

Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly
Tionól Reigiúnach Oirthir agus Lár-Tíre

MINUTES for MEETING

**OF THE EASTERN AND MIDLAND
REGIONAL ASSEMBLY**

HELD ON

Friday, 8th July 2022

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF EASTERN AND MIDLAND REGIONAL ASSEMBLY
HELD ON 08th JULY 2022.**

Cllr Daryl Barron	Cllr David Healy
Cllr Aoife Breslin	Cllr Deirdre Heney
Cllr John Browne	Cllr Janet Horner
Cllr Emma Coffey	Cllr Pamela Kearns
Cllr Avril Cronin	Cllr Dermot Lacey
Cllr Eamon Dooley	Cllr Brigid Manton
Cllr Caroline Dwane Stanley	Cllr Tony McCormack
Cllr Kate Feeney	Cllr Lyn Hagin Meade
Cllr Brian Fitzgerald	Cllr Pdraig McEvoy
Cllr Catherine Fitzgerald	Cllr Paddy Meade
Cllr Mary Freehill	Cllr Aisling Moran
Cllr Jim Gildea	Cllr Colm Murray
Cllr Alison Gilliland	Cllr Damien O'Reilly
Cllr Mary Hanafin	Cllr Robert Power

In Attendance:

Ms. Joan Martin, CEO, Louth County Council

Mr. Jim Conway, EMRA

Ms. Laure Antoniotti, EMRA

Ms. Clare Bannon, EMRA

Dr. Travis O'Doherty, EMRA

Ms. Helena Stromberg, EMRA

Mr. Simon Musial, EMRA

Mr. Alan Lambe, EMRA

Mr. Ross Higgins, EMRA

Ms. Geraldine Kenny, EMRA

Ms. Sarah Campbell, EMRA

ITEM 1

Election of Cathaoirleach

The out-going Cathaoirleach, Cllr D Heney thanked the members and staff of the Assembly on her year as Cathaoirleach.

Cathaoirleach, Cllr D Heney invited nominations for Cathaoirleach for the forthcoming year of the Eastern and Midland Assembly to July 2023.

Cllr M Hanafin proposed Cllr Robert Power and this was seconded by Cllr E Fitzpatrick.

Cllr R Power was elected An Cathaoirleach for the Eastern and Midland Regional with no other nominations received.

This was **APPROVED**.

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr R Power and Cllr E Dooley.

ITEM 2

Election of Leas-Cathaoirleach

An Cathaoirleach opened the floor for nominations for Leas Cathaoirleach.

Cllr E Dooley proposed Cllr Kate Feeney and this was seconded by Cllr D Heney.

Cllr K Feeney was elected Leas Cathaoirleach for the Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly with no other nominations received

This was **APPROVED**.

ITEM 3

Adoption of Minutes of meeting held on 10th June 2022

Minutes of the meeting of the Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly held on the 10th June 2022 were proposed by Cllr D Heney and seconded by Cllr P McEvoy.

The minutes were **APPROVED**.

ITEM 4

Adoption of Minutes of additional meeting held on 27th June 2022

Minutes of the meeting of the Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly held on the 27th June 2022 were proposed by Cllr J Gildea and seconded by Cllr K Feeney.

The minutes were **APPROVED**.

ITEM 5

Programme of Work Q2 update

The director Mr J Conway presented the EMRA's Programme of Work Q2 update to the members.

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr D Lacey, Cllr P McEvoy, Cllr D Healy, Cllr K Feeney, Cllr J Gildea, Cllr M Freehill and Ms C Bannon.

This was **NOTED**.

ITEM 6

Update on EU subcommittee members' visit to Brussels

Cllr D Heney and Cllr P McEvoy gave the members an update on the visit of the EU subcommittee to Brussels.

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr A Gilliland, Cllr D Lacey, Cllr K Feeney, Cllr D Healy and Mr J Conway.

This was **NOTED**.

ITEM 7

Nomination to the Association of Irish Regions

Cllr P McEvoy proposed Cllr D Lacey and Cllr J Gildea. This was seconded by Cllr C Murray.

This was **APPROVED**

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr D Lacey and Cllr C Murray.

Cllr D Lacey proposed that Cllr P McEvoy continue to assist the Association of Irish Regions in an advisory role. This was seconded by Cllr C Murray

This was **AGREED**.

ITEM 8

Submission to the Dublin Citizens' Assembly

The Director Mr J Conway notified the members that he had been invited to contribute to the debates of the Dublin Citizens Assembly on behalf of the EMRA.

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr D Lacey, Cllr K Feeney, Cllr D Healy, Cllr J Horner, Cllr J Gildea, Cllr D Heney, Cllr B Manton and Cllr M Freehill.

Cllr K Feeney proposed that a submission should be made by the Director. This was seconded by Cllr J Gildea

It was **AGREED**.

ITEM 9
Correspondence

None

ITEM 10
Any other business

The Director Mr J Conway advised the members on the recruitment for JTF posts that had been filled.

ITEM 11
Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly is to be held on, **Friday 09th September 2022.**

Signed:



Cllr. Robert Power
Cathaoirleach


Mr. Jim Conway
EMRA

Date: 09th September 2022

