

## **Borough District of Drogheda – 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2019**

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Minutes of the Annual and Inaugural Meeting of the Borough District of Drogheda held on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 4.00 p.m. Barlow House, Drogheda.

### **In attendance:**

**Members:** Cllrs: Paul Bell, James Byrne, Joanna Byrne, Kevin Callan, Tom Cunningham, Michelle Hall, Paddy McQuillan, Pio Smith, Oliver Tully

**Officials:** Mark Johnston, Senior Engineer  
Aoife Lawler, A/Director of Services  
Alan Sherry, Meetings Administrator

### **Minute No. 66/19**

#### **Election of Mayor**

The meetings administrator facilitated the election of the Mayor of the Borough District by the members by seeking nominations.

Cllr. Paul Bell was proposed by Cllr. Pio Smith and seconded by Cllr. Oliver Tully  
Cllr. Joanna Byrne was proposed by Cllr. Tom Cunningham and seconded by Cllr. Joanna Byrne

A roll call vote was taken

**For Cllr. Paul Bell (6):** Cllrs. Paul Bell, James Byrne, Kevin Callan, Michelle Hall, Pio Smith, Oliver Tully

**For Cllr. Joanna Byrne (2):** Cllrs. Joanna Byrne, Tom Cunningham

**Abstain:** Cllr. Paddy McQuillan

Cllr. Paul Bell was elected Mayor of Drogheda Municipal District for the ensuing year. The Mayor thanked the members for their support and thanked the outgoing Mayor. He also commiserated with former members who were unsuccessful in the election. He stressed the need for people to work together in the best interests of Drogheda. He emphasised the need to address the need for housing, to support businesses and to respect workers on low incomes. He acknowledged the work of the city status volunteers but emphasised the need to restore the town councils.

## **Minute No. 67/19**

### **Election of Deputy Mayor**

Cllr. Michelle Hall was proposed by Cllr. Pio Smith and seconded by Cllr. James Byrne  
Cllr. Tom Cunningham was proposed by Cllr. Joanna Byrne and seconded by Cllr. Tom Cunningham

A roll call vote was taken

**For Cllr. Michelle Hall (6):** Cllrs. Paul Bell, James Byrne, Kevin Callan, Michelle Hall, Pio Smith, Oliver Tully

**For Cllr. Tom Cunningham (2):** Cllrs. Joanna Byrne, Tom Cunningham

**Abstain:** Cllr. Paddy McQuillan

## **Minute No. 68/19**

### **Nomination of Board Member to Droichead Arts Centre**

Cllr. Joanna Byrne was proposed by Cllr. Pio Smith, seconded by Cllr. Kevin Callan and agreed by the members

## **Minute No. 69/19**

### **Nomination of Representative to Louth Drugs and Alcohol Forum**

Cllr. Paddy McQuillan was proposed by Cllr. Pio Smith, seconded by Cllr. Kevin Callan and agreed by the members

## **Minute No. 70/19**

The issue of the time of the meetings was discussed and it was proposed by Cllr. P. Smith, seconded by Joanna Byrne and agreed by the members to change the start time of the monthly meetings to 4.15 pm.

## **Minute No. 71/19**

The members then congratulated the Mayor and wished him well and commended the outgoing Mayor, Frank Godfrey for his service to the town of Drogheda

The meeting then concluded

The Minutes were confirmed at a meeting of the Council held on:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting Administrator: \_\_\_\_\_