

Fianna Fáil

The Republican Party

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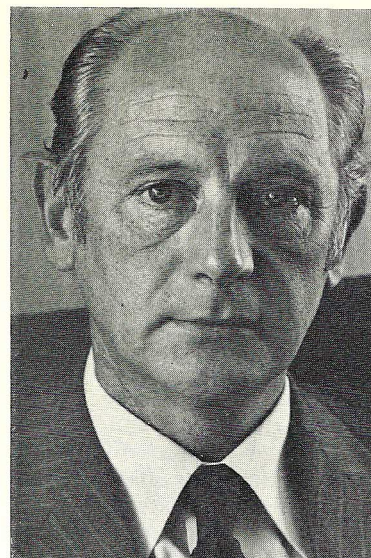
Clár

44^ú ARD-FHEIS

in Áras an R.D.S.

i mBaile Átha Cliath

14-16 Feabhra 1975



Fáilte Romhat

This is a significant and important Ard-Fheis for all our members. It comes at a time of serious economic difficulties in the country. The twin spectres of uncontrolled inflation and 100,000 out of work are with us once more.

Yet again, as it was in 1951 and 1957, Coalition Government has not found the answers to the pressing problems of the day.

The responsibility therefore for restoring confidence and living standards, providing the jobs that we need, and removing social and economic inequalities in our community, falls on Fianna Fáil.

It is vitally important that we show to all the Irish people who are watching and reading about our deliberations that we are a united, determined and progressive Party, ready and willing to take over the Government of this country in the near future.

This is a grave responsibility which all of us, public representatives, party workers, and supporters must share with the same concern and dedication.

I know that you are all committed and ready; let us show the country that same commitment and determination.

Caithfidh muidne i Fianna Fáil a theaspáint do phobal na hÉireann go bhfuil muid réidh agus oilte leas na tíre a chur chun chinn arís is gur féidir leó iontaoibh a bheith acu ionainn go ndéanfaidh muidne "beart de réir ár mbriathair".

We have great tasks ahead of us in the three days of the Ard-Fheis. We must face them with imagination and purpose, so that we can restore to this tormented country the goals which all of us seek; better living conditions, jobs for all our people and the peaceful reconciliation without coercion or violence of all our people, North and South.

Seán Ó Leinsigh

Rialacha Stiúrtha na h-Ard-Fheise

NÓS IMEACHTA. Ní bheidh dul thar rialú an Chathaoirligh, nó maran ann dó rialú an Leas-Chathaoirligh a bhéas i gceannas an chruinnithe, ar aon cheist faoi nós imeachta.

RÚIN. Ní cead rún nach bhfuil ar an gClár a mholadh. Ní cead déinne rún a mholadh ach teachta ón gCumann nó ón gCómhairle a thairg an rún sin, nó rún dá shamhail. Nuair a glaotar rún—mura n-éiríonn teachta ón gCumann nó ón gCómhairle a thairg é chun labhartha—gabhfaidh an Ard-Fheis ar aghaidh go dtí an chéad ghnó eile, mura gcinntídh an Cathaoirleach cead do thabhairt do theachta eile an rún do mholadh.

LEASAITHE. Ní glacfar le leasú ar rún mura mbeidh fógra i dtaobh an leasaithe tugtha i scríbhinn don Chathaoirleach agus mura mbeidh glacaithe aige leis mar leasu iomchuí. Ní cead rún ghlan-diúltach a mholadh.

CAINTEÓIRÍ. Beid cead caint **cúig** neomataí ag an té a mholas rún; **trí** neomataí an duine ag cainteoirí eile. Is é an Cathaoirleach a chinnefeas ord na gcainteoirí, agus deanfaidh sé iarracht rogha a thabhairt do theachta nár labhaircheana ar rún eile. Is féidir leis an gCathaoirleach cosc do chur ar theachta labhairt má labhair an teachta sin trí uaire cheana ar rún eile. Ní mór do gach teachta gur mhaith leis nó leithí labhairt ag an gComhdháil a bheith in a áit comhgarach don bhíne cúig nóimeataí sul má glaothtaoí air — uirthi labhairt. Ag éirí dhó chun labhartha caithfidh gach teachta a ainm do luadh maraon le hainm a Chumainn agus a Chomhairle Dáilcheantair. Ní mór don chainteoir stad nuair a bhuaifidh an Cathaoirleach an cloígn.

RÚIN COMHAIR-A-CHÉILE. An bhreith a tabharfar ar rún, seasoidh sí ar rún da chomhshamhail.

BREITH. Le taispeána lámh a tógfar breith an chruinnithe ar aon cheist; i gcás nach bhféadfaidh an Cathaoirleach toradh aon vótála a chineandh, déanfaidh na hAireamhoirí na vótaí a chomháireamh.

Rules Governing Procedure of the Ard-Fheis

PROCEDURE. The ruling of the Cathaoirleach, or in his absence the presiding Leas-Cathaoirleach, on all matters of procedure is final.

RESOLUTIONS. No resolution may be moved which does not appear on the Clár. A resolution may be moved only by a delegate from the Cumann or Comhairle which has submitted it, or which has submitted a similar resolution. If, on a resolution having been called, no delegate from the Cumann of Comhairle which submitted it, rises to speak, the Ard Fheis will proceed to the next business, unless the Cathaoirleach decides to permit some other delegate to propose the resolution.

AMENDMENTS. An amendment may be moved only if notice of the proposed amendment has been given in writing to the Cathaoirleach and it has been accepted by him as relevant. An amendment proposing a direct negative to a resolution may not be moved.

SPEAKERS. The proposer of a resolution is allowed **five** minutes; delegates speaking to a resolution, **three** minutes. The Cathaoirleach has the right to determine the order in which delegates may speak and shall endeavour to give preference to delegates who had not previously spoken on other resolutions. The Cathaoirleach may decline to allow a delegate to speak, if that delegate has already spoken three times on previous motions. Every delegate wishing to speak should take his or her place near the rostrum five minutes before he or she expects to be called on to speak. Every delegate on rising to speak must first announce his or her name, name of Cumann and Constituency. A speaker must cease speaking on the striking of the Cathaoirleach's gong.

SIMILAR RESOLUTIONS. The decision on a resolution shall be held to determine the issue of any similar resolution.

DECISIONS. Decisions will be made by a show of hands. In the event of the Cathaoirleach being unable to decide the outcome of any vote, a count will be made by the Tellers.



RIALACHA. STIÚRTHA A CHUR AR FIONNRAÍ. Ní mór fógra rúin le Rialacha Stiúrtha na hArd-Fheise a chur ar fionnraí chun cuspóra ar leith a bheith sínithe ag teachta nó teachtaí fiche aonad sula gcuirtear téarmaí na tairisceana faoi bhreith an Chataoirligh. Nochtfar síniú agus teideal gach teachta ar an bhfógra rúin. Ansin cuirfidh an Cathaoirleach in iúl don Ard-Fheis go gcuirfear an rún leis Rialacha Stiúrtha a chur ar fionnraí chun an chuspóra luaithe faoi bhráid na hArd-Fheise i gceann dhá uair a' chloig. Ba chóir na moltóirí a bheith i láthair agus ullamh chun iad féin a chur in aithne nuair a cuirtear an rún os comhair na hArd-Fheise.

IOMCHUIBHEAS. Má órdaíonn an Cathaoirleach do theachta ar bith stad den chaint toisc iomchuibheasa, ní mór dó rud a dhéanamh air láithreach. Ní bheidh dul thar breith an Chataoirligh ar chúrsaí iomchuibheasa.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS. A notice of motion for the suspension of Standing Orders for a specific purpose must be signed by a representative or representatives of twenty units before the terms of the motion are submitted to the Cathaoirleach. The signature and designation of each representative will appear on the notice of motion. The Cathaoirleach will then inform the Ard-Fheis that the motion to suspend Standing Orders for the purpose mentioned will be put to the Ard-Fheis two hours later. The proposers should be present and ready to identify themselves when the motion is put.

RELEVANCY. If any delegate is directed by the Cathaoirleach to cease speaking on grounds of irrelevancy, he must do so forthwith. The Cathaoirleach's decision on matters of relevancy is final.

PLEASE NOTE

Once again the activities of the Parliamentary Party are being grouped under the following seven headings to coincide with the support service:

GROUP 1 — FINANCE.

Group 2 — ECONOMY.

Agriculture & Fisheries, Lands & Forestry, Industry & Commerce.

Group 3 — COMMUNITY CARE

Education, Social Welfare, Health, Gaeltacht, Youth & Community Care.

Group 4 — ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING.

Local Government, Office of Public Works, Physical Planning and Environment.

Group 5 — EXTERNAL RELATIONS.

Foreign Affairs, Northern Ireland.

GROUP 6 — SOCIAL & INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS.

Justice, Labour, Defence.

GROUP 7 — COMMUNICATION & ENERGY.

Posts & Telegraphs and Transport & Power.



CLÁR

1. TOGHADH CATHAOIRLIGH.
2. GLACADH LE RIALACHA STIURTHA.
3. TUAIRISC NA RUNAITHE OINIGH.
4. TUAIRISC NA CISTEOIRÍ OINIGH.
5. DIOSPÓIREACHT AR RUIN.
6. TOGHADH NA hARD-CHOMHAIRLE.
7. ORÁID AN UACHTARÁIN.
8. DIOSPÓIREACHT AR RUIN.
9. AMHRAN NA bhFIANN.
Labharfaidh an Uachtarán go gearr roimh scur an Ard-Fheis.

Dé hAoine	7.30 p.m. - 10.00 p.m.
Dé Sathairn	9.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. 3.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.
Dé Domhnaigh	10.00 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. 2.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.

Lin agus Votála ar an Sathairn
1.30 p.m. go 3.30 p.m.

Oráid an Uachtaráin (RTE) 7.00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. ELECTION: CATHAOIRLEACH.
2. ADOPTION OF STANDING ORDERS.
3. REPORT OF THE HONORARY SECRETARIES.
4. REPORT OF THE HONORARY TREASURERS.
5. CONSIDERATIONS OF RESOLUTIONS.
6. ELECTION OF NATIONAL EXECUTIVE.
7. PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS.
8. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.
9. NATIONAL ANTHEM AND CONCLUSION BY PRESIDENT.

Friday	7.30 p.m. - 10.00 p.m.
Saturday	9.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. 3.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.
Sunday	10.00 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. 2.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.

Voting and Lunch on Saturday
1.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.

Presidential Address (Live on R.T.E.)
will commence at 7.00 p.m.



UACHTARÁN

1. "This Ard-Fheis re-affirms that the primary objective of Fianna Fáil is the re-unification of our country by peaceful means in accordance with its traditional party policy, and opposes any change in Articles 2 and 3 of the Constitution of Ireland." — *Ballinrobe Comhairle Ceantair (West Mayo)*.

Resolutions on the same subject from Clare and Meath Comhairlí Dáilcheantair; Comhairlí Ceantair Killaloe (Clare); Bruckless (Donegal); Cumainn Craobhinn Aoibhinn (Dublin-Artane); Tomas Mac Donnchadha (Dublin-Finglas); Dundrum (Sth. Co. Dublin); Swords (Nth. Co. Dublin); Thomas Davis (Dublin-Clontarf); Fintan Lalor (Dublin Sth. East); Micheal Ó Muirise, Glendine, Sean O'Rourke, Abbey-side, (Waterford); Farmers Cross, Donagh O'Malley, Paddy Forde, Donagh de Barra, (Mid Cork); Newport (Nth. Tipperary); Castlegregory (Nth. Kerry); Hollymount (West Mayo); Garlow Cross (Meath); Old Mill (West Limerick); Clyduff (Laois-Offaly); Old Leighlin (Carlow); Ardahan (West Galway); Ballinamore (Leitrim); Ballinasloe (East Galway); Na bPiar-saigh (Dublin-Rathmines).

2. "The Ard-Fheis calls on the Coalition Government to resign forthwith because of its abject failure to control prices and to honour its pre-election promises, and demands that its record be put to the vote of the people." — *Tipperary Comhairle Ceantair (Sth. Tipperary)*.

Similar resolutions from Comhairlí Ceantair Blarney (Mid Cork); Ballinlough (East Mayo); Cumainn Andy Clarkin (Mid Co. Dublin); Tuam (East Galway); Kilworth (North East Cork); Jerh. Ó Mullane, Clogheen (Mid Cork); Harry Colley (Dublin-Clontarf); Clonkeen (Dun Laoghaire).

3. "The Ard-Fheis calls upon the British Government to renounce its claim of jurisdiction over any part of Ireland and to phase out the withdrawal of its troops from the six north eastern counties of Ulster." — *Fethard Cumann (Sth. Tipperary)*.

Similar resolutions from Cavan Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Cumainn Seasca Sé (Dublin-Ballyfermot); John Mitchell (Nth. Tipperary); Kinnego (Donegal); Sean Lemass (Dublin-Clontarf); Con Colbert (Dublin Sth. Central); Ballyconneely (West Galway).

4. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that the Party policies be completely revised and clearly defined to facilitate Cumainn in projecting an accurate image of the party and its policies." — *Castleknock Cumann (West Co. Dublin)*.

Similar resolutions from West Co. Dublin and Dublin South Central Comhairlí Dáilcheantair; Cumainn Kevin Barry (Sth. Co. Dublin); James Connolly (Dublin-Artane); Clonsilla (West Co. Dublin); Fintan Lalor (Dublin Sth. East).

5. "That this Ard-Fheis renews its dedication to the implementation of a policy of social justice, with the wider distribution of the national wealth and a truly democratic system of comprehensive education which will ensure that all citizens have equality of opportunity." — *Cumann Tomas O Faoláin (Dublin South East)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Gus Murphy (Dublin South Central); Tomás MacDonnchadha (Dublin-Finglas); Rathcormac (Waterford); Ballyhooly (Nth. East Cork); Andy Clerkin (Mid Co. Dublin); Owen Roe O'Neill, Booterstown (Dun Laoghaire).

6. "This Ard-Fheis endorses the opinion that the formation of the Party Front Bench should take account of the finest and most effective talent available from within the Party." — *Drummond Whelan Cumann (Dublin-Rathmines West)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Comhairlí Ceantair Blessington (Mid Co. Dublin); Blarney (Mid Cork); Dunmanway (South West Cork); Nenagh (North Tipperary); Cumainn Clonsilla, Patrick Sarsfield (West Co. Dublin); Ann Devlin, Thomas Russell (Sth. Co. Dublin); Cathal Brugha (Dun Laoghaire); Patrick Farnham (Dublin-Ballyfermot); Old Mill (West Limerick); Delaney Bros. (Cork City); John Galvin (Mid Cork); Blessington (Mid Co. Dublin); Fethard (Sth. Tipperary); Na bPiar-saigh (Dublin-Rathmines West); Shanballymore (North East Cork); Tomás MacDonnacha (Dublin-Finglas).

ORGANISATION

1. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that a greater effort be made to involve young people in politics at Cumann level."—*Caragh Cumann (Kildare)*.

Resolutions on the same subject from Kanturk Comhairle Ceantair (Mid Cork); Cumainn Ardee (Louth); Barntown (Wexford); T. MacSuibhne (Sth. Co. Dublin); Athenry (East Galway); Carrigaline (Mid Cork); Greystones (Wicklow); Tom Blake (East Limerick).

2. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that in the Dublin area a Constituency Delegate to the National Executive be elected at a specially convened meeting of the Comhairle Dáilcheantair instead of by Postal Ballot."—*Dublin-Cabra Comhairle Dailcheantair*.

Resolutions on related matters from Roscommon-Leitrim, Cork City Comhairlí Dáilcheantair; Ennis Comhairle Ceantair (Clare); Cumainn An tSairseálaigh (East Limerick); Baltimore (Sth. West Cork); Roscommon Town (Roscommon); Mountmellick (Laois); Celbridge (West Co. Dublin); Macroom (Mid Cork); Dr. James Ryan, Wexford (Wexford); Wateraughy (Cavan).

3. "The Ard-Fheis resolves that the annual registration fee for a Cumann shall be two pounds, effective immediately — *National Executive*.

4. "Molann an Ard-Fheis seo go ndéantar iarracht cuid de gnó gach cruinniú bheith tré Gaedhilge agus an leagan Gaelach d'ainmeacha a úsáid." — *Portlairge Comhairle Dailcheantair*

Ruin ar an ábhar céanna ó Cumainn Seán T. Ó Ceallaigh (C. Corcaigh); Greanach (Corcaigh Láir); Micheál Ó hAnnracháin (Áth Cliath-Cluain Tarbh).

5. "That the Ard-Fheis should, in future, be divided into Departmental sessions which would allow a number of debates to run concurrently." — *Clare Comhairle Dailcheantair*.

Resolutions on related matters from South Co. Dublin Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Cobh Comhairle Ceantair (Nth. East Cork); Cumainn Mervue (West Galway); Dundrum (Sth. Co. Dublin); Pádraig Pearse (Dublin-Cabra); Baldoyle (Dublin-Clontarf); Na bPiar-sach (Dublin-Rathmines West); Brian Dillon (Cork City); Thomas Clarke, Rathcoole (West Co. Dublin).

6. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that the issue of receipts for subscriptions to the Annual National Collection be dispensed with." — *Monaghan Comhairle Dailcheantair*.

Resolutions on related matters from East and West Galway, North East Cork Comhairlí Dáilcheantair, Comhairlí Ceantair Cavan (Cavan); Ennis, Killahee (Clare); Boyle (Roscommon); Cumainn Pádraig Pearse (Dublin-Cabra); Delvin (Westmeath); Tullow (Car-low); Mountmellick (Laois); Thomas Clarke, Rathcoole (West Co. Dublin); Dr. James Ryan (Wexford); Sean Lemass, Deansgrange (Dun Laoghaire); Kilkee (Clare); Athenry (East Galway); Carrick-on-Suir (Sth. Tipperary).

7. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that the Coru be amended to the effect that no officer at Cumann, Comhairle Ceantair, Comhairle Dáilcheantair level be allowed to hold the same office for more than three consecutive years." — *M. J. McManus Cumann, Carrick-on-Shannon (Leitrim)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Dublin-Clontarf Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Comhairlí Ceantair Lismore (Waterford); Donagh de Barra (Mid Cork); Cumainn Lifford (Donegal); John Galvin (Mid Cork); Delvin (Westmeath); Baldoyle, Seamus Ó Riain (Dublin-Clontarf); Claremorris (East Mayo); Tallow (Waterford); Doneraile (North East Cork); Joseph Hudson (Dun Laoghaire).

8. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that each Constituency should undertake a special study project in the social, economic or industrial sphere within its geographic boundary." — *Robert Emmett Cumann (Dublin Sth. Central)*.



Resolutions on related matters from Rathmines West Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Comhairlí Ceantair South Monaghan (Monaghan); Limerick City (East Limerick); Fethard (Sth. Tipperary); Cumainn Barntown, Dr. James Ryan (Wexford) An tSairseálaigh (East Limerick); Frure (Clare); Baltimore (South West Cork); Oscar Traynor (Dublin-Clontarf); Seamus Toal, Dundalk (Louth).

9. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that Rule 20 (1) of the Coru be amended to read "that all Cumann A.G.M.'s be held between January 1st and March 31st each year." —*South Tipperary Comhairle Dailcheantair.*

Resolutions on related matters from Dublin Rathmines West, Dun Laoghaire Comhairlí Dáilcheantair, J. J. Clare Cumann (Dublin South Central).

10. "This Ard-Fheis recommends that the basis of the Cumann in Urban and City areas shall be an area having a minimum of 3,000 voters." —*Con Colbert Cumann (Dublin Sth. Central).*



Group 1 FINANCE

Spokesman

MR. GEORGE COLLEY, T.D.

1. "The Ard-Fheis is of opinion that because of the current inflationary position a review of the entire taxation and benefits system should be made immediately with a view to the eventual abolition of taxation on earned income and of rates on home dwellings."—*Cumann Tomas MacSuibhne (South Co. Dublin)*.

Similar resolutions from Comhairlí Dáilcheantair Wicklow; East Limerick; Comhairlí Ceantair Glenties (Donegal); Tipperary (Sth. Tipperary); Killarney (Sth. Kerry); North East Longford (Longford); Ennis (Clare); Youghal-Killeigh, Cobh (North East Cork); Cumainn Grenagh, Carighrohane/Inniscarra, Knockarlaig (Mid Cork); Countess Markievicz (Wexford); Seán Halpin (Louth); Muinebheag (Carlow); Ardahan (West Galway); Kilmurry (Clare); Pádraig Pearse, Bray (Wicklow); Rathcoffey (Kildare); Cobh, Youghal, Kildorrery (North East Cork); Delaney Bros. (Cork City); Martin Savage, Séamus Ó Malle (Dublin-Cabra); Thomas Russell (Sth. Co. Dublin); Liam Lynch (Mid Co. Dublin); John Mitchell (Nth. Tipperary); Carrick-on-Suir (Sth. Tipperary); Fossa (Sth. Kerry); An tSairséalaig (East Limerick); Buncrana (Donegal); Wilkinstown (Meath); Tallow (Waterford); Monaghan Town (Monaghan); Pádraig Pearse (Dublin-Clontarf); Malahide (Nth. Co. Dublin).

2. "Cainfimid go tréan gníomh tubaisteach Aire na Seirbhísi Poiblí i leith na Gaeilge nuair a d'fhógraigh sé nach mbeadh ár dteanga náisiúnta, an Ghaeilge, riachtanach as seo amach d'éinne atá ag lorg post sa Stát Seirbhísi."—*Cumann Inis Corthaigh (Loc Garman)*.

Hundreds of resolutions on the above subject received from all constituencies. Names of senders are not given to save space.

3. "This Ard-Fheis condemns the economic and financial policy of the Coalition and calls for a new initiative in economic planning giving priority to employment and fiscal responsibility."—*Sean Moylan Cumann (Dublin Sth. East)*.

Similar resolutions from Dublin South Central Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Comhairlí Ceantair Swords (Nth. Co. Dublin); Blessington (Mid Co. Dublin); Bandon (Sth. West Cork); Cumainn Greystones (Wicklow); Laytown (Meath); Seán Lemass Youth (East Waterford); Newport (Nth. Tipperary); Muinebheag (Carlow); Cathal Brugha (Dun Laoghaire); Séamus Ó Riain (Dublin-Clontarf).

4. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that salaries of Ministers and T.D.'s be put to the Labour Court and justified in comparison with those of other categories of workers."—*Roscommon-Leitrim Comhairle Dailcheantair*.

Similar resolutions from Comhairlí Ceantair Fermoy, Cobh, (North East Cork); Dungarvan (Waterford); Mountmellick-Tinnahinch (Laois); Cumainn Dunmanway (Sth. West Cork); Sixmilebridge (Clare); Seán Lemass (Dublin-Clontarf).

5. "This Ard-Fheis urges that the rates of V.A.T. be reduced."—*Carrigtwohill Cumann (North East Cork)*.

Similar resolutions from West Co. Dublin Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Listowel Comhairle Ceantair (Nth. Kerry); Cumainn Ballytarsna (Carlow); James McCormack (Dublin-Clontarf); Fr. Augustine (Cork City); James Connolly, Lucan (West Co. Dublin); Duncannon (Wexford); Tomás Loftus (Mid Co. Dublin).

6. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that the next Fianna Fáil Government forthwith upon obtaining office do nationalise the Irish Hospitals Sweepstakes."—*Dublin-Clontarf Comhairle Dailcheantair*.

Resolutions on related matters from Dun Laoghaire Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Cumainn Capt. Noel Lemass (Dublin-Ballyfermot); Joseph Mary Plunkett (Dublin-Finglas).

7. "The Ard-Fheis is of opinion that the Fianna Fáil party should break the link with sterling and formulate an Economic Policy which will be based on Community interests and provide full employment and a proper standard of living for all our people."—*Cathal Brugha Cumann (Dublin-Artane)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Countess Markievicz; Duncannon (Wexford);



Group 2 ECONOMY

AGRICULTURE

Spokesman

MR. JIM GIBBONS, T.D.

1. "This Ard-Fheis censures the Government for permitting the depression in agriculture by its failure (1) to rescue the weanling producer; (2) to ensure that farmers benefitted to the maximum from Intervention; (3) that the subsidy on light beef cattle got back to the producer for whom it was intended; (4) to ensure the adoption of a common E.E.C. Policy for sheep."—*Wicklow Comhairle Dailcheantair*.

Resolutions on related matters from North Clare Comhairle Ceantair (West Galway); Cumainn Ballinahinch (Nth. Tipperary); Ballycroy South (West Mayo); Mohill (Leitrim).

2. "That the Ard-Fheis censures the Government for its lack of policy to assist farmers with fertilisers at a reasonable price, which would enable them to provide feeding for live-stock and to prevent the collapse of the Cattle Trade."—*Gowlan Cumann (Cavan)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Greethill (East Galway); Ballyvourney (Mid Cork); Rossan (Roscommon-Leitrim); Newport (Nth. Tipperary); Barndarrig (Wicklow); Meelin (Mid Cork).

3. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that agricultural production in this country be not impaired through lack of finance."—*South Tipperary Comhairle Dailcheantair*.

Resolutions on related matters from Roscommon-Leitrim Comhairle Dailcheantair; Macroom Comhairle Ceantair (Mid Cork); Cumainn Hollymount (West Mayo); Greethill (East Galway); Dun Laoghaire; Ballylaneen (Waterford); Nenagh (Nth. Tipperary); Merlin Park (West Galway); Cill na Martra (Mid Cork); Patrick Farnan (Dublin-Ballyferret).

4. "The Ard-fheis calls for a change in the system of Premium Slaughter in meat factories and asks for a complete re-appraisal of same."—*Mid Cork Comhairle Dailcheantair*.

Similar resolutions from Cavan Comhairle Dailcheantair; Kilrush Comhairle Ceantair (Clare); Cumainn Roscommon Town (Roscommon); Ballyconneely (West Galway); Caherline (East Limerick); Smithboro (Monaghan); Athenry (East Galway); Fenagh (Sligo-Leitrim); Rossan (Roscommon-Leitrim).

5. "The Ard-Fheis deplores the absolute bungling approach of the Minister for Agriculture towards securing the maximum benefit for Irish farmers from the E.E.C. Agricultural Fund."—*Clonmel Comhairle Ceantair (South Tipperary Comhairle Dailcheantair)*.

Similar resolutions from East Galway Comhairle Dailcheantair; Ennistymon Comhairle Ceantair (West Galway); Kildorrery (North East Cork); Rossan (Roscommon-Leitrim); Duncannon (Wexford).

6. "The Ard-Fheis censures the Anti-Farmer attitudes of the present Government, particularly the Minister for Finance for his unwillingness to come to the assistance of the small farmers."—*Dunmanway Comhairle Ceantair (South West Cork)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Comhairle Ceantair Killaloe (Clare); Ballinrobe (West Mayo); Tramore (Waterford); Cumainn Ballyhooly (North East Cork); John Mitchell (Dublin-Finglas); Drumconrath (Meath).

FISHERIES

Spokesman

MR. DENIS GALLAGHER, T.D.

1. "The Ard-Fheis calls for improved landing and harbour facilities for our Irish Fishing Fleet."—*Kilmore Cumann (Wexford)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Belmullet (West Mayo); Salthill, Murraugh-Gleninagh (West Galway); Balfinore (South West Cork).

2. "The Ard-Fheis recommends the provision of funds and facilities for the development of deep sea angling."—*Youghal Cumann (North-East Cork)*.

Resolutions on related matters from North Inishowen Comhairle Ceantair (Donegal); Cumainn Kevin Barry (Sth. Co. Dublin); Tom Blake (East Limerick).



3. "The Ard-Fheis recommends the introduction of a modified Salmon Control Order thereby allowing salmon licences to all traditional fishermen." — *Belmullet Cumann (West Mayo)*.

Similar resolution from Listowel Comhairle Ceantair (North Kerry).

LANDS AND FORESTRY

Spokesman

MR. JIM TUNNEY, T.D.

1. "That the Ard-Fheis re-affirms its Party Aim (5), to establish as many families as is practicable on the land, and to put forward an alternative to the E.E.C. Farm Development Plan which will be in keeping with this aim." — *Claremorris Cumann (East Mayo)*.

Related resolutions from Cumainn Mohill (Leitrim); Kilworth (North East Cork); Swords (Nth. Co. Dublin).

2. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that the Irish Land Commission speed up the acquisition and distribution of land in congested areas." — *Gort Comhairle Ceantair (East Galway)*.

Similar resolution from Kinnego Cumann (Donegal).

3. "The Ard-Fheis calls for the immediate abolition of the present Land Commission structure because of its abject failure to acquire and divide derelict holdings" — *Ballyconneely Cumann (West Galway)*.

Similar resolution from Ballinlough Comhairle Ceantair (East Mayo); Ramelton Cumann (Donegal).

INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE

Spokesman

MR. DESMOND O'MALLEY, T.D.

1. "The Ard-Fheis condemns the Government for its complete mismanagement of the Nation's Affairs and deplores the distressing state of the economy in general such as huge unemployment, rising prices and farming depression." — *Thomas Ashe Cumann, Barntown (Wexford)*.

Similar resolutions from Comhairlí Dáilcheantair Wicklow, Dublin-Artane, Dublin-Ballyfermot; Dunmanway Comhairle Ceantair (South West Cork); Cumainn

Letterkenny (Donegal); Micheal Ó hAnnrachain, James McCormack (Dublin-Clontarf); Sean Lemass, Deansgrange (Dun Laoghaire); Mullingar (Westmeath); Ballinhassig, Cill na Martra (Mid Cork); Melleray (Waterford); Cavan Town (Cavan); Blessington (Mid Co. Dublin); Killarney, Fossa (Sth. Kerry); Erskine Childers (Dublin-Finglas); Cathal Brugha, Capt. Noel Lemass (Dublin-Ballyfermot); Greethill (East Galway).

2. "The Ard-Fheis calls for the introduction of comprehensive legislation to protect the consumer from dishonest and deceitful trading practices." — *Ann Devlin Cumann (Sth. Co. Dublin)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Comhairlí Ceantair North Inishowen (Donegal); Limerick City (East Limerick); Cumainn Seamus Ó Maille (Dublin-Cabra); Seán Brady (Dun Laoghaire); John Mitchell (Dublin-Finglas); Robert E. Childers (Dublin-Rathmines West); Drumconrath (Monaghan).

3. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that immediate attention be given to the introduction of new industries through I.D.A. to those areas most affected by redundancy." — *Ballinahinch Cumann (North Tipperary)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Cumainn Greenhills (West Co. Dublin); Joseph Mary Plunkett (Dublin-Finglas); Bob Briscoe (Dublin-Rathmines West); Old Leighlin (Carlow-Kilkenny); Glentogher (Donegal).

4. "The Ard-Fheis deplores the attitudes of the Minister for Industry and Commerce for his total lack of action and inefficiency in dealing with the mining problems of the country." — *An Uaimh Cumann (Meath)*.

Resolutions on the same subject from West Co. Dublin Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Comhairlí Ceantair North Clare; Ennistymon (West Galway); Cumainn Ardahan (West Galway); John Mitchell (Nth. Tipperary); Tadhg Lynch, Kinsale (South West Cork); Boyle (Roscommon); Flanagan (Louth); Shankill (South Co. Dublin); Carlow Cross (Meath).

5. "The Ard-Fheis is of opinion that the economic situation demands that a serious and comprehensive Buy Irish Campaign should be carried out forthwith." — *O'Rahilly Cumann, Bray (Wicklow)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Cumainn Fermoy; Carrigrohane; Youghall-Killeagh (North East Cork); Wolfe Tone (Dublin-Artane); Cavan Town (Cavan); Murrough-Gleninagh (West Galway); Santry (Nth. Co. Dublin); Smithboro (Monaghan); Dunmanway (Sth. West Cork); Shankill (Sth. Co. Dublin).



6. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that Motor Insurance be nationalised and that all insurance companies be obliged to have a fixed rate of premiums for various horse-power cars, similar to the road tax system." — *Ullard Cumann (Kilkenny)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Glenamaddy (East Galway); Harry Boland (Dublin Sth. Central); Wolfe Tone (Dublin-Artane); Shankill (South Co. Dublin).

Group 3 COMMUNITY CARE

EDUCATION

Spokesman

MR. JOHN WILSON, T.D.

1. "The Ard-Fheis calls on the Government to finance the Community Schools adequately in all their aspects — *Kingscourt Cumann (Cavan)*." ✓ P

Similar resolutions from Comhairlí Dáilcheantair East Limerick; Dublin-Finglas; Dublin Sth. East; Cumainn Sean French (Cork City); Kingscourt (Cavan); Eamon O'Daly (Dublin-Cabra); Thurles (Nth. Tipperary); Erskine Childers (Dublin-Finglas); Enniscorthy (Wexford).

2. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that a qualification in Remedial Teaching become an integral part of the basic qualifications of teachers in first and second level education." — *Cahir Cumann (Sth. Tipperary)*. ✓

Similar resolutions from South Tipperary Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Ballyboden Comhairle Ceantair (Mid Co. Dublin); Cumainn Bob Briscoe (Mid Co. Dublin); Patrick Sarsfield (West Co. Dublin); Thomas Davis (Dublin-Clontarf); Rathcormac (Waterford).

3. "The Ard-Fheis is of opinion that the pupil/teacher ratio in primary schools should be greatly improved with regard to the difficulties involved in the teaching of grouped classes." — *Denis Lacy Cumann (South Tipperary)*. ✓

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Bob Briscoe (Mid Co. Dublin); Harry Colley (Dublin-Clontarf); Gus Murphy (Dublin South Central); Thomas Farrell (West Co. Dublin); James Connolly (Dublin-Artane); Tallow (Waterford).

4. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that libraries of used books be set up in schools for nominal renting to pupils each year." — *Clune-Clancy Cumann (Dublin-Finglas)*. ✓ B

Similar resolutions from Comhairlí Ceantair South Inishowen (Donegal); Kanturk (Mid Cork); Clonmel (South Tipperary).

5. "The Ard-Fheis deplores the inefficiency of the free schools health examination and strongly recommends the inclusion of all children in post primary schools to same." — *Clyduff Cumann (Offaly)*. ✓ P

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Cill na Martra (Mid Cork); Fermoy (North East Cork); Abbeyside (Waterford); Renmore (West Galway); Bros. Pearse (West Co. Dublin).

6. "The Ard-Fheis urges that the future policy of the Party ensures that third-level education grants be significantly increased." — *James O'Connor Cumann Tulamore (Offaly)*. ✓ P

Resolutions on the same subject from Cumainn Macroom (Mid Cork); T. MacSuibhne (Sth. Co. Dublin); Donagh O'Malley (East Limerick); Enniscorthy (Wexford); Direendarragh (South Kerry); Liam Pearse Bray (Wicklow); Trinity College, Harry Boland (Dublin Sth. Central); Ned Daly (Dublin-Artane); Fr. Dominic (Cork City).

7. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that a copy of the pupil's confidential report which is submitted by the head teachers of primary schools to Post Primary Schools be forwarded to the parents of each pupil." — *Cavan Comhairle Dailcheantair*. ✓ P

Same resolution from Tomás Loftus Cumann (Mid Co. Dublin).

8. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that all primary and post primary schools be equipped with kitchens for school meals and that a fully comprehensive programme for such meals be introduced without delay." — *Dublin-Clontarf Comhairle Dailcheantair*. ✓ P

Same resolutions from Cumainn Gowlan (Cavan); Ned Daly (Dublin-Artane); Oscar Traynor (Dublin-Clontarf).



9. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that continuous assessment of students progress replace the present examination system." — *Padraig MacPiarais Cumann (Dublin North Central)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Cavan Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Thomas Davis Cumann (Dublin Sth. Central).

10. "The Ard-Fheis demands that the Minister for Education provide adequate finance for school libraries." — *Clune Clancy Cumann (Finglas)*.

11. "The Ard-Fheis recommends all schools that are taking a Leaving Certificate course should provide a range of subjects to enable its pupils to gain entrance to University." — *Cavan Comhairle Dailcheantair (Cavan-Monaghan)*.

12. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that a greater proportion of Third Level Education Grants be assigned to the Technological Colleges which are producing graduates related to the present need of the economy." — *T. MacSuibhne Cumann (South County Dublin)*.

13. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that grants be made available to schools and colleges for Adult Education Course." — *Donogh O'Malley Cumann (East Limerick)*.

SOCIAL WELFARE

Spokesman

MR. DAVID ANDREWS, T.D.

1. "The Ard-Fheis recommends an automatic adjustment in Social Welfare benefits related to the cost of living index." — *North East Cork Comhairle Dailcheantair*.

Similar resolutions from Dublin-Artane Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Rathluirc Comhairle Ceantair (Mid Cork); Cumainn Martin Savage (Dublin-Cabra); John S. O'Connor (Dublin-Artane); Renmore (West Galway); Denis Lacy (South Tipperary); Custume (Westmeath); M. J. MacManus (Roscommon); Carrigtwohill, Youghal (North East Cork); Fr. Augustine (Cork City); Sean Lemass (Clare); Liam Lynch (Mid Co. Dublin).

2. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that the concessions already granted to old age and other pensioners in respect of free electricity be extended immediately to those in receipt of disability benefit and of Widows and Orphans (non-Contributory) Pensions." — *Monaghan Town Cumann*.

Similar resolution from Tom Crofts Cumann (Cork City).

3. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that the Social Welfare Means Test be reviewed." — *Mid Cork Comhairle Dailcheantair*.

Resolutions on related matters from Dublin South Central Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Cumainn Fermoy (North East Cork); Con Colbert (Dublin South Central); Micheal Ó hAnnrachain (Dublin-Clontarf).

4. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that the qualifying age for contributory and non-contributory old age pension should be reduced to 65 years immediately." — *Fr. Dominic Cumann (Cork City)*.

Similar resolutions from Tower Comhairle Ceantair (Mid-Cork); Cumainn Ballybofey (Donegal); Seosamh Pluncéid (Dublin-Artane); Brittas Bay (Wicklow); Boyle (Roscommon); Madame Markievicz (Dublin Sth. Central); Salthill (West Galway); Fermoy ((North East Cork); Macroom, Captain Mackey, Passage West (Mid Cork).

5. "The Ard-Fheis is of opinion that wives are entitled to the same Social Welfare benefits as their husbands." — *Cumann Seasga Sé (Dublin -Ballyfermot)*.

Resolutions on related subject from Brian Dillon Cumann (Cork City).

HEALTH

Spokesman

MR. CHARLES J. HAUGHEY, T.D.

1. "The Ard-Fheis is of the opinion that the income limits for qualification for Medical Cards should be greatly increased." — *Caragh Cumann (Kildare)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Knockalarig (Mid Cork); Wilkinstown (Meath); Nurney (Carlow-Kilkenny); Cásca (Dublin South East).



2. "The Ard-Fheis recommends the introduction of a fair and workable Family Planning Bill." — *Cumann Seasga Sé (Dublin-Ballyfermot)*. *Ruth Mitchell G. (Mid Cork)*

Resolutions on the same subject from Cumainn Cavan Town (Cavan); Kevin Barry, U.C.D. (Dublin South East).

3. "The Ard-Fheis is gravely concerned by the crises which have developed in the Medical Services generally, due to Government mismanagement." *Athboy Cumann (Meath)*. *P*

Resolutions on related matters from East Limerick Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Comhairlí Ceantair Athlone (Longford-Westmeath); Sth. Monaghan (Monaghan); Kilrush (Clare); Cumainn Seán French (Cork City); Glendalough (Wicklow); Capt. Noel Lemass (Dublin South Central); Liam Pearse, Bray (Wicklow); Smithboro (Cavan); Michéal Ó Muirise (Waterford).

4. "The Ard-Fheis recommends the introduction of a Programme of Health Education into all Post Primary Schools so that young people may be fully informed on such health hazards as tobacco, alcohol and drugs." — *Thurles Ladies Cumann (North Tipperary)*. *P*

Similar resolutions from Dublin-Finglas Comhairle Dáilcheantair; North Louth Comhairle Ceantair (Louth); Cumann Séamus Ó Maille (Dublin-Cabra).

5. "The Ard-Fheis recommends the adoption of the Fitzgerald Report to the fullest extent regarding General Hospitalisation." — *James O'Connor Cumann, Tullamore (Offaly)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Cumainn Mullingar (Westmeath); Tullow (Carlow). *hork*

GAELTACHT

Spokesman

MR. LIAM CUNNINGHAM, T.D.

1. "Go bhfuil an Ard-Fheis seo fíor mhíshásta le polasaí an Rialtais faoi'n dteanga Gaeilge." — *Farmers Cross Cumann (Mid Cork)*.

Ruin ar an abhar ceanna o Lár Chorcaigh Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Comhairlí Ceantair Inis Eoghan Thuaidh, (Dún na nGall); Gort (Gaillimh Oirthir); Cumainn Philip Ó Dalaigh (Luí); Oileán Chiarraí (Chiarraí Thuaidh).

2. "Iarann an Ard-Fheis go gcuirfidh Udarás nua na Gaeltachta moill in áit luas le Forbairt na Gaeltachta de réir na rialacha sé le bunú faoi." — *Bruckless Comhairle Ceantair (Dun na nGall)*.

3. "Iarann an Ard-Fheis go cuirfí Aireacht Gaeltachta ar bun le hAire ón Ghaeltacht i gceannas." — *Comhairle Dailcheantair Gaillimh Iarthair*.

4. "The Ard-Fheis requests the Minister for the Gaeltacht to provide adequate job opportunities in the Gaeltacht areas to cater for off-farm employment." — *Belmullet Cumann (West Mayo)*. *Belmullet Local for 3*

YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CARE

Spokesman

MR. PEARSE WYSE, T.D.

1. "The Ard-Fheis calls for more help and encouragement to all aspects of Youth and Community Care." — *Sean French Cumann (Cork City)*.

Similar resolutions from West Galway Comhairle Dáil cheantair, Cumainn Cahir (South Tipperary), Watergrasshill (North East Cork), Cathal Brugha (Dun Laoghaire), Clann an Phiarasaigh, Kevin Barry U.C.G. (West Galway).

2. "This Ard-Fheis endorses as an element of Fianna Fáil social policy, the belief that the State should play a more positive role in the provision of Community Leadership Services." — *Shankill Cumann (South Co. Dublin)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Cumainn Frure (Clare), Capt. Noel Lemass (Dublin South Central), Glentogher (Donegal).

Group 4

ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Spokesman

MR. PÁDRAIG Ó FACHTNA, T.D.

1. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that special provision be made to enable Local Authorities to provide adequately for recreational and sporting facilities in public and private housing developments." — *Thomas Farrel Cumann (West Co. Dublin)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Bob Briscoe (Rathmines West); Celbridge (West Co. Dublin); Liam Pedlar (South Co. Dublin).

2. "The Ard-Fheis calls for a restoration of confidence and safeguarding of employment in the house building industry through (a) increasing Small Dwellings Acquisition loans to £6,000 and income limit to £3,000; (b) a 50% increase in new house grants; (c) the abolition of liability for income tax on interest paid by building societies on deposits up to £5,000, and (d) the granting of trustee status to Building Societies." — *Droichead Nua Cumann (Kildare)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Comhairlí Ceantair Tramore (Waterford); Glenamaddy (East Galway); Clonmel (South Tipperary); Swords (North Co. Dublin); South Innishowen (Donegal); Cumainn Custume, Kinnegad (Westmeath); Kinnego, Glenties (Donegal); Thomas McDonagh (Dublin-Ballyfermot); Fr. Dominic (Cork City); Meghan-Neary (Dun Laoghaire); Listowel (North Kerry).

3. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that the procedure for the election of President of Ireland remains unaltered." — *Portumna Cumann (East Galway)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Dublin-Artane Comhairle Dáilceantair; Comhairlí Ceantair Tipperary (South Tipperary); Lismore (Waterford); North Louth (Louth); Carrigrohane, Ballyvourney, Tower (Mid. Cork); Cumainn New Ross (Wexford); Letterkenny Buncrana (Donegal); Captain Mackey Passage (Mid. Cork); Donogh O'Malley (East Limerick); Thomas Ashe (Dublin-Cabra); Thomas Clarke, Rathcoole (West Co. Dublin); Gortnumera (East Galway).

4. "This Ard-Fheis re-affirms its decision to provide piped water supplies to all homes in rural Ireland." — *Nurney Cumann (Carlow)*.

Similar resolutions from Clare Comhairle Dáilceantair; Cumainn Liam Pearse, Bray (Wicklow); Cnoc an Fhoghmhair (Portlairge).

5. "The Ard-Fheis adopts as its policy the abolition of Rates on Voluntary Sporting Organisations." — *John Mitchell Cumann (North Kerry)*.

Resolutions on the same subject from Cumainn Liam Pearse, Bray (Wicklow); Seosamh Pluncéid (Dublin-Artane); Mervue (West Galway); St. Margarets (North Co. Dublin).

6. "The Ard-Fheis calls for the issue of a comprehensive Planning Policy providing for the protection of our architectural heritage." — *Gus Murphy Cumann (Dublin Sth. Central)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Glenties Comhairle Ceantair (Donegal); Cumainn Philip Daly, Sean Halpin (Louth); Seosamh Pluincéid (Dublin-Artane); Fenagh (Sligo-Leitrim); Kenmare (South Kerry); Thomas McDonagh (Dublin-Cabra).

7. "The Ard-Fheis urges a review of the workings of the County Managerial Act to remove any anomalies and that County Managers provide more information to elected Council members." — *Sean Halpin Cumann (Louth)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Cumainn Ramelton Letterkenny (Donegal); Frure (Clare); Erskine Childers (Dublin-Finglas); Philip Daly (Louth).

OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS

Spokesman

MR. TOM FITZPATRICK, T.D.

1. "The Ard-Fheis recommends the replacement of prefabricated buildings in primary and post primary schools and demands that proper accommodation be provided" — *East Galway Comhairle Dailcheantair*.

Similar resolutions from Gort Cumann (East Galway).

2. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that special emphasis be given to the improvement of Harbour facilities around our coastline." — *Skerries Cumann (North Co. Dublin)*.



PHYSICAL PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

Spokesman

MR. JOHN O'LEARY, T.D.

1. "This Ard-Fheis is of opinion that a serious deterioration of the physical and human environment has begun and calls for immediate corrective action." — *Robert Erskine Childers Cumann (Dublin-Rathmines West)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Dingle (South Kerry); Séamus Ó Riain (Dublin South Central); Cathal Brughá (South Co. Dublin); Sean Moylan (Dublin South East); Thurles Ladies (North Tipperary); Captain Mackey, Passage (Mid Cork):

2. "The Ard-Fheis urges closer co-operation and greater identification by it's members with local interest groups engaged in the improvement of the environment and preservation of our cultural and physical heritage." — *Dublin South-Central Comhairle Dailcheantair*.

Similar resolution from Thomas Davis Cumann (Dublin South Central).

Group 5 EXTERNAL RELATIONS

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Spokesman

MR. MICHAEL O'KENNEDY, T.D.

1. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that the Irish Territorial and Sea Fishing limits be extended to two hundred (200) miles — *Kilmore Cumann (Wexford)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Kevin Barry (Sth. Co. Dublin); Donogh O'Malley (Mid Cork).

2. "The Ard-Fheis condemns the lack of initiative of the present government concerning Regional Development and resolves that the resources of the E.E.C. Regional Development Fund be spent in areas of greater need." — *Jamestown Cumann (Roscommon-Leitrim)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Sean Brady (Dun Laoghaire); Fintan Lalor (Dublin Sth. East); Garlow Cross (Meath).

3. "This Ard-Fheis calls on the Irish Government to make financial provision for the poorer sections of Irish communities living abroad." — *Sean Brady Cumann Stillorgan (Dun Laoghaire)*.

NORTHERN IRELAND

Spokesman

MR. RUAIRÍ BRUGHÁ, T.D.

1. "The Ard-Fheis is of opinion that the Irish dimension can best be realised through the spirit of mutual understanding and co-operation." — *Robert Emmett Cumann (Dublin South Central)*.

Resolutions on related matters from South Co. Dublin, Dublin-Cabra Comhairlí Dailcheantair; Cumainn Mountmellick-Tinnahinch (Laois-Offaly); Tomás Ó Faoláin, Frank Lawlor (Dublin South East); Ballinhassig (Mid Cork); Laytown-Bettystown (Meath); Cathal Brughá, Peadar Clancy (Dublin-Artane).

2. "The Ard-Fheis calls for the immediate end to internment and the harrassment of the population of the six North Eastern Counties of our country." — *Cumann Craoibhinn Aoibhinn (Dublin-Artane)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Beale (Nth. Kerry); Thurles (Nth. Tipperary); Thomas Davis (Dublin-Clontarf); Dun Laoghaire (Dun Laoghaire).

3. "This Ard-Fheis calls for a clear statement of Party Policy on the question of Extradition." — *Casement Moran Cumann (Dun Laoghaire)*.



Group 6

SOCIAL AND INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS

JUSTICE

Spokesman

MR. GERARD COLLINS, T.D.

1. "The Ard-Fheis requests the strict enforcement of the law regarding the sale of intoxicating drink to underage persons." — *Reynella Cumann (Westmeath)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Harry Boland (Dublin South Central); Caherline (East Limerick); Tomás Ó Laoghaire (Dublin South East).

2. "The Ard-Fheis urges the Department of Justice to realistically remunerate lawyers who operate the Criminal Legal Aid System and that defendants be advised of their rights to this aid." — *Laytown Cumann (Meath)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Cumainn St. Joseph's (West Galway); Patrick Sarsfield (West Co. Dublin); Donagh O'Malley (Mid Cork).

3. "The Ard-Fheis calls for a re-definition of the Irish family unit." — *Cumann Craoibhinn Aoibhinn (Dublin-Rathmines)*.

Resolution on the same subject from Thomas Farrell Cumann (West Co. Dublin).

4. "The Ard-Fheis condemns indiscriminate bombing and recommends that greater care be given to security within the State." — *Santry Cumann (North Co. Dublin)*.

Similar resolutions from Melleray Cumann (Waterford).

5. "The Ard-Fheis recommends the introduction of a comprehensive code of Family Law which will protect the interests of deserted wives, unmarried mothers and deprived children." — *Thurles Ladies Cumann (Nth. Tipperary)*.

Similar resolution from Cumainn Craoibhinn Aoibhinn (Dublin-Rathmines); Seasga Sé (Dublin-Ballyfermot).

6. "The Ard-Fheis calls on the Parliamentary Party to strongly oppose the Criminal Law (Jurisdiction) Bill, 1974." — *Macroom Comhairle Ceantair (Mid-Cork)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Trinity College (Dublin South Central) and Thurles (North Tipperary).

7. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that future appointments to the judiciary be made by an independent and impartial Appointments Commission." — *New Ross Cumann (Wexford)*.

8. "The Ard-Fheis adopts as its policy the abolition of all Ground Rents." — *Douglas Cumann (Mid Cork)*.

Similar resolutions from Youghal-Killeigh Comhairle Ceantair (North East Cork); Cumainn Mervue (West Galway); Athy (Kildare); Gus Murphy (Dublin South Central); Donagh O'Malley (Dublin-Ballyfermot).

LABOUR

Spokesman

MR. GENE FITZGERALD, T.D.

1. "This Ard-Fheis condemns the Minister for Labour for his failure to fully implement the Women's Rights Programme more especially in this international Womens' Year." — *Cumainn Pa McGrath Blarney (Mid Cork)* and *Bros. Pearse, Clondalkin (West Co. Dublin)*.

Similar resolution from Dublin South Central Comhairle Dáilcheantair.

2. "This Ard-Fheis is of opinion that a code of Worker Participation should be promoted in State and semi-State bodies and that Fianna Fáil should have, as part of its policy, a comprehensive code of worker participation to cover industry as a whole." — *Dublin-Ballyfermot Comhairle Dáilcheantair (Dublin)*.

3. "In view of the appalling unemployment situation and the gigantic increases in prices this Ard-Fheis calls for an immediate re-convening of the Employer/Labour Conference to



consider bringing forward the termination date of the fifteenth round National Wage Agreement." — *Greenhills Cumann (West Co. Dublin)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Cumainn Oscar Traynor (Dublin-Clontarf); Countess Markievicz (Wexford).

4. "This Ard-Fheis proposes that the Polytechnic complex for Dublin should remain under public control and incorporate adequate staff representation in its management, and strongly opposes the idea of 'hiving off' the apprentices into a separate institution." — *Patrick Farnham Cumann, Chapelizod (Dublin-Ballyfermot)*.

5. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that our members and supporters take a more active role in the trade unions to which they belong." — *Cathal Brugha Cumann (Dublin-Ballyfermot)*

6. "This Ard-Fheis calls on the Party to press for the implementation of equal pay for women by 1976." — *Celbridge Cumann (West Co. Dublin)*.

Similar resolutions from Dublin-Ballyfermot Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Cumainn Melleray (Waterford); James O'Connor, Tullamore (Offaly); Capt. Noel Lemass (Dublin-Ballyfermot).

7. "The Ard-Fheis views with apprehension the serious rise in unemployment." — *Blarney Comhairle Ceantair (Mid Cork)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Mid Cork Comhairle Dáilcheantair; Glenties Comhairle Ceantair (Donegal); Cumainn Fethard (Sth. Tipperary); Ballymun (North Co. Dublin); Joseph Mary Plunkett (Dublin Finglas).

DEFENCE

Spokesman

MR. JOE DOWLING, T.D.

1. "The Ard-Fheis calls for a substantial increase in the special allowances for Old I.R.A. pensions to bring them in line with the present exorbitant high cost of living." — *M. McGearailt Cumann, Fermoy (North East Cork)*.

Similar resolutions from Tipperary Comhairle Ceantair (South Tipperary).

2. "The Ard-Fheis is of opinion that a period of compulsory military service should be introduced for all youths between the ages of eighteen (18) and twenty (20) years." — *Bros. Pearse Cumann (West Co. Dublin)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Cumainn Trinity College (Dublin Sth. Central); Greystones (Wicklow).

3. "The Ard-Fheis calls for an examination in detail and expansion of our Irish Naval Services." — *Clann an Phiarsaigh Cumann (Mid Co. Dublin)*.

4. "This Ard-Fheis views with concern the insulting remarks of Coalition Ministers regarding our Defence Forces." — *Droichead Nua Cumann (Kildare)*.

Similar resolutions from Bullinhassig Cumann (Mid Cork).

Group 7 COMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS

Spokesman

MR. ROBERT MOLLOY, T.D.

1. "The Ard-Fheis calls for the immediate provision of a public telephone kiosk in all new housing estates." — *Douglas Cumann (Mid Cork)*.

2. "This Ard-Fheis directs the Parliamentary Party to treat in the utmost urgency the appalling situation prevailing in the national telephone system and to press the Minister to return immediately to the position when the telephone system can be looked upon as a confidential means of discussing business." — *Ballyboden Comhairle Ceantair (Mid Co. Dublin)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Murrough-Gleninagh (West Galway); Thomas Ashe (Dublin-Cabra); M. J. McManus, Carrick-on-Shannon (Leitrim).



3. "This Ard-Fheis condemns the uneven distribution of time given on Television and Radio to Government and Opposition points of view and calls for a resumption of political debate on television between Government and Opposition—*Jeremiah O'Mulane Cumann (Mid Cork)*).

Similar resolutions from Thomas Ashe Cumann Barntown (Wexford).

4. "This Ard-Fheis calls for an alternative choice of T.V. programmes for viewers in the single channel area." — *Abbeyfeale (West Limerick)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Cumainn Tomás Loftus (Mid Co. Dublin); Athy (Kildare); Cabinteely (South Co. Dublin).

5. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that the insidious practice of the glamourisation of alcoholic drinking by young people in television advertising be severely curtailed." — *Ann Devlin Cumann (South Co. Dublin)*.

TRANSPORT AND POWER

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1. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that the present high charges by the Electricity Supply Board for extensions of Rural electrification be abolished." — *Two Mile House Cumann (Kildare)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Dunmanway (Sth. West Cork); Ballycroy South (West Mayo); Glenties (Donegal); Seán Lemass, Dean's Grange (Dun Laoghaire).

2. "The Ard-Fheis recommends the development of our coastal and deep water merchant fleets to provide an effective service for our exporters thus lessening our dependence on foreign owned shipping." — *Harry Colley Cumann (Dublin-Clontarf)*.

3. "The Ard-Fheis recommends the setting up of a Special Energy Commission to examine the present and future energy requirements and how best these can be met from Irish resources, of which the Irish people have control." — *Padraig Pearse Cumann (Dublin-Clontarf)*.

Similar resolutions from Cumainn Glentogher (Donegal); Ballycroy South (West Mayo); Mohill (Leitrim) Ballymun (Nth. Co. Dublin).

4. "The Ard-Fheis recommends that Government Ministers, all deputies and senators as well as top Government officials use public transport as much as possible during the present oil crisis." — *Donogh O'Malley Cumann (East Limerick)*.

Resolutions on related matters from Dun Laoghaire Comhairle Ceantair; Cumainn Eamon O'Daly (Dublin-Cabra); James Connolly (Dublin-Artane).

5. "The Ard Fheis recommends that adequate grants be made available by Bord Failte to small holiday resorts." — *Gort Comhairle Ceantair (East Galway)*.



FÓGRAÍ — NOTICES

Annual Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of every Cumann for the election of Officers for 1975 is due to be held within ten weeks after the Ard-Fheis. Cumainn are urged to hold this meeting and Register before 31st March.

Registration

A motion to increase the Registration Fee to £2 per Cumann is before the Ard-Fheis.

National Collection

The National Collection will be made outside the Churches in all areas on Sunday, 18th May. Dates for House to House Collections will be arranged later.

Membership Cards

Membership Cards are available from Headquarters at the rate of 35p per dozen, post free. Please send P.O. for the quantity required with Order.

The 45th Ard-Fheis

The 45th Ard-Fheis of Fianna Fáil will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 13th, 14th and 15th February, 1976 in the R.D.S. premises, Ballsbridge, Dublin.

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WATERFORD	7.15 p.m.
TRALEE	6.30 p.m.
(Train to Limerick and bus to Tralee — 9.30 p.m.)			
GALWAY	7.00 pm.
BALLINA	7.00 p.m.

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From Connolly Station

DUNDALK	6.30 p.m.
SLIGO	6.25 p.m.

SPECIAL FARE

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BUS SERVICES

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