

Dear Members,

As the 2018 / 2019 season draws to another exciting conclusion it brings time for me to reflect on the past 12<sup>th</sup> months, and what the future holds.

The Committee have been instrumental in putting the appropriate structures in place to support our continued commitment and vision of education to our members at all levels.

On a personal level it remains extremely satisfying that our association continues to attract Elite Guests such as David Ellery and Milord Mazic, all of whom have shown our members a first hand insight into the challenges of the modern day game. The Association remains well placed to continue this trend in the coming years whilst continuing to apply education under the guidance and support of The Irish Football Association.

One trend that continues to causes me significant concern is the large number of officials who fail to attend the monthly education provided at CYMS. I would ask for those that continually remain absent from meetings two questions.

1. What education are you receiving?
2. What Edition of the Laws of the Game are you taking your knowledge from?

I feel it's important to be clear that I do not wish to be considered for re election as Chairman of NEURA. I have enjoyed my time in what can only be considered a very privileged position however the time has come for change.

I am confident that the Association is going in the right direction and I am pleased that the relationship with CAFA remains as strong as ever, however after two years a new voice is required to aide the continuous improvement of NEURA. Special thanks to the unsung hero's in John McKnight, Neil Gillespie, Lawrence Black for their commitment and work behind the seasons throughout the past two years.

Yours in sport

Keith