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COMHAIRLE CATHRACH BHAILE ÁTHA CLIATH



Miontuairiscí Chruinniú Bliantúil a tionóladh ar an 30ú Meitheamh 2008 i Seomra na Comhairle, Halla na Cathrach, Cnoc Chorcaí ag 6.45 i.n.

I Láthair

Ar dtus an tArdmheara, An Comhairleoir Paddy Bourke sa chathaoir agus ina dhiaidh sin an tArdmheara, An Comhairleoir Eibhlin Byrne sa chathaoir.

Comhairleoir:

Maurice Ahern
Charlie Ardagh
Tom Brabazon
Gerry Breen
Christy Burke
Clare Byrne
Eibhlin Byrne
Eric Byrne
Julia Carmichael
Brendan Carr
Anne Carter
Joan Collins
Michael Conaghan
Emer Costello
Pat Crimmins
Michael Donnelly
Daithi Doolan

Comhairleoir :

Dessie Ellis
Mary Fitzpatrick
Declan Flanagan
Killian Forde
Mary Freehill
John Gallagher
Deidre Heney
Kevin Humphreys
Vincent Jackson
Liam Kelly
John Kenny
Sean Kenny
Dermot Lacey
Bronwen Maher
Sean Paul Mahon
Ruari McGinley

Comhairleoir

Sémas McGrattan
Louise Minihan
Andrew Montague
Paddy McCartan
Ray McHugh
Criona Ni Dhalaigh
Naoise O'Muirí
Aodhán Ó'Riordáin
Mary O'Shea
Larry O'Toole
Oisín Quinn
Mick Rafferty
Sarah Ryan
Tom Stafford
Bill Tormey
Edie Wynne

Oifigigh

John Tierney
Michael Stubbs
Matt Twomey
Philip Maguire
Frank Kelly
Michael Sands

Kathy Quinn
Vincent Norton
Terence O'Keeffe
Alan Breen
Ailish Smyth
Ciaran McNamara

Ali Grehan
Margaret Byrne
Miriam Ni Cleirigh
Martin McChree
Oonagh Casey
Joanna Travers

The Lord Mayor, before reflecting on his mayoralty, called on the incoming Lord Mayor to write to their counterpart in Barcelona to congratulate the Spanish Football Team on their victory in the European Football Championships. He said he had a wonderful year as Lord Mayor and wished the incoming Lord Mayor every success. He said how much he, and his

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wife, had enjoyed their year in the Mansion House, thanking the other Councillors for their support throughout the year, particularly those who had to deputise on his behalf throughout the year. He also thanked the officials from Dublin City Council for their cooperation throughout the year.

The Lord Mayor then called for nominations for the Office of Lord Mayor, noting that the incoming Lord Mayor's term would be dated from this day, 30th June 2008, to the date of the annual meeting in June, 2009 which must be held within 10 days of the Local Elections.

Throughout the nomination process, members of council as well as the City Manager praised the Lord Mayor for his successes throughout the past year.

Election of Lord Mayor

1. It was moved by Cllr. G. Breen and seconded by Cllr. N. Ó Muirí "We hereby propose Cllr. Mary O'Shea for the office of Lord Mayor of the City of Dublin for the period 30th June, 2008 to continue in such office (subject to her death, resignation, disqualification, removal from office or otherwise ceasing to be a member of the City Council) until her successor shall have been elected at the Annual Meeting of the City Council in June 2009".

It was moved by Cllr. C. Burke and seconded by Cllr. R. McHugh "We hereby propose Cllr. C. Ní Dhalaigh for the office of Lord Mayor of the City of Dublin for the period 30th June, 2008 to continue in such office (subject to her death, resignation, disqualification, removal from office or otherwise ceasing to be a member of the City Council) until her successor shall have been elected at the Annual Meeting of the City Council in 2009".

It was moved by Cllr. J. Carmichael and seconded by Cllr. K. Humphreys "We hereby propose Cllr. Eibhlin Byrne for the office of Lord Mayor of the City of Dublin for the period 30th June, 2008 to continue in such office (subject to her death, resignation, disqualification, removal from office or otherwise ceasing to be a member of the City Council) until her successor shall have been elected at the Annual Meeting of the City Council to be in 2009".

A poll was taken which resulted as follows:

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| For Cllr. Eibhlin Byrne | 29 Votes |
| For Cllr. Críona Ní Dhalaigh | 10 Votes |
| For Cllr. Mary O'Shea | 11 Votes |

The following voted for Councillor Mary O'Shea

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| Cllr. Gerry Breen | Cllr. Paddy McCartan |
| Cllr. Clare Byrne | Cllr. Naoise Ó'Muirí |
| Cllr. Pat Crimmins | Cllr. Mary O'Shea |
| Cllr. Declan Flanagan | Cllr. Bill Tormey |
| Cllr. John Kenny | Cllr. Edie Wynne |
| Cllr. Ruairi McGinley | |
| | Total 11 |

The following voted for Cllr. Críona Ní Dhálaigh

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| Cllr. Christy Burke | Cllr. Louise Minihan |
| Cllr. Daithi Doolan | Cllr. Ray McHugh |
| Cllr. Dessie Ellis | Cllr. Críona Ni Dhalaigh |
| Cllr. Killian Forde | Cllr. Larry O'Toole |
| Cllr. Séamas McGrattan | Cllr. Mick Rafferty |
| | Total 10 |

The following voted for Cllr. Eibhlin Byrne

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| Cllr. Maurice Ahern | Cllr. Deirdre Heney |
| Cllr. Charlie Ardagh | Cllr. Kevin Humphreys |
| Lord Mayor Cllr. Paddy Bourke | Cllr. Vincent Jackson |
| Cllr. Tom Brabazon | Cllr. Liam Kelly |
| Cllr. Eibhlin Byrne | Cllr. Sean Kenny |
| Cllr. Eric Byrne | Cllr. Dermot Lacey |
| Cllr. Julia Carmichael | Cllr. John Lyons |
| Cllr. Brendan Carr | Cllr. Bronwen Maher |
| Cllr. Anne Carter | Cllr. Sean Paul Mahon |
| Cllr. Michael Conaghan | Cllr. Andrew Montague |
| Cllr. Emer Costello | Cllr. Aodhán Ó'Riordáin |
| Cllr. Michael Donnelly | Cllr. Oisín Quinn |
| Cllr. Mary Fitzpatrick | Cllr. Sarah Ryan |
| Cllr. Mary Freehill. | Cllr. Tom Stafford |
| Cllr. John Gallagher | |
| | Total 29 |

Cllr. Eibhlin Byrne having received the majority of the votes of the members present was declared elected 'Lord Mayor' and she was invested with the Collar of SS and the Insignia of Office. The Members of the City Council, City Manager and staff all warmly congratulated the newly elected Lord Mayor.

Before beginning her speech, the Lord Mayor, Cllr. Eibhlin Byrne expressed her delight at being elected the Lord Mayor, only the 6th woman in history to do so. She thanked all those who supported her in the election, particularly those from Fianna Fáil and Labour, as well as her family.

She then went on to say that her Mayoralty would be dominated by 3 separate themes.

Firstly she spoke of her proposals with regard to business in Dublin City, she intended to undertake a critical review of the roles, outcomes and value for money being provided to the business community by Dublin City Council.

Turning to her social agenda, the Lord Mayor said how she is firmly committed to the homeless people of Dublin and she reaffirmed her commitment to eradicating homelessness in Dublin by 2010.

Her final proposal as Lord Mayor was her citizen agenda; she spoke of increased disorderly behaviour due to alcohol consumption and of how she intended to spearhead the implementation of the amended bye-laws with regard to drinking in public.

Before concluding, the Lord Mayor referred to her electoral ward of Clontarf. She was pleased to announce her appointment to the Dublin Bay Taskforce, and reiterated her commitment to the protection of the Bay area.

The Lord Mayor then concluded by quoting John F. Kennedy, "Ask not what your Country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country". She went on to say that every citizen has a responsibility to the community in which they live.

She said she was deeply conscious that other women in Dublin found themselves in a very different situation to herself, that she was aware of the problems they faced and that they had now, in her, a voice in the Mansion House and she called on them to use it.

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The Lord Mayor then called for nominations for the office of the Deputy Lord Mayor.

Throughout the nomination process, members of council expressed thanks and appreciation to the outgoing Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Anne Carter, recognising her commitment to the City and to her own electoral area, throughout the past year.

2. **Election of Deputy Lord Mayor**

It was moved by Cllr. K. Humphreys and seconded by Cllr. J. Carmichael “We hereby propose Cllr. Emer Costello for the office of Deputy Lord Mayor of the City of Dublin for the period 25th June, 2007 to continue in such office (subject to her death, resignation, disqualification, removal from office or otherwise ceasing to be a member of the City Council) until her successor shall have been elected at the Annual Meeting of the City Council to be held in June 2009”.

It was moved by Cllr. C. Burke and seconded by Cllr. C. Ní Dhálaigh “ We hereby propose Cllr. Daithi Doolan for the office of Deputy Lord Mayor of the City of Dublin for the period 25th June, 2007 to continue in such office (subject to his death, resignation, disqualification, removal from office or otherwise ceasing to be a member of the City Council) until his successor shall have been elected at the Annual Meeting of the City Council to be held in June 2009”.

It was moved by Cllr. G. Breen and seconded by Cllr. D. Flanagan “ We hereby propose Cllr. Pat Crimmins for the office of Deputy Lord Mayor of the City of Dublin for the period 25th June, 2007 to continue in such office (subject to his death, resignation, disqualification, removal from office or otherwise ceasing to be a member of the City Council) until his successor shall have been elected at the Annual Meeting of the City Council to be held in June 2009”.

A poll was taken which resulted as follows:

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| For Cllr. Emer Costello | 27 Votes |
| For Cllr. Pat Crimmins | 11 Votes |
| For Cllr. Daithi Doolan | 8 Votes |

The following voted for Cllr. Emer Costello

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| Cllr. Maurice Ahern | Cllr. Deirdre Heney |
| Cllr. Charlie Ardagh | Cllr. Kevin Humphreys |
| Cllr. Paddy Bourke | Cllr. Liam Kelly |
| Cllr. Tom Brabazon | Cllr. Sean Kenny |
| Lord Mayor Cllr. Eibhlin Byrne | Cllr. Dermot Lacey |
| Cllr. Eric Byrne | Cllr. John Lyons |
| Cllr. Julia Carmichael | Cllr. Bronwen Maher |
| Cllr. Brendan Carr | Cllr. Sean Paul Mahon |
| Cllr. Anne Carter | Cllr. Andrew Montague |
| Cllr. Michael Conaghan | Cllr. Aodhán Ó’Riordáin |
| Cllr. Emer Costello | Cllr. Oisin Quinn |
| Cllr. Michael Donnelly | Cllr. Sarah Ryan |
| Cllr. Mary Freehill. | Cllr. Tom Stafford |
| Cllr. John Gallagher | |
| | Total 27 |

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The following voted for Cllr. Daithi Doolan

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| Cllr. Christy Burke Cllr. Daithi Doolan Cllr. Killian Forde Cllr. Vincent Jackson | Cllr. Séamas McGrattan Cllr. Ray McHugh Cllr. Críona Ni Dhalaigh Cllr. Larry O'Toole Total 8 |
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The following voted for Cllr. Pat Crimmins

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| Cllr. Gerry Breen Cllr. Clare Byrne Cllr. Pat Crimmins Cllr. Declan Flanagan Cllr. John Kenny Cllr. Ruairi McGinley | Cllr. Paddy McCartan Cllr. Naoise Ó'Muirí Cllr. Mary O'Shea Cllr. Bill Tormey Cllr. Edie Wynne Total 11 |
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The Lord Mayor then declared Cllr. Emer Costello to be elected Deputy Lord Mayor and congratulated her on her election. Members of the City Council and the City Manager also congratulated the Deputy Lord Mayor on her election.

Cllr. Anne Carter congratulated the Deputy Lord Mayor Cllr. Emer Costello on her election. She said she enjoyed her year representing Dublin City and considered a great honour to be given the opportunity to do so. She thanked the Mansion House staff for their efforts throughout the year.

The Deputy Lord Mayor Cllr. Emer Costello congratulated the new Lord Mayor Cllr. Eibhlin Byrne, she said it was an honour to be elected and thanked those who nominated her and those who supported her. She paid tribute to the previous Lord Mayor and Deputy Lord Mayor on their year in office.

She spoke of the unique achievement - that both the elected Lord Mayor and Deputy Lord Mayor are women, and that this is a significant step forward for women in Dublin City.

Members of the City Council congratulated both the newly elected Lord Mayor and Deputy Lord Mayor and commended their predecessors on their achievements, wishing them well in the future.

The meeting concluded at 8.40 p.m.

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LORD MAYOR

MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR