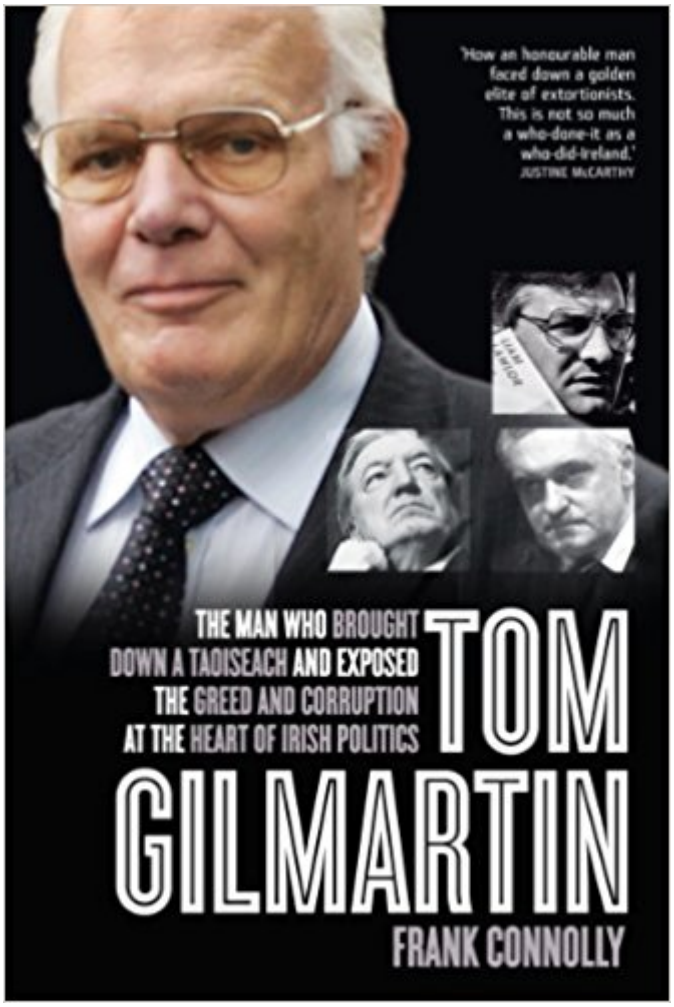
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Synopsis

A successful property developer in England, the Sligo-born Tom Gilmartin had ambitious plans for major retail developments in Dublin in the late 1980s. Little did he know that in order to do business in the city, senior politicians and public officials would want a slice of the action Ã¢â ¬Â¦ in the form of large amounts of cash. Gilmartin blew the whistle on corruption at the heart of government and the cityÃ¢â ¬â„¢s planning system, and the fallout from his claims ultimately led to the resignation of the Taoiseach Bertie Ahern in 2008. Written by Ireland's leading investigative journalists, 'Tom Gilmartin' is a compelling narrative of official wrong-doing and abuse of office; it lifts the lid on the corruption and financial mismanagement that blighted Irish society in latter decades of the twentieth century. The product of two decadesÃ¢â ¬â„¢ research, itÃ¢â ¬â„¢s a must-read for anyone seeking to uncover the roots of IrelandÃ¢â ¬â„¢s financial catastrophe.

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account of pervasive corruption. The book is a detailed report of the matter. It also has the merit of revealing some of the strategies used by the powerful to prevent justice running its course - obstruction, diversionary tactics, ad hominem attacks - when inconvenient truths kept emerging. A few of those involved served prison time, but the sad fact is that most escaped any legal or financial penalty.

I absolutely loved this book,It is by no means an easy read as it’s hard not to be disgusted at the corruption in the highest levels of our little country and the contempt shown to so many by so few.Tom Gilmartin deserves the gratitude of the Irish people.Hopefully people will not forget and remember him to have been a truly unique and remarkable Irish Man.Thank you the Gilmartin family & Frank Connolly great book.

Excellent book. Well written, fair and easy to read and follow. Excellent work by Frank Connolly.Tom Gilmartin was a Prince among men. Rest in peace good man.A must read book if you’re interested in Irish politics it’s a good book to read.

Well worth reading, this book gives a clear (and depressing) view of the corruption at the heart of Irish politics. At times it is simplistic and possibly one-sided, but the overall picture is clear and stark.

Why is there no apology for this colossus of a man? He is a real true statesman, RIP Thomas Gilmartin.

very informative and factual. Too much name dropping without explaining who the individuals were. Made the book a bit frustrating. Overall a good read.

I enjoyed reading this book because it showed what many politicians were up to during the so-called Celtic Tiger, and how it affected the decent man Tom Gilmartin.

It was an excellentread - some passages were tedious as they had a lot of detail. But is was fascinating and gave a great insight to the rampant corruption

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