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Fine Gael - Fianna Fail - Wedding Gatecrashed



Hannigan sacked Ahead of elections by Ben Gilroy



If found please return to Fine Gael





Ben Gilroy, a top brain surgeon from Navan Co. Meath is a little tied up at the moment, in-and-out of court hearings, helping citizens across the country in their fight against unlawful repossessions and evictions. In his absence we were delighted to put together his election campaign brochure. We are pleased to offer you the father ted version which you are reading right now. Ben's hometown Navan was once a thriving business and commercial town with a host of small family-owned shops, nightlife and entertainment opportunities, he says. "We even had a bank that used to lend money to residents to take care of family needs, build homes and prosper as a healthy happy community". Mr. Gilroy is now claiming that everything was fine until the Troika came to town and confiscated everything that wasn't nailed down before heading back to Brussels. Nobody in their right mind could issue such a statement said a local political source. When we take a look at the achievements of the lads in the Daíl to date: household charges, family home tax, water tax, septic tank tax, broadcasting charge, increased USC tax, forced family evictions, hospital closures, patients on trollys, billions into dead banks, homelessness and suicides - we have strong reservations about who should be locked up and where!

## DDI CANDIDATE - BEN GILROY -PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A BRAIN!



DDI candidate Ben Gilroy, set to win a seat at the upcoming General Elections has once again scared the shit out of the opposition party - Fine Gael. Mr. Gilroy pleaded not guilty in court this morning - to unlawful possession of a brain at the Fine Gael think-in earlier this week. When presented with undeniable video evidence that clearly shows he did indeed gain illegal entry to the muppet show(organised on a yearly basis by Fine Gael ), Mr. Gilroy confirmed that Gonzo Higgins (to his left) was last in - and left the door open because he couldn ´t reach the handle. Mrs. Gilroy who heard about the gate-crashing incident and subsequent disruption to proceedings on the radio - while cooking dinner - said her hubby would be getting extra roast potatoes tonight and some dessert, for his loyal and fearless services to the Irish nation.



Minister for the Environment Alan Kelly recently introduced the Pay-by-weight household charges along with new legislation for the mandatory seperation of "totally useless shite". Direct Democracy candidate Ben Gilroy, for Meath East, explained that only three bins would be necessary for the whole country, and would be located behind the Daíl.

## FINE GAEL & LABOUR SURGE OVER THE WEEKEND - Unfortunately not high enough!



A referendum will not be necessary to send these guys to the moon. The rocket launcher will cost nothing and can be financed with your votes. These two government parties should be heading for the moon shortly afer the General Elections. All that is needed now is your all important vote. Put you "X" beside Meath East candidate Ben Gilroy or any other "Direct Democracy Ireland - A National Citizens Movement" candidate, on election day. Countdown "T - Minus Election Day" has begun.



What more proof do you need. Ben Gilroy has the biggest..... election placard!



An Garda Síochana, the official election mobile of Fine Gael - on loan from Irish Water



"ENDA KENNY VISITS KINDERGARTEN" - extra jelly for the kid who got him below the belt!

#### Only by coming together can Fine Gael and Fianna Fail save Ireland from stability





The Labour lovers at Labour Media FM, commonly known as LM FM, have always promoted and loved Labour. When Ben Gilroy bet the Labour Party in the Meath East by-election 2013, this did not go down well with Labour Media FM at all. Labour Media FM employees had to wear wellies in their studio because the place was feckin flooded with tears after Ben Gilroy bet the crap out of them in that election. Labour Media FM continued to promote Ged "the rash" Nash and Dominic "the banana" Hannigan both of Labour. Both these men were a constant daily feature on the Michael Reade show for the past 3 years. However during the time since that by-election DJ Michael Reade (the Mrs. Doyle lookalike) has only invited Ben Gilroy on his show once. And for that one time only, he tried to ridicule Ben Gilroy but Ben was too sharp for him. So the Direct Democracy candidate has never been invited back on Labour Media FM Radio.

Politics is a boring subject at the best of times. Not so, if you can find new ways of making it less snoozeworthy. The majority of political manifestos are constructed with a formula that appeals mainly to the intellectually minded and well educated members of society. The working class (the majority) do not feel adressed at this level. This presentation has been stripped down and specially tailor-fitted for your entertainment. Hopefully it will arouse your faith in the motivational, and in some cases, destructive values of satirical memetisation and make you want to participate in the downfall of the current Fine Gael / Labour, corrupt political system - ideally by voting for Ben Gilroy for the Constituency of Meath East or any

### other DDI, National Citizens Movement candidate in your area.

Images speak volumes as the saying goes and can be a most effective way of slapping a few faces in the political arena. They can certainly be just as insulting as the politics they have thrown at us over the past few years. People use a lot more colorful language in public and on social media to express their opinions about our government. Ben Gilroy as we know is not a man accustomed to using billingsgate verse nor swear like a trooper, although his thoughts may be riddled with profanities like any other Irish man watching leaders questions at a Daíl session. It is commonly known that Ben is quite silver-tongued and has qualities that could talk the bark of a tree, without openening his mouth. Ben Gilroy has left many a court room judge teary-eyed and forced to hand back the house keys to families who had been facing eviction - through his proficiency and understanding of court law, alongside his linguistic skills, which are feared by most of his articulate rivals. We feel confident that his selection of images will speak loudly to you and convey the true dimension and extent of the people 's scorn.



Something went wrong with the camera lens when we took this - apologies to the contestants. But no apologies for this: TD's, Dominick Hannigan, Helen McEntee and Regina Doherty voted these bills into law (1). The Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Act 2013: making it easier for the corrupt Criminal banking Cartels to take people's homes without the right to a fair trial in court. (2). Civil Debt (Procedures) Bill 2015 : which makes it easier for Irish Water to take your money from your bank account, wages, social welfare payments.etc. With friends like these we don't need enemies. Do you really want these back in?



Finally an election promise we can rely on, from Enda Kenny.



Everyone is out canvassing - so are the people!



Your government



Jesus vomits for the first time



Austerity - a game played by your government



Say when!.... "There´s an election coming"..When?



What will our Minister for Social Protection be opening next year if allowed to continue in office!



If smoking doesn't kill you Austerity certainly will!





Even our American friends know what is good for the county



THERE IS ONLY

**ONE REASON** 

FOR BEN GILROY THE POLLING STATIONS ARE CLOSED

TO VO



### "We have been squeezed enough" Direct Democracy Ireland - A National Citizens Movement



ple have been denied a means of proper governance for 91 years in contradiction to the framers of the first constitution. Instead we were given a dysfunctional party political system, and not the freedom Irish people fought for, for hundreds of years. Is this the Republic we are proud to commemorate in 2016. Every movement and every political party who claim they want what is best for the Irish people surely must agree that the principles of Direct Democracy are among the first steps needed, to bring about radical change of the nation. There is no more effective means of doing what is best for a people than to put them in charge of their own destiny.

Choose your candidate wisely. Be aware that over 40% of the Irish electorate do not bother voting. Talk to each other. Explain the different policies of the movement of you choice. In addition let each concerned citizen locate a non voter - be it a family member, neighbour or colleague at work, and endeavour to convince them of the atrocities they can help to avoid simply by voting. Make it clear to them we will have no representation at the negotiation table if FF, Labour or FG get back into power. Collectively we must apply the brakes. This could well and truely be the key strategy that could reverse political ongoings in a single stroke.



**The political issues** and concerns directly intervening in family and working class Irish life today as we head into the General Elections are still the continuos ill effects of austerity, corruption, bank bailout, evictions, homelessness, suicides, water charges, police brutality etc. The true dept of scorn felt by the Irish people has found political representation in the agenda(s) of popular emerging movements and can be diverted into votes on election day. One such movement "Direct Democracy Ireland - A National Citizens Movement" poses the greatest threat of all to the current government. In this General Election DDI will be offering a more fair and accountable way of political representation by re-introducing direct democracy provisions into the constitution as a first priority. The goal is first to give back the power of referendum to the people of Ireland which was taken away under protest, by the first Fine Gael government that got into power in 1922 and denied the people their right to have a referendum as to whether or not this right should be removed from their constitution. A return to the provisions of direct democracy will give back the power of Veto and allows the people to make decisions for themselves. The Irish peo1922 was a good year. We had Article 48 which gave us Direct Democracy. We intend to return it to the table.....Vote No.1 Ben Gilroy, Direct Democracy Irland - A National Citizens Movement for the Constituency of Meath East

#### **GOOD NEWS FOR NON VOTERS**

You say it's not worth the effort. The government will do what they want anyway - Vote any Direct Democracy / National Citizens Movement Candidate AND SEE HOW QUICKLY THAT WILL CHANGE

## General Elections 2016 - Your Last Chance To Reverse The Wheels of Destruction REBIRTH OF A NATION

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**Politicians do occasionally** listen to their peolpe but ideally they do not perform in a 24h request show. They take their seats at a table where the cards are marked in order to steer decision-making in whatever direction it takes to keep the country functioning as an economic entity - and not as a nation of people.

The idea or notion that if we vote in some new politicians or party, everything will change - has never been put into practise in Ireland. It has however been greatly overhauled and recasted for the upcoming general elections. The other notion, or should I say option, that if we all deregister to create a power vacuum and dissolve the current government - will have to wait at least another five years. So there 's your alternative shining away in the dark, but it 's just as far away as the water on Mars. We might as well tag along with the idea that we will once again be faced with the unmovable ingrained FF and FG supporters. Labour, as polls suggest have totally fallen out of the equation.

One way or another we will once again be divided at the upcoming general election. Some will choose their political candidate according to the charade that gets played out on television, radio & local newspaper. Some will vote as usual for the party that is most likely to best represent their financial interests -FF and FG still remain the most likely candidates to do this and are likely to be re-elected at the upcoming general election. Renua, an extremely intelligent political chess move by Lucinda Creighton is the only party that represents "Change" in the minds of this sector and are likely to scoff up a large proportion of the voting, simply because the current coalition have become unpopular.

This does little to drive optimism for change among the electorate, which can only be achieved through a combination of factors including a considerable rise in electorate participation. People need to become aware that they could and should intervene in society and start demanding more democratic participation. The only strategy worthy of commitment it seems, is change through the application of Direct Democracy Ireland - A National Citizens Movement whose political policies put the people first.

If we consider the great dept and seriousness of Ireland's situation within the EU one must take into consideration that political decisions of any future Irish Government can be overruled by the EU commission - as we head into the General Elections of 2016. This inevitably leads any intelligent person to assume even a change of government - will change nothing in the long run. The final solution here - to keep it short - is to get out of the EU. This can only take place if a referendum is held. People initiated referendum is the key to political freedom and full restoration of Irish soverignty. A further five years of the current political system will lead us to an irreversible deepening of EU, IMF, Troika and Private Sector control over our country.

There should be no doubt in anyone's mind at this stage about the urgent need to overwhelm and convince the Irish people - that this is their very last chance to reverse the wheels of destruction and participate in decision making at a national level by activating participatory democracy with their vote. Having taken a closer look, we welcome the values of the 1Y1 concept but also recognise increasing division as the left, who are currently fighting for real change, are now facing into a whirlwind of fragmented positions demanding social justice and equality in an already overcrowded political landscape.

**DIRECT DEMOCRACY IRELAND** A National Citizens Movement

# On a serious note:

Ok ok, we all know the country is a joke, it is run by jokers so I hope you have enjoyed my poking fun at some of the jokers. But the time for a laughing has to stop. The country has been a joke for the last 10 years and it has to stop. We need to take our country back from the corrupt and criminal banking cartels that have destroyed this country, destroyed our welfare, destroyed our health service, destroyed our standard of living, brought cuts to all child services, unemployment at an all-time high, families destroyed by emigration, another 100,000 families facing eviction, suicide figures gone through the roof, children going to school hungry and the homeless crisis spiralling out of control, to name but a few of the problems, now a reality in this country. It is ironic that in the year 2016, the centenary of the Easter rising, that our country is in such a mess. Our leaders of 1916 must be turning in their grave at the way we have allowed corrupt and criminal banking cartels run this country into the ground, for greed and profit.

Successive governments have said austerity is necessary, however I say austerity is making the poor, pay for the mistakes of the very rich and it cannot go on any longer. When I ran in the Meath by-election in 2013, I ran with certain policies that I believed had to be implemented for the country to improve. These policies have not been implemented and therefore the country is in a far worse position than it was in 2013. In 2013 we didn't have as big a trolley crisis as we have now, our whole health service is destroyed, our social welfare system is destroyed, our housing crisis is out of control, we are the shame of Europe with the number of homeless people on our streets, we should be ashamed that there are large numbers of children going to school hungry because their parents have no money and in 2013 there were 40,000 family homes in mortgage distress. Today there are over 100,000 family home mortgages in distress and that's all since 2013.

So I am running again in this general election. I am running with the same policies which I say once again need to be implemented, if we are to put this country back on track. I want to put this country back on track within 3 years, I don't want to do it in 10 or 15 years. I am 53 years of age and I want this country to be a great country again for my children and your children and it can be done within 3 years.

The policies I proposed in 2013 are as essential today as they were in 2013 and if they are not implemented it is mathematically impossible for the country to improve to any great extent and they are as follows:

• STOP Bondholder Payments: There is no legal liability for Irish people and

their children to pay for private banking debts.

• REDUCE Family Home Mortgages: A substantial write down of personal

debt to keep people in their homes and stimulate our domestic economy.

• ABOLISH Property Tax: Irish people have already paid exorbitant amounts of stamp duty and VAT, and should not pay to live in their homes.

• PROTECT Services & Allowances: Review all cuts made to essential

services and people's vital allowances.

• CUT Business Rates: Reduce cost of business to make them more affordable, competitive and protect jobs.

• PREVENT State Asset Stripping: Keep water, oil, gas, forestry, fisheries

and mineral assets working for the people. (excerpt from my election leaflet in 2013)

1. In relation to BONDHOLDER PAYMENTS, this is an odious debt, under international law. The country cannot afford this debt, it is not our debt, it is the debt of mega-wealthy gamblers who didn't share their profits but want us to pay for the losses. If we continue to try and pay these debts - we are bankrupt. All the new taxes like water charges, universal social charges, property taxes, etc have not even put a dent in the interest payments of this odious debt, never mind pay off some of the principal. I propose that we suspend all interest and capital payments on this odious debt, pending a full legal review

2. In relation to a REDUCTION ON FAMILY HOME MORTGAGES, if this is not done we will be facing one of the biggest crisis since the foundation of the State. We cannot, as a civilised society, evict over 100,000 families onto the street in favour of the wealthiest gamblers that Wall Street has ever seen. We have paid €120 billion back to banks and gamblers on Wall Street and we have got nothing in return. We will never get this money back and therefore I am looking for a substantial write down on family home mortgages, at least that way we will have got something for our money. This write-down will benefit everybody in society as it will unburden our social welfare. It will unburden our social housing problem and this will have the effect of having money in circulation and will greatly increase the standard of living for most of our society. It will have a positive effect on business as there will be money in circulation and then people won't mind paying all the new taxes as they will see some benefit for same

3. In relation to PROPERTY TAX that needs to be abolished: As I have already said we have paid way too much for homes and properties in the first place, in overinflated prices, VAT and stamp duty and payments to county councils.

4. In relation to PROTECTING SERVICES AND AL-LOWANCES, I forsaw the trouble this would cause in our hospitals with huge waiting lists and people dying on trolleys. We owe the elderly, the young, and everybody else a proper and efficient health service. We have a health service that a 3rd world country would be ashamed of.

5. In relation to reducing BUSINESS RATES, I predicted that if we didn't do this, there would be huge amounts of businesses in trouble in our cities, towns and villages around the country. There are huge amounts of shops and business premises closed or in receivership today, because the business people couldn't afford the extortionate business rates and also pay their bank. This led to businesses closing and the knock-on effect of huge unemployment which in turn leads to an increase in suicide and immigration figures.

6. Finally in relation to STATE ASSET STRIPPING, people may be surprised to know that we are one of the richest countries in Europe in natural resources. However due to the total mismanagement of these assets by successive governments and the secret selling off, of these assets by "cute hoorism", brown envelopes and dodgy off-shore payments, the country is in a bankrupt state.

These were some of my policies in 2013 and because they weren't implemented things are worse and if they don't get implemented things can only get worse. I don't care if you support Fine Gael, Fianna Fail or Labour - if these policies are not put in place, we will be in a bad place, a very bad place the next time you're asked to cast a vote. One of the problems for the last few years in this country is, that a party can be in government, but not in power, because real power belongs to those who control the economy and that cannot be allowed to continue, otherwise we will continue to have a hypocrisy not a democracy.

We at Direct Democracy Ireland have produced a 35 point manifesto for a road to recovery. A recovery that will not take more than 3 years, I wish to point to one issue that will ease the burden on a lot of families in addition to the above points. We are proposing to abolish car tax completely. We will introduce a one cent increase pay per litre of petrol or diesel. For full details of this and all our other policies please visit our website at www.directdemocracyIreland.ie where you can download our manifesto for free.

Thank you and can I ask you to consider giving me your number one vote and to tell your friends and family who may live in other areas to look out for Direct Democracy candidates in their areas. Please keep your number one vote for real change that affects you and I the ordinary people of this country. BEN GILROY candidate for Meath East.



# Ben Gilroy the man & legend I will vote for in East Meath constituency

In the small village of Johnstown in county Meath lives a legend, a man of the people who after shooting to prominence on YouTube in February 2012, has been on the frontline opposing the wholesale eviction of families by banks and receivers ever since.

For Ben Gilroy, after so many years contributing to the economy as a self-employed businessman and then finding he was not entitled to any assistance, the subsequent worry for his family's future brought into focus the view our country is very sick and something radical is needed to fix it.

The Irish government has introduced new stealth taxes on water and homes - along with threatened evictions these are the straws that finally broke the camel's back. Many people have no more to give and choose between paying bills or feeding their children, yet government and media propaganda continue to spin a huge lie of a non-existent recovery, at least not for the little people. It has never been clearer that the established political system in Ireland is broken and will always be broken unless we radically change it now.

When Ben ran in the Meath by election in 2013 he captured the imagination of the country, finishing 3rd to the sympathy vote of Helen McEntee. Ben was warning of the impending destruction coming down the line then and it has gotten much worse since, back then there were 40,000 family homes in mort-gage distress, now a mere 4 years later that number has risen to a massive 120,000 family homes.

Ben works hard for the people and has successfully opposed the takeover of many family dwellings, small businesses and farms the length and breath of Ireland. Many families and businesses remain in their property today because of Ben Gilroy who continues fighting for the rights of the people against vested financial interests.

Ben has been outspoken on the hospital trolley crisis where sick and old people literally die in hospital hallways. Our health service is imploding through bad management, and even worse decisions, while our Fine Gael health minister sits back and does nothing.

So why will I vote for Ben Gilroy?

Ben Gilroy is a hard worker, charismatic, funny and clever, a true man of the people and he has displayed

these qualities many many times in the 4 years I've known him. I describe Ben as an honorable man and that's what wins my trust and vote.

Ireland has for too long been ruled by three main parties, keeping the control of our country in the hands of a close knit political class. The lure of the gravy train: high salaries, expenses, pensions and 'jobs for the boys" is far too difficult for them to resist.

STOP voting the same way over and over again, and expecting a different result. If you live in east Meath,

Vote for change, vote for someone who will make a difference,

VOTE BEN GILROY NUMBER ONE

By: Ray Hall, Wednesday, January 20, 2016

# WHAT IS DIRECT DEMOCRACY?

The principles of 'Direct Democracy' are quite simple and make a reality of what our current system of "Representative Democracy" only pays lip service to . That is, that every Irish person is treated equal when it comes to having a voice and a say in the future of their country and local community (and as a result their own future) on an ongoing basis and not just once in five years .

They (the people) exercise this through the power to initiate Referendum if they can show that enough of their fellow citizens concur with their proposal. The power to change their local community or their nation as a whole is the most profound effect of Direct Democracy and a most empowering and transformative tool that any person can have. It enlivens every aspect of a society, opens the door to a source of positive energy as yet untapped in Irish Society where over 60% of Irish people do not vote due to a lack of education as to their importance and power in a people centered society and a sense of apathy in a society that generally favors Corporations and their profits over the people who contribute hugely to the generation of that wealth and those profits.

There is one more aspect to Direct Democracy and that is, the ability of the people to recall their politicians if they are not seen to be acting in the interests of the people who elected them.

Can you just imagine ? Politicians being held accountable to and by the people that they are 'supposed' to represent ?

We have listened for generations to politicians talking about transparency, openness and Accountability to no effect and have watched helplessly as they have sold off our assets (Fisheries, Oil and Gas, and now moving to sell off our water rights and our forests and now our Neutrality and making us a target for terrorists, etc) and in shock as elected representatives like, Allen Kelly, Michael Noonan, Reilly and Hogan, et al, told the people of Ireland, "YOU WILL DO WHAT YOU ARE TOLD ...OR ELSE " !

It is time for real overhaul of our political system and to reinstate the power of Direct Democracy that was given to the people of Ireland in our first Constitution and was removed by our first Elected Representatives. One has to ask why they did that against the wishes of the Irish people who protested it's removal but were ignored and have continued to be ignored ever since, right to this present day.

As the Founder and President of Direct Democracy Ireland which has become a National Citizens Movement I would urge you in this year of the anniversary of the birth of our nation, to honour the memory of the men and women who died for your freedom, to vote for all of the candidates who support the reinstatement of the spirit of their vision of a truly equal society through articles 47 and 48 of the first Constitution.

I cannot recommend highly enough, Ben Gilroy for his tireless dedication to this cause over the years and hope that you will give him your number one vote.

Ben's fearless confrontations of corrupt Banks and receivers of family homes in the courts and on the ground is legendary and anyone who has seen "Constitution halts sheriff " or a number of his other videos on YouTube will be aware of his steadfast, logical and peaceful approach to effecting justice for the "little man" (only under our present system, which, I believe, is about to change).

I urge you to Please give him your number one vote Go eirigh an bothar leat

RAY WHITEHEAD FOUNDER OF DIRECT DEMOCRACY IRELAND



# Jaysus - We almost forgot Sinn Féin



"HERE CHARLIE, PULL THIS". Most of the newspapers were taking no chances with their headlines a day after the historic meeting between Prince Charles and Gerry Adams earlier on this year. The media were issued with one single lousy image of a smiling Prince Charles greeting a smiling Gerry Adams and were advised to play it straight, which they all appeared to do. We spotted Gerry offering Charlie a little token of his genuine friendship and concern for his well-being. Gerry is seen here explaining to the whiskey-faced prince "You can let it go when you get to the Mullaghmore coastline".

## We see brighter days ahead



### A Quick Look at Renua before we go



The Party for young entrepreneurs

## Your Cinema Guide - What 's On Fun, Laughter and Tears for all the Family - At a cinema near you



FILM	CINEMA	DATE	TIME
The Three Stooges	Leinster House	Feb. 27th	3pm
The Gobshite	Cuckoos Nest	Feb. 28th	2pm
Mr Bean's Holiday	Brian Hayes Clinic	Feb. 29th	6pm
Scrooge	Leinster House	Feb. 29th	3pm
Liar Liar	Mountjoy	Feb. 30th	3pm



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Ben Gilroy used sections of the Irish Constitution which were violated when The Sheriff, assisted by Gardai, used 'forced entry' to evict a family in Co. Laois . He challenges its constitutional validity every day in court. He continues to question such significant use of precious Gardai resources to assist the banks pursue a commercial (not criminal) dispute. Want to get to know Ben Gilroy better? Watch how Ben uses The Constitution to halt the sherrif. Every citizen in Meath East will know at the latest, after watching this live recording who to vote for. Click the link https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I9Da-r-VPQw or google "Constitution halts Sherrif"

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