



Comhairle Contae Lú
Louth County Council

Cruinniú Ginearálta Bliantúil de Cheanta Bhaile Átha Fhirdia / Annual General Meeting of Municipal District of Ardee – June 2025

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Municipal District of Ardee hosted in the Dermot O'Brien Room, Ardee Civic Offices on Thursday, 5th June 2025, at 4:30 pm.

In attendance:

Cathaoirleach: Councillor John Sheridan

Members: Councillor(s) Bernie Conlon, Rachel Kerley, Pearse McGeough, Jim Tenanty, Dolores Minogue

Apologies: None

Officials: Bernie Woods, Head of Finance
David Jones, Director of Services
Mark Johnston, Senior Engineer
John O'Hagan, Senior Engineer
Edel O'Neill, Executive Engineer
Sinéad Dooley, Meeting Administrator
Anna Nowacka, Clerical Officer

Minute No. 47/25

Election of Cathaoirleach

The Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Ardee, Cllr John Sheridan, thanked his fellow Councillors, Leas Cathaoirleach Cllr Jim Tenanty, Council Officials and the media for their support and the courtesy extended to him over the last 12 months. He noted that it had been a particularly busy year, but had at all times been a year of successful collaboration.

Members extended their gratitude to Cllr Sheridan and commended his professionalism and demonstration of fairness, particularly in negotiating and finalising the Discretionary Funding Budget for the Municipal District of Ardee.

An Cathaoirleach, Cllr Sheridan, then called for nominees for his replacement for the 2025-2026 term of office.

Cllr Dolores Minogue was nominated on the:

Proposal of: Cllr Rachel Kerley

Seconded by: Cllr Jim Tenanty

Cllr Pearse McGeough was nominated on the:

Proposal of: Cllr Bernie Conlon

Seconded by: Cllr Pearse McGeough

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 No. 1 – Cllr Minogue	Nominee No. 2 – Cllr McGeough	Abstain	Absent
Conlon, Bernie		1		
McGeough, Pearse		1		
Minogue, Dolores	1			
Sheridan, John	1			
Tenanty, Jim	1			
Kerley, Rachel	1			
Result	4	2		

And Cllr Dolores Minogue was elected Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Ardee for the 2025-2026 term.

Cllr Minogue thanked Members for her nomination and for electing her as Cathaoirleach, stating that she was both 'humbled and honoured'.

Members spoke to congratulate Cllr Minogue on her election to Cathaoirleach, while Cllr McGeough expressed his unhappiness with alleged party pact arrangements, noting that the Members of the Municipal District of Ardee 'work well together until the AGM'. Nevertheless, he wished Cllr Minogue the very best on the year ahead.

Minute No. 48/25

Election of Leas-Cathaoirleach

An Cathaoirleach, Cllr Dolores Minogue, called for nominations for Leas-Cathaoirleach.

Cllr John Sheridan was nominated on the

Proposal of: Cllr Jim Tenanty

Seconded by: Cllr Rachel Kerley

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 Leas-Cathaoirleach. In accordance with Section 37(g) of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended, a vote was called for as follows:

Councillor	Nominee No. 1 – Cllr Sheridan	Nominee No. 2 – Cllr Conlon	Abstain	Absent
Conlon, Bernie		1		
McGeough, Pearse		1		
Minogue, Dolores	1			

Sheridan, John	1			
Tenanty, Jim	1			
Kerley, Rachel	1			
Result	4	2		

And Cllr John Sheridan was elected Leas-Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Ardee for the 2025-2026 term.

Congratulations were extended to Cllr Sheridan on his appointment.

Minute No. 49/25

To agree a schedule of Municipal District of Ardee Meetings

The schedule of meetings to continue as is (1st Thursday of each month, excluding August, at 4:30 pm) with agreement that one meeting should be convened at Market House.

The Minutes were confirmed on:

Date:

3rd July 2025

Cathaoirleach:

D. Miny

Meeting Administrator:

Lois Deery