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Grandmother died trying to defend herself

IN BRIEF...

Tipp's Good Food finalists 2026

TIPPERARY has a number of finalists in the prestigious Good Food Ireland 20th Anniversary Awards 2026.

Celebrating 20 years of recognising excellence in Irish food, drink, hospitality and culinary tourism, the Awards shine a spotlight on the outstanding businesses, producers and people who champion local Irish produce and help make Ireland a world-class food and tourism destination.

Co Tipperary is proudly represented among this year's finalists in the following categories:

The Cashel Palace - 5 Star Irish Hospitality Experience of the Year

Sadler's Restaurant & Bar - Café Restaurant Experience of the Year

Mikey Ryan's Bar & Kitchen - Pub Experience of the Year

Country Choice Nenagh - Irish Food Retail Experience of the Year

The Apple Farm - Sustainable Culinary Tourism Award, Fruit & Vegetable Producer

Galtee Honey Farm - Sustainable Irish Food & Drink Producer of the Year, Sweet & Savoury Producer

Cashel Palace – Land to Table: Journey Worth Tasting - Irish Culinary Tourism Innovation Award.

These nominations are a fantastic endorsement of the quality, passion and dedication of the people behind Co. Tipperary's food, drink and hospitality sector, recognising their contribution not only to the local economy but also to Ireland's growing reputation as a leading food tourism destination.

The winners will be announced at the Good Food Ireland 20th Anniversary Celebration & Gala Awards Ceremony, taking place at the InterContinental Dublin on Monday, November 16, in association with FBD Insurance.

New role for MEP Billy

BILLY Kelleher, MEP, has been elected Deputy President of European Parliament's liberals' and centrists' group.He was elected unopposed as Deputy President and Chief Whip of Renew Europe. The Ireland South MEP said: "It is a great honour for me and for Fianna Fáil that I have been re-elected unopposed as Deputy President and Chief Whip of the Renew Europe Group in the European Parliament," said Fianna Fáil MEP, Billy Kelleher.

Mr Kelleher was reconfirmed in his role following the close of nominations this week in Strasbourg.

"Being in the political centre has its challenges. It is always easier to campaign from either end of the political spectrum, but the hard work of governing and of delivering for the people of Europe and Ireland can only happen in the political centre.

"The Renew Europe Group is Fianna Fáil's political home. Our Taoiseach, our Commissioner, our MEPs and our Committee of the Regions' President all sit within the Renew Europe political family.

"My objective over the next three years is to deliver on the simplification and competitiveness package to support SMEs and industry; to fight for a fair and fully funded CAP; to deliver fairness and increased quotas for our fishermen, and to defend the values that the Union was founded upon: democracy, freedom, the Rule of Law and equality. "

Active retirement

NOVEMBER meetings of Thurles Active Retirement Group will be held in the Order of Malta rooms at Borroway on Wednesdays - November 4 and 18 - at 10.45am. All are welcome.