

Minutes of the Rosslare Municipal District Annual Meeting

held on the 26th June 2026 at 10:00hrs in the

Council Chamber, County Hall, Carricklawn, Wexford

Presiding: Cllr Ger Carthy

In Attendance: Cllr Lisa McDonald
Cllr Frank Staples
Cllr Jim Codd
Cllr Aoife Rose O' Brien
Senator Cathal Byrne

Officials

Lynda Lacey - District Director
Edwina Colfer – A/District Manager
Michael Brazzill – District Engineer
Jodi Somers – A/ Assistant Staff Officer

An Cathaoirleach, Cllr Ger Carthy, welcomed all those in attendance.

The outgoing Cathaoirleach thanked the Members and the Executive of RMD, in particular the District Director Lynda Lacey. He thanked & welcomed the recently retired DM Nóirín Cummins to the meeting and welcomed the incoming DM Ann Marie Laffan. He thanked the executive team and Edwina Colfer, A/DM and the staff in RMD, in particular the District Engineer Michael Brazzill.

An Cathaoirleach welcomed the Staples family and welcomed Senator Cathal Byrne to the meeting.

He thanked his family for the support throughout the year.

The District Manager thanked Cllr Carthy for his dedicated service to RMD over the past year for his ambition and work ethic which led to a very successful year in the RMD.

Cllr McDonald thanked An Cathaoirleach for his dedication and work in the district.

Cllr Staples congratulated An Cathaoirleach for his successful term and thanked him for his fairness

Cllr Codd thanked An Cathaoirleach for his successful term in the RMD and wished him the best of luck in the future.

Cllr O' Brien thanked An Cathaoirleach for his integrity in the chair throughout the year.

The DD congratulated Cllr Carthy on his relentless passion and drive for the district and thanked him on behalf of all the RMD staff.

An Cathaoirleach thanked all for the kind words and thanked Cllr. McDonald for her assistance as Leas-Cathaoirleach throughout the year.

1. Election of Cathaoirleach

On the proposal of Cllr Lisa McDonald, seconded by Cllr Codd, Cllr Frank Staples was elected as Cathaoirleach

Cllr Staples welcomed all in attendance including Senator Cathal Byrne and the retired DM Nóirín Cumins. He thanked the Members and stated that it was a great honour and privilege to be elected as Chairperson of the Rosslare Municipal District for a second time by his colleagues, and that he looked forward to working closely with the Members and Officials over the coming year.

Cllr Staples thanked his wife for her ongoing support and thanked his family, friends, election team and those who support his efforts as a public representative.

Cllr Staples wished Cllr McDonald the best of luck as incoming Chair of WCC.

The Members congratulated Cllr Staples on his election for the second time and wished him a successful year in the role, noting his excellent leadership qualities, knowledge and experience in public office.

The District Manager congratulated Cllr Staples on his election, stating that she looked forward to working with him over the coming year.

The District Director also congratulated Cllr Staples and advised him that the RMD staff would continue to work closely with him and the other Members to ensure a successful year across the district.

2. Election of Leas Cathaoirleach

Cllr Lisa McDonald proposed Cllr Carthy as Leas Cathaoirleach. Cllr Codd proposed Cllr O' Brien as Leas Cathaoirleach. A roll call vote was performed, and Cllr Ger Carthy was duly elected.

Cllr Lisa McDonald – Cllr Carthy
Cllr Carthy – Cllr Carthy
Cllr Codd – Cllr O' Brien
Cllr O' Brien – Cllr O' Brien
Cllr Staples – Cllr Carthy

Cllr O' Brien thanked Cllr Codd for the nomination and wished Cllr Carthy all the best.

Cllr Carthy thanked the Members for their support and said he looked forward to assisting the Chair and working with the other Members and the Executive during the year ahead.

3. **Schedule of Meetings**

On the proposal of Cllr McDonald, seconded by Cllr Jim Codd, the *Schedule of Meetings 202/27* was agreed as presented.

THAT CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

Signed on the 15th July 2026



Cllr Frank Staples
An Cathaoirleach
Rosslare Municipal District