

Paddy Scully is the Aontú representative for the Mallow LEA (Local Electoral Area). He is a Chartered Engineer, an MBA, and Lectures in TUS Limerick on the Built Environment.

He believes in having a strong local government that serves the local population. This means that attention must be paid to the small as well as the large issues that affect the functioning and the prospering of a locality.

The footpath must be fixed, the local hall and youth services supported, and the infrastructure and business environment promoted. These are all areas in which Paddy has experience in his career to date.

PADDY SCULLY Mallow

FIGHTING FOR **INFRASTRUCTURE IN NORTH CORK**

Mallow is fortunate to be located on the main rail line between Cork and Dublin, but there is a great need for local representatives to push the development of the Cork to Limerick motorway.

Aontú believes that the Mallow to Charleville portion of this motorway should receive precedence as this is the worst part of the Cork to Limerick route. This would greatly improve the connectivity to Mallow and help establish Mallow as a center in its own right for both industry and habitation. The bypass would also help relieve some of the congestion Mallow is experiencing.

Mallow and surrounding areas could gain significantly by promoting Mallow as a digital hub in conjunction with the existing educational facilities provided by the Cork College of FET located here. Paddy Scully is committed to fighting for and delivering better infrastructure for Mallow and North Cork.

534 CORK COUNCIL HOUSES ARE EMPTY IN A HOUSING CRISIS!

Our young people cannot afford to buy their own home and are now emigrating in large numbers to Australia and Canada. Government policies facilitated a housing bubble followed by a housing shortage. We now have exorbitant prices to purchase or rent.

Over 12,500 people in Ireland are homeless over 3,700 of whom are children. This national shame is a far cry from our 1916 proclamation to "cherish all the children equally". All this is happening while there are vacant properties across the county owned by Cork City and County councils.

Cork City Council currently own 350 houses which are vacant. Cork County Council own a further 184 vacant houses. It is scandalous that so many homes in the worst Housing Crisis in memory are empty. The greatest hoarder of vacant properties in this country is the State itself. These should immediately be brought back into use. The average length of time to turn around, and to relet these vacant Local Authority homes is 8 months. This is far too long. The average length of turn around for a private rental home is 3 weeks.

Paddy will fight tooth and nail to ensure Local Authority Homes houses are turned around in 4 weeks or less. Aontú will build more Local Authority homes. We will reform the planning system. We will ban Air BnB short term lets in urbans areas. Tourists are staying in homes and families are forced to remain in hotels for years.

THIS MAKES NO SENSE.



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DEFENDING RURAL COMMUNITIES

Paddy is fortunate to have family living in the North and South of Mallow and understands the importance of

rural life and the future proofing of family opportunities in farming and business.

Aontú is determined to find a way in which country life continues to flourish so that the next generation of children can fill our rural schools and preserve the culture and traditions of our people.

Paddy and Aontú have stood in solidarity with farmers at the factory gates during the beef prices dispute. We have represented farmers in the High Court. We have introduced the Equitable Beef Price Bill in the Dáil that seeks to put a floor under the price of beef and safeguard farmers income.

Aontú opposed the EU-Mercosur trade deal because it was a bad deal for farmers and the supply chain. It would mean replacing high quality Irish beef with Brazilian beef with a far higher carbon footprint. We will stand up for Irish Farmers, locally, in the Dáil and in Europe.

SUPPORTING ENTERPRISE IN OUR COMMUNITY

Ireland is an overly lopsided country. It's developing into a city state with increased government investment going to Dublin. This is forcing more young people to move to the greater Dublin area.

Paddy believes that Enterprise Ireland, The IDA,

Cork County Council and local businesses, need to focus on the promotion of local enterprise by developing Business Incubation facilities in our towns. These units would help new ventures get started, supporting them with services and advice for a limited period.

Aontú has been a strong advocate for these facilities. We need strong representatives such as Paddy, to help coordinate a local effort to create well paid employment close to where we live.



The people of Mallow and North Cork generally have little faith in promises from the HSE and Minister of Health that South Doc will not be run down or closed in the near future.

Paddy will continue to fight alongside Aontú colleagues in Cork and nationwide to ensure services are retained and that investment is secured to future proof community health services.

Paddy and Aontú led a campaign to highlight the plight of our health workers and patients in the overcrowded CUH. Figures obtained by Aontú show that 17,247 people left Cork University Hospital ED without been seen in the last five years. 17,247 people were so sick they went to CUH ED but had to wait so long that they left without being seen by a doctor!

Last year CUH reached a record number of patients waiting for beds. This is a consequence of HSE chaos and government underinvestment in our healthcare services.

Paddy is a member of the National Hospital Campaign who continue to highlight the need of the local community for better healthcare services both in primary and secondary care and to pursue the critical issue of ever-increasing hospital waiting lists.

SUPPORTING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

The large number of constituents Paddy encountered while canvassing, struggling to cope with obstacles to services relating to persons with visible and hidden disabilities, has led to Peadar Tóibín TD bringing this issue up in the Dáil.

Support for autistic children and staff in our schools is in crisis. Respite facilities to give carers a break are few and far between. Paddy is committed to standing with those who need extra support and their families.



Patrick Murphy is the Aontú EU Election Candidate. He is also CEO of the Irish South and West Fish Producers Organisation. He negotiates at European level to protect the interests of Irish Fishers.

The damage done to the fishing industry is now being repeated in farming. Patrick helped organise the Irish fishing flotilla that moved the Russian warships from our waters. He will fight your corner in Europe.

