- 1 No Representative Ulster Architectural Heritage Society

Cllrs Noreen Mc Garvey and Donal Coyle were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Liam Doherty was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Barry Sweeny was proposed by Cllr Harley.

Cllr Martin Farren was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following elected to the Donegal Heritage Forum:-**

**Cllrs N Mc Garvey, Coyle, L Doherty, Sweeny and Farren.**

C/181/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE DONEGAL YOUTH COUNCIL EXPERT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

It was unanimously agreed to establish the Donegal Youth Council Expert Advisory Committee in accordance with Section 51, of the Local Government Act, 2001.

Cllr Noreen Mc Garvey was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr John S Ó Fearraigh was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.



**This was unanimously agreed and the following elected to the Donegal Youth Council Expert Advisory Committee:-**

**Cllrs N Mc Garvey and Ó Fearraigh.**

C/182/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO DISABILITY STRATEGY COMMITTEE

It was unanimously agreed to establish the Disability Strategy Committee in accordance with Section 51, of the Local Government Act, 2001.

Cllrs Paul Canning and Anthony Molloy were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Noel Jordan was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Frank Mc Brearty was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllr Jimmy Kavanagh was proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following elected to the Disability Strategy Committee:-**

**Cllrs Canning, Molloy, Jordan, Mc Brearty and Kavanagh.**

C/183/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO DONEGAL PEACE IV PARTNERSHIP BOARD

It was unanimously agreed to establish the Donegal Peace IV Partnership Board in accordance with Section 51, of the Local Government Act, 2001 with the following membership;

**3 No of the 6 Strategic Policy Committee Chairs. (To be agreed by the SPC Chairs Designate)**

**This was unanimously agreed.**

C/184/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE COUNTY DONEGAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING BOARD

Cllrs Noreen McGarvey, Donal Coyle, and Rena Donaghey were proposed by Cllr Brogan

Cllrs Albert Doherty, Gary Doherty , Noel Jordan and John S Ó Fearraigh were proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllrs Michael Mc Bride, Ian Mc Garvey and Martin Farren were proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllrs Barry Sweeny and Martin Harley were proposed by Cllr Harley.

This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed to the County Donegal Education and Training Board:-

**Cllrs N Mc Garvey, Coyle, Donaghey, A Doherty, G Doherty, Jordan , Ó Fearraigh, Mc Bride, Mc Garvey, Farren, Sweeny and Harley**

C/185/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE REGIONAL HEALTH FORUM WEST

Cllrs Ciaran Brogan and Gerry Crawford were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllrs Albert Doherty and Gerry Mc Monagle were proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Tom Conaghan was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed to represent Donegal County Council on the Regional Health Forum West:-**

**Cllrs Brogan, Crawford, A Doherty, Mc Monagle and Conaghan.**

C/186/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE NORTHERN & WESTERN REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

Members were asked that consideration be given to ensuring an appropriate gender balance.

Cllr Patrick Mc Gowan was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Jack Murray was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Mc Brearty was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed to represent Donegal County Council on the Northern & Western Regional Assembly:-**

**Cllrs Mc Gowan, Murray and Mc Brearty.**

C/187/19 ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES TO COUNTY ENTERPRISE FUND

Cllr Manus Kelly was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Michael Mc Mahon was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed to represent Donegal County Council on the County Enterprise Fund:-**

**Cllrs Kelly and Mc Mahon.**

C/188/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE ASSOCIATION OF IRISH LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AILG)

Members considered the report circulated with the agenda in relation to the above.

Cllr Patrick Mc Gowan was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Gerry Mc Monagle was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Nicholas Crossan was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to the Association of Irish Local Government:-**

**Cllrs Mc Gowan, Mc Monagle and Crossan.**

C/189/19 ELECTION OF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS ASSOCIATION DELEGATE

Cllr Blaney was proposed by Cllr Brogan for the period 2019 -2022.

Cllr Kavanagh was proposed by Cllr Harley for the period 2022-2024.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council Delegates to the Local Authority Members Association:-**

**Cllr Blaney - 2019-2022**

**Cllr Kavanagh. - 2022-2024**

C/190/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO INISHOWEN DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP

It was unanimously agreed to refer selection of same to the Inishowen Municipal District Committee for consideration.

C/191/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO DONEGAL LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY CLG

Cllr Patrick Mc Gowan was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Noel Jordan was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Kevin Bradley was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to Donegal Local Development Company CLG:-**

**Cllrs Mc Gowan, Jordan and Bradley.**

C/192/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO ERNACT EEIG BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

Cllr Rena Donaghey was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Jack Murray was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council Representatives to the ERNACT EEIG Board of Management:-**

**Cllrs Donaghey and Murray.**

C/193/19 ELECTION OF MEMBER TO IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES LTD

Cllr Michael Mc Clafferty was proposed by Cllr Harley for the period 2019-2022.

Cllr Michael Mc Bride was proposed by Cllr Kennedy for the period 2022-2024.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd:-**

**Cllr Mc Clafferty 2019-2022**

**Cllr Michael Mc Bride 2022-2024**

C/194/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO NORTH WEST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Cllrs Paul Canning and Ciaran Brogan were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllrs Albert Doherty and Gerry Mc Monagle were proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Martin Farren was proposed by Cllr Farren.

Cllr Bernard Mc Guinness was proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to the North West Regional Development Group:-**

**Cllrs Canning, Brogan, A Doherty, Mc Monagle, Farren and Mc Guinness.**

C/195/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO IRISH CENTRAL BORDER AREA NETWORK LTD

Cllrs Micheál Naughton and Patrick Mc Gowan were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Gary Doherty was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Frank Mc Brearty was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to Irish Central Border Area Networks Ltd:-**

**Cllrs Naughton, Mc Gowan, G Doherty and Mc Brearty.**

C/196/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO DONEGAL LOCAL SPORTS PARTNERSHIP CLG

Members asked that the DLSP be contacted with regard to increasing the number of representatives from the Council.

Cllr Anthony Molloy was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Michael Mc Mahon was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Michael Mc Bride was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllr Jimmy Kavanagh was proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to Donegal Local Sports Partnership:-**

**Cllrs Molloy and Mc Mahon.**

Donegal Local Sports Partnership to be contacted with regard to the selection of Cllrs Mc Bride and Kavanagh.

C/197/19 ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVE AND SUBSITUTE TO CONFERENCE OF PERIPHERAL MARITIME REGIONS (CPMR)

Cllr Niamh Kennedy was proposed by Cllr Gallagher for the period 2019- 2021.

Cllr John S Ó Fearraigh was proposed by Cllr Gallagher for the period 2021-2024

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions:**

**Cllr Kennedy 2019 -2021**

**Cllr Ó Fearraigh 2021-2024**

Members were informed that the CPMR Political Bureau Meeting would be taking place in Donegal Town on the 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.

C/198/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO LATCH LTD

Cllr Gerry Crawford was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Gary Doherty was proposed by Cllr Gallagher

Cllr Martin Harley was proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to LATCH Ltd:-**

**Cllrs Crawford, G Doherty and Harley.**

C/199/19 ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES TO COLMCILLE HERITAGE TRUST

Cllrs Manus Kelly and Donal Coyle were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Gerry Mc Monagle was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Michael Mc Bride was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllr Michael Mc Clafferty was proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to Colmcille Heritage Trust:-**

**Cllrs Kelly, Coyle, Mc Monagle, Mc Bride and Mc Clafferty.**

C/200/19 ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES TO ERNE ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY CLG

Cllr Michael Mc Mahon was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Micheál Naughton was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to Erne Enterprise Development CLG:-**

**Cllrs Mc Mahon and Naughton.**

C/201/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO BOARD OF FORT DUNREE MILITARY MUSEUM

Cllr Rena Donaghey was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Nicholas Crossan was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to the Board of Fort Dunree Military Museum:-**

**Cllrs Donaghey and N Crossan.**

C/202/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO EARAGIL ARTS FESTIVAL CLG

Cllr Martin Mc Dermott was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Gary Doherty was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Ian Mc Garvey was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to Earagail Arts Festival CLG:**

**Cllrs Mc Dermott, G Doherty and I Mc Garvey**

C/203/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO LETTERKENNY THEATRE MANAGEMENT COMPANY LTD

Cllr Donal Coyle and Mr Iarla Mc Gowan were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Gerry Mc Monagle was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Kevin Bradley was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to Letterkenny Theatre Management Company Ltd:-**

**Cllrs Coyle, Mc Monagle and Bradley together with Mr Iarla Mc Gowan.**

C/204/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF BALLYSHANNON LEISURE CENTRE

Cllr Michael Mc Mahon was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Barry Sweeny was proposed by Cllr Harley.

Cllr Naughton was proposed by Cllr Brogan.



**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to the Management Committee of Ballyshannon Leisure Centre :-**

**Cllrs Mc Mahon, Sweeny and Naughton.**

C/205/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF BUNDORAN WATERWORLD LTD

Cllr Naughton was proposed by Cllr Brogan who confirmed that a further nomination on behalf of the Fianna Fáil grouping would be provided at a later date.

Cllr Barry Sweeny was proposed by Cllr Harley.

Cllr Michael Mc Mahon was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to the Board of Bundoran Waterworld Ltd:-  
Cllrs Naughton, Sweeny and Mc Mahon.**

C/206/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO LETTERKENNY SPORTS COMPLEX DEVELOPMENT LTD

It was unanimously agreed to refer selection of same to the Letterkenny Municipal District Committee for consideration.

C/207/19 ELECTION OF MEMBER TO THE STRENGTHENING FAMILIES PROGRAMME ADVISORY BOARD – NW ALCOHOL FORUM

Cllr Martin Harley was proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and Cllr Harley was appointed as Donegal County Council representative to the Strengthening Families Programme Advisory Board – NW Alcohol Forum.**

C/208/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF FINN VALLEY LEISURE CENTRE LTD

Cllr Patrick Mc Gowan was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Liam Doherty was proposed by Cllr Gallagher.

Cllr Frank Mc Brearty was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllr Martin Harley was proposed by Cllr Harley

**This was unanimously agreed and the following appointed as Donegal County Council representatives to the Board of Finn Valley Leisure Centre Ltd:-**

**Cllrs Mc Gowan, L Doherty, Mc Brearty and Harley.**

C/209/19 ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE DONEGAL TOURISM ASSOCIATE MEMBERS COMMITTEE  
Cllrs Micheál Naughton and Martin Mc Dermott were proposed by Cllr Brogan.

Cllr Gary Doherty was proposed by Cllr Gallagher

Cllr John O' Donnell was proposed by Cllr Kennedy.

Cllr Michael Mc Clafferty was proposed by Cllr Harley.

**This was unanimously agreed and that the following together with the Cathaoirleach of the Day would be the Donegal County Council representatives to the Donegal Tourism Associate Members Committee;-**

**Cllrs Naughton, Mc Dermott, G Doherty, O' Donnell and Mc Clafferty.**

C/210/19 APPOINTMENT OF THE CATHAOIRLEACH OF THE DAY TO THE BOARD OF DONEGAL TOURISM LTD  
It was unanimously agreed that the Cathaoirleach of the Day would be the Donegal County Council representative on the Board of Donegal Tourism Ltd.

C/211/19 COMHAR NA NOILEÁN C.T.R  
Cllr Anthony Molloy was proposed by Cllr Brogan.

**This was unanimously agreed and Cllr Molloy was appointed as the Donegal County Council representative to Comhar na nOileán C.T.R.**

C/212/19 TO AGREE DATES FOR FIRST MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF EACH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Members unanimously agreed the following dates for the meetings of each Municipal District Committee:-

- The First Annual Meeting of the Letterkenny- Milford Municipal District Committee to be held at 11am on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.
- The First Annual Meeting of the Glenties Municipal District Committee to be held at 11am on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.
- The First Annual Meeting of the Lifford –Stranorlar Municipal District Committee to be held at 9am on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 in the County House, Lifford.
- The First Annual Meeting of the Donegal Municipal District Committee to be held at 10am on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.
- The First Annual Meeting of the Inishowen Municipal District Committee to be held at 10am on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.

C/213/19 INDUCTION TRAINING – ELECTED MEMBERS

Members were informed that the Association of Irish Local Government was holding induction training for elected members on the 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 in the Mullingar Park Hotel, Co Westmeath.

It was unanimously agreed and having noted the revised arrangements under Section 142 5(d) of the Local Government Act, 2001, introduced by the Local Government (Expenses of Local Authority Members) Regulations 2006 - 2018 as amended and directives issued by the Minister in that regard, that any member, who so wished could attend the above training seminar subject to normal procedures.

C/214/19 ADVISORY NOTE ON SPECIFIC OBLIGATIONS ON ELECTED MEMBERS

The Meetings Administrator drew Members attention to their obligations under the Local Elections(Disclosure of

Donations and expenditure) Act, 1999, as amended and the necessity on members and unsuccessful candidates to furnish returns of election expenditure incurred and donations received , where appropriate by the 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 2019.

He further advised in relation to the obligation on new Members to furnish an Ethics Declaration of Interest within 6 weeks of the 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2019.

Members were informed of their obligations under Section 141 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and the duty of Members appointed to other bodies to present a report on the activities and operation of that body.

The Meetings Administrator noted that there was an onus on Members to comply with the requirements of Section 141(a) of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Section 53(1) of the Local Government Reform Act, 2014. This it was noted placed an onus on Members to notify the Authority of their attendance at meetings of all bodies to which they had been nominated by the Authority and to submit within 15 working days a written report on all authorised attendance at conferences and events.

This concluded the business of the meeting.