

**COMHAIRLE CHONTAE UÍBH FHAILÍ**

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING  
OF OFFALY COUNTY COUNCIL**

**HELD IN ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, TULLAMORE  
ON MONDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2011 AT 7 P.M.**

**PRESENT:**

Cllr. D. Owens (Presiding), Cllrs. N. Bourke, M. Buckley, J. Butterfield, J. Carroll, P. Clendennen, D. Dolan, E. Dooley, S. Dooley, E. Fitzpatrick, J. Foley, C. Hanniffy, N. Hogan, T. McKeigue, T. McLoughlin, J. Leahy, S. Moylan-Ryan, P. Ormond, G. Plunkett, L. Quinn and P. Rowland.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mr. P. Gallagher, County Manager, Mr. S. Murray, D.O.S., Mr. F. Heslin, D.O.S., Mr. D. Conlon, H.O.F., Mr. A. Dillon, A/D.O.S. and Ms. M. Cleary, Meetings Administrator.

**ELECTION OF  
CATHAOIRLEACH**

Ms. M. Cleary, Meetings Administrator invited nominations for the position of Cathaoirleach.

Cllr. D. Owens was proposed by Cllr. S. Dooley and seconded by Cllr. P. Rowland.

There being no other nominations Cllr. D. Owens was deemed elected Cathaoirleach of Offaly County Council for the following year.

Cllr. D. Owens then took the chair, thanked his proposer, seconder and the members for his election.

**ELECTION OF LEAS  
CATHAOIRLEACH:**

Cllr. D. Owens, Cathaoirleach, invited nominations for the position of Leas Cathaoirleach.

Cllr. T. McKeigue was proposed by Cllr. M. Buckley and the proposal was seconded by Cllr. L. Quinn.

There being no other nominations Cllr. T. McKeigue was deemed elected as Leas Cathaoirleach.

Cllr. T. McKeigue thanked his proposer, seconder and the members for his election.

Cllr. D. Owens, Cathaoirleach, said it was an honour to be appointed Cathaoirleach in April following the vacancy created by the election of Deputy B. Cowen at the General Election. He expressed his thanks to the members for the courtesy and co-operation afforded him during the past number of months. Cllr. D. Owens, Cathaoirleach, thanked his proposer and seconder. He acknowledged that it was a

demanding job particularly having regard to the constrained resources available to the council at this time. He thanked his wife and family for their support in his political life.

In paying tribute to Cllr. D. Owens the members expressed their appreciation to him for the manner with which he had carried out his duties and in particular in the manner that he had greeted the President of the United States, Barack Obama and the First Lady, Michelle Obama to Moneygall.

The County Manager, on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff, congratulated Cllr. D. Owens and Cllr. T. McKeigue on their election and assured them of the continued support from management and staff.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

**MINUTES CONFIRMED:**

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**CATHAOIRLEACH**

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**18<sup>th</sup> JULY 2011**