



Comhairle Contae Lú
Louth County Council

Cruinniú Cinn Bhliana Ceantar Buirge Dhroichead Átha - Borough District of Drogheda Annual General Meeting - 2025

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Borough District of Drogheda, held at Fair Street, Drogheda – Monday, 9th June 2025 at 4:15pm

In attendance

Cathaoirleach: Mayor Cllr Paddy McQuillan

Members: Councillor(s) James Byrne, Kevin Callan, Eric Donovan, Anne-Marie Ford, Michelle Hall, Debbie McCole, Ejiro O'Hare Stratton, Declan Power, Pío Smith

Apologies: None

Officials: Thomas McEvoy, Deputy Chief Executive
David Jones, Director of Service
Sinéad Dooley, Meetings Administrator
Sharon Keaveney, Assistant Staff Officer

Minute No. 55/25

Election of Mayor

Outgoing Mayor, Councillor Paddy McQuillan, thanked his fellow Councillors, Deputy Mayor Cllr Pío Smith and Council Officials for their support and encouragement throughout what he described as an 'incredible year'. He noted that it had been a year of change from the development of the new offices at Fair Street to the appointment of a new Chief Executive but highlighted that it had also been a year of many successes and wished his successor an 'amazing' year.

Members congratulated Cllr McQuillan on his term as Mayor highlighting his steadfast commitment to the people of Drogheda, his leadership, inclusivity and the 'great pride and respect' he had demonstrated towards the office he held throughout the year.

On behalf of Louth County Council Deputy Chief Executive, Thomas McEvoy, congratulated Cllr McQuillan for the pride and dignity he had brought to the office of Mayor and thanked him for all his work throughout the year.

Mayor Cllr McQuillan then called for nominations for the position of Mayor for the Borough District of Drogheda for the 2025 – 2026 term of office.

Cllr Michelle Hall was nominated on the
Proposal of: Cllr Pio Smith
Seconded by: Cllr Paddy McQuillan

As no other candidates were nominated and Cllr Hall did not reject the nomination, Cllr Michelle Hall was duly deemed elected as Mayor of the Borough District of Drogheda for the 2025-2026 term in accordance with Section 37 (b) of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended.

On assuming her position as Mayor, Cllr Michelle Hall expressed her 'absolute pleasure' at being elected as Mayor for a second time and thanked Members for entrusting her with the Office of Mayor. She asserted her commitment to work collaboratively with stakeholders and to ensure the voice of Drogheda is 'heard loud and clear' noting that the role of Mayor is highly regarded and 'belonged to the people of Drogheda'.

Minute No. 56/25

Election of Deputy Mayor

Mayor Cllr Hall called for nominations for Deputy Mayor.

Cllr Declan Power was nominated on the
Proposal of: Cllr Pio Smith
Seconded by: Cllr Michelle Hall

As no other candidates were nominated and Cllr Power did not reject the nomination, Cllr Declan Power was duly deemed elected as Deputy Mayor of the Borough District of Drogheda for the 2025-2026 term in accordance with Section 37 (b) of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended.

Minute No. 57/25

To confirm the Schedule of Borough District Meetings of Drogheda Borough Municipal District

Members agreed to continue with the established schedule of meetings (1st Monday of each month, excluding August, at 4:15pm).

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

Date: 7th July 2025,

Mayor: Michelle Hall.

Meetings Administrator: Juan Deery