### Minutes of the Rosslare Municipal District Annual Meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 10.30hrs in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Carricklawn, Wexford

Presiding: Cllr Frank Staples

In Attendance: Cllr Lisa McDonald

Cllr Jim Moore Cllr Jim Codd Cllr Ger Carthy

Officials Present: Annette O'Neill - District Director

Nóirín Cummins – District Manager Mark Collins – District Engineer Dean Waters - Staff Officer

The Chairman welcomed all those in attendance to his final meeting as Cathaoirleach, stating that it was good to be back meeting in person with his fellow Councillors following such a disrupted period due to Covid-19 restrictions.

The outgoing Chairman, Cllr Frank Staples, then thanked the Members and the Executive for assisting him during his term and stated that, although it had been a difficult year, it had been a pleasure working closely with them all. He then outlined the progress and achievements the District had continued to make during his 12 months as Chairman.

The Members thanked Cllr Frank Staples for his contribution as Chairman of the District and acknowledged his excellent work during an extremely difficult and frustrating year. Cllr Lisa McDonald was also commended for her role during the challenging year, particularly when she had acted as Chair when Cllr Frank Staples had been absent due to illness.

The District Manager thanked Cllr Frank Staples on behalf of all the District Staff for his courtesy and cooperation, highlighting the many achievements and successful funding allocations through sources such as Town & Village Renewal Scheme, Outdoor Recreational Infrastructure Scheme, Active Travel, and the Risk Remediation Scheme.

The District Director thanked Cllr Frank Staples and Cllr Lisa McDonald for their leadership and professionalism during the year, and for continuing the work of creating the identity and structure of the new District with the delivery of programmes and the delivery of the new dedicated office space, which contributed to firmly establishing the presence of Rosslare Municipal District in the County. She also acknowledged the efforts and the dedication of the staff.

#### 1. Election of Cathaoirleach

On the proposal of Cllr Frank Staples, seconded by Cllr Ger Carthy, Cllr Jim Moore was nominated. The proposal was endorsed by all present.

As there were no further nominations, Cllr Jim Moore was duly elected.

Cllr Jim Moore took the Chair.

Cllr Jim Moore thanked the Members for their support and stated that it was a great honour and privilege to be elected as Chairperson of the Rosslare Municipal District by his colleagues and that he looked forward to working closely with the Members and Officials over the coming year. Also stating that he hoped the Municipal District could continue to build on its achievements to date, by working together as elected members with a proactive executive, addressing the issues within its capacity.

Cllr Moore also acknowledged the ongoing support from his wife Lucy, family, friends, and those who support his efforts as a public representative.

The Members congratulated him on his election and wished him a successful year in the role, noting his great calmness and wealth of experience in public office.

The District Manager congratulated Cllr Jim Moore on his election, stating that she looked forward to working with him over the coming year, further establishing this unique and rural District within the framework of the County.

The District Director also congratulated Cllr Jim Moore and advised him that the Officials will work closely with him and the other Members to ensure a successful year ahead, building further on their collective achievements to date, and progressing the development and enhancement of the District.

#### 2. Election of Leas Cathaoirleach

On the proposal of Cllr Ger Carthy, seconded by Cllr Frank Staples, Cllr Jim Codd was nominated as Leas Cathaoirleach. The proposal was endorsed by all present.

As there were no further nominations, Cllr Jim Codd was duly elected.

Cllr Jim Codd thanked the Members for their support and said he looked forward to assisting the Chair responding to the needs of communities within the District and working with the other Members and the Officials during the year ahead in a collaborative approach.

The Members congratulated Cllr Jim Codd on his election to the role of Leas-Cathaoirleach and wished him well for the coming year.

On behalf of the Officials, the District Manager congratulated the newly elected Cathaoirleach and Leas Cathaoirleach and assured them that they would receive the full support of the District staff.

### 3. Schedule of Meetings

On the proposal of Cllr Ger Carthy, seconded by Cllr Frank Staples, the proposed *Schedule of Meetings* was agreed as presented on Minute Pad/Decision Time.

# 4. Standing Orders.

On the proposal of Cllr Ger Carthy, seconded by Cllr Lisa McDonald, the *Standing Orders* were adopted as presented on Minute Pad/Decision Time.

# THAT CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

Signed on the 19th July 2021

Clir Jim Moore An Cathaoirleach

**Rosslare Municipal District** 

