



Comhairle Contae Lú
Louth County Council

Cruinniú de Cheanta Bhaile Átha Fhirdia / Municipal District of Ardee

Minutes of the 2024 Annual Meeting of the Municipal District of Ardee hosted in the Dermot O'Brien Room, Ardee Civic Offices, Ardee on Thursday 27th June at 4:30pm

In attendance:

Cathaoirleach: **Councillor:** Dolores Minogue

Members: **Councillor(s):** Paula Butterly, Bernie Conlon, Pearse McGeough, John Sheridan, Jim Tenanty

Apologies: **Councillor(s):** None

Officials: Bernie Woods, Director of Services
Gráinne Tuomey, Meetings Administrator

Minute No. 47/24

Election of Cathaoirleach

Cathaoirleach Dolores Minogue welcomed all the Members of Ardee Municipal District back following the 2024 local elections. She advised that it had been her great honour to serve as Cathaoirleach of the district, with many highs and lows over the year. Cllr Minogue confirmed that she had enjoyed her year as Cathaoirleach and thanked her colleagues for working hard together for the betterment of the district.

Cllr Minogue then called for nominations for the Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Ardee 2024 - 2025.

Cllr John Sheridan was nominated on the
Proposal of : Cllr Paula Butterly
Seconded by: Cllr Dolores Minogue

Cllr Bernie Conlon was nominated on the
Proposal of: Cllr Pearse McGeough
Seconded by: Cllr Bernie Conlon

As neither candidate rejected the nomination, there were therefore 2 valid candidates for Cathaoirleach. In accordance with Section 37(g) of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended, a vote was called for as follows:

Councillor	Nominee Sheridan	-	Nominee Conlon	-	Abstain	Absent
Butterly Paula	1					
Conlon Bernie			1			

McGeough Pearse		1		
Minogue Dolores	1			
Sheridan John	1			
Tenanty Jim	1			
	4	2	0	0

And Cllr John Sheridan was elected Cathaoirleach of Ardee MD for the 2024-2025 term.

Cllr Sheridan thanked Members for his nomination and for electing him as Cathaoirleach, congratulated Cllr Conlon on her nomination, and commented that all members of Ardee work well together and committed to treat all with fairness and inclusivity.

Members spoke to congratulate Cllr Sheridan with the Cathaoirleach described as a wonderful coordinator of correspondence and tech.

Separately Cllr McGeough expressed unhappiness about alleged pact arrangements made prior to the annual meetings by parties, although he did also wish Cllr Sheridan well. Cllr Butterly spoke to refute comments made by Cllr McGeough and advised she took exception to his use of the word 'grubby'. Cllr Tenanty also expressed disappointment advising that Ardee Municipal was a group and worked as a group.

Minute No. 48/24

Election of Leas-Chathaoirleach

An Cathaoirleach Cllr John Sheridan called for nominations for Leas-Chathaoirleach.

Cllr Pearse McGeough was nominated on the

Proposal of: Cllr Bernie Conlon

Seconded by: Cllr Pearse McGeough

Cllr Jim Tenanty was nominated on the

Proposal of: Cllr Dolores Minogue

Seconded by: Cllr Paula Butterly

As there were 2 candidates, in accordance with Section 37(g) a poll was taken as follows:

Councillor	Nominee McGeough	- Nominee Tenanty	- Abstain	Absent
Butterly Paula		1		
Conlon Bernie	1			
McGeough Pearse	1			
Minogue Dolores		1		
Sheridan John		1		
Tenanty Jim		1		
	2	4	0	0

And Cllr Jim Tenanty was elected as Leas-Chathaoirleach.

Congratulations were offered to Cllr Tenanty on his appointment.

Minute No. 49/24

To confirm the Schedule of Meetings of Ardee Municipal District

Members considered the annual schedule of meetings as set out before them, noting the proposed change from the first week in January to the second week, and no meeting in August.

Approval of the Schedule was

Proposed by: Cllr John Sheridan

Seconded by: Cllr Jim Tenanty

And agreed by all Members.

Minute No. 50/24

Placenames Committee

- Schedule 10, Para. 4(4)(a) of the Local Government Act, 2001 as amended.
- To appoint 1 member to Committee.

An Cathaoirleach called for nominations for the Placenames Committee.

Cllr John Sheridan was nominated on the

Proposal of: Cllr Paula Butterly, and

Seconded by: Cllr Jim Tenanty

And as there were no other nominees, Cllr Sheridan was thus appointed.

Minute No. 51/24

Louth PEACEPLUS Partnership

- Schedule 10, Para. 4(4)(a) of the Local Government Act, 2001 as amended.
- To appoint 2 members to Committee.

An Cathaoirleach called for nominations for the Placenames Committee.

Cllr Dolores Minogue was nominated on the

Proposal of: Cllr Paula Butterly, and this was

Seconded by: Cllr Jim Tenanty

Cllr Pearse McGeough was nominated on the

Proposal of: Cllr, Bernie Conlon, and this was

Seconded by: Cllr Pearse McGeough

As there were no other nominations and this satisfied the number of candidates required from the Municipal District to be appointed to the PEACEPLUS Partnership, Cllrs Minogue and McGeough were deemed appointed.

An Cathaoirleach then announced the closing of the meeting.

A discussion took place thereafter on working groups and committees which did not form part of the meeting.

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

Date: 5/9/24
Cathaoirleach: Seán Ó Sioradain
Meeting Administrator: 