

**COMHAIRLE CATHRACH AGUS CONTAE PHORT LÁIRGE  
WATERFORD CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL**

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE DUNGARVAN LISMORE DISTRICT HELD ON 9<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2025  
at 4.00pm in Council Chambers, Civic Offices, Dungarvan

**Present:**

Cllr. Pat Nugent

Cllr. Tom Cronin

Cllr. Niamh O'Donovan

Cllr. Damien Geoghegan

Cllr. Donnchadh Mulcahy

Cllr. Thomas Phelan

Cllr. John Pratt

Cllr. Joe O'Riordan

Cllr. Kate O'Mahoney

**Officials in attendance:**

Ivan Grimes, Director of Services, Planning, Corporate, HR, IS & Culture

Lisa Grant, Meetings Administrator

**1. ELECTION OF CATHAOIRLEACH**

In advance of the elections, Cllr. Nugent shared some memorable moments from his term in office and noted he had the honour of serving for two consecutive years in two separate Councils and in welcoming a number of new members to the newly formed Council. Events of note during the year included the publication of Jim Hyde's Villages of West Waterford, welcoming the Mondeligo Camoige Team, reception for Rob O'Brien, Ballinacourty in recognition of his fund raising efforts, Dungarvan Brass Band 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary and 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first female musician joining, Dungarvan Rugby Team, opening of the Blackwater Valley Opera Festival, opening of the Dungarvan Chamber offices and celebrating 100 years of the Dungarvan Golf Club in 2024. A Christmas visit, with Cllr. O'Riordan, to the hospital and Care Choice also stood out as a particular highlight.

While there were many positives, there were some disappointments including the slow progress on the Dungarvan swimming pool and sports centre and the O'Connell Street Digital Hub.

Cllr. Nugent thanked his fellow elected members and the executive. He also thanked the media for their key role in keeping the public informed of the work of the Council.

The Councillors expressed their thanks to Cllr. Nugent for his leadership throughout the year noting that he was 'tough but fair' and that he was one of the most experienced Councillors in the County. I. Grimes also thanked Cllr. Nugent on behalf of the Management and staff for his excellent chairing over the past two years.

The Cathaoirleach called for nominations for the position of Cathaoirleach for the Dungarvan Lismore district for 2025-2026.

It was proposed by Cllr. Geoghegan and seconded by Cllr. Pratt 'That Cllr. O'Donovan be elected Cathaoirleach of the Dungarvan Lismore District.'

It was proposed by Cllr. O'Riordan and seconded by Cllr. Mulcahy 'That Cllr. O'Mahoney be elected Cathaoirleach of the Dungarvan Lismore District.'

There were no further nominations, the Cathaoirleach called for a roll call vote:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Cllr. O'Donovan</b>	<b>Cllr. O'Mahoney</b>
Cllr. Pat Nugent	✓	
Cllr. Tom Cronin	✓	
Cllr. Niamh O'Donovan	✓	
Cllr. Damien Geoghegan	✓	
Cllr. Donnchadh Mulcahy		✓
Cllr. Thomas Phelan	✓	
Cllr. John Pratt	✓	
Cllr. Joe O'Riordan		✓
Cllr. Kate O'Mahoney		✓
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>

Cllr. O'Donovan having received the majority votes was deemed elected to the position of Cathaoirleach.

Cllr. O'Donovan thanked her proposer and seconder and acknowledged the support of her fellow Councillors, the Management Team, media and her family noting that it was a profound honour to take on the role of Chair.

## **2. ELECTION OF LEAS CATHAOIRLEACH**

The newly elected Cathaoirleach Cllr. O'Donovan invited nominations for the office of Leas Cathaoirleach for 2025-2026.

It was proposed by Cllr. Cronin and seconded by Cllr. Nugent 'that Cllr. Geoghegan be elected Leas Cathaoirleach'.

It was proposed by Cllr. O'Mahoney and seconded by Cllr. Mulcahy 'that Cllr. O'Riordan' be elected Leas Cathaoirleach'.

There were no further nominations, the Cathaoirleach called for a roll call vote:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Cllr. Geoghegan</b>	<b>Cllr. O'Riordan</b>
Cllr. Pat Nugent	✓	
Cllr. Tom Cronin	✓	
Cllr. Niamh O'Donovan	✓	
Cllr. Damien Geoghegan	✓	
Cllr. Donnchadh Mulcahy		✓
Cllr. Thomas Phelan	✓	
Cllr. John Pratt	✓	
Cllr. Joe O'Riordan		✓
Cllr. Kate O'Mahoney		✓
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>

Cllr. Geoghegan having received the majority votes was deemed elected to the position of Leas Cathaoirleach.

Cllr. Geoghegan thanked their proposer and seconder and stated that he looks forward to supporting the Cathaoirleach in the year ahead.

The Councillors congratulated Cllr. Geoghegan on his election wishing him the best for the year ahead and noting their willingness to work with him in the year ahead.

I. Grimes congratulated Cllr. Geoghegan noting that the Management and staff look forward to working with the Council over the following year. He apologised on behalf of the Chief Executive, Sean McKeown, who was unable to attend the AGM

### **3. AOB**

None.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cathaoirleach

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