MAYORAL FRONT RUNNER O’CONNOR MAY PULL OUT

CLLR. John O’Connor, the favourite to take the mayoralty next July revealed today that he may pull out of the contest.

“I have not made up my mind yet, I will do so after what he said.

With just over three months to the election of a new Mayor, tensions are already rising within Fianna Fail, who through a pact with Fine Gael, are guaranteed the position.

“It is time for a change here so I am not sure if I will be able to go forward”, said Cllr. O’Connor.

Cllr. O’Connor two years ago proposed Cllr. Jack Bourke for the position when the Fianna Fail councillors met to choose their candidate.

Now most believe that Cllr. Bourke will reciprocate and support the national executive member for the position.

Cllr. Paddy Madden, it is known, is also very anxious for the position and would hope for the support of the current remaining Fianna Fail Man on the council, Larry Cross.

If this happens then the next Mayor could be drawn out of a hat.

“Hopefully we will be able to resolve the matter in a more suitable fashion, but stranger things have happened”, explained a high ranking member of the Party.

And if Cllr. Cross and Cllr. Bourke also decide to go forward four names may end up in the hat.

And cakes as well?

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