

In short – what I stand for

- Full employment with more private sector jobs replacing those in the public sector.
- Opportunities for young people.
- A fair tax system that sustains all.
- Agricultural
 - Work with farmers to bring back some reality and certainty to the system that will enable young people to continue farming and preserve our landscape.
- Government
 - Stop regulation and legislation creep from the UK or EU.
 - More independence.
 - Support changes made in rationalisation of departments.
 - More transparency.
 - Limit or downsize the public sector.
 - Control the impact of Health & Safety regulation.
- Immigration
 - Continue protection for the island workforce without inhibiting economic growth, using present work permit legislation.
- Education
 - No to adopting UK education policy per se.
 - Work with teachers to provide a system that addresses our present and future requirements and aspirations, not those of a distant UK government.
- Constitutional reform
 - Support changes and make the Legislative Council more accountable.
 - Continue support for rationalisation of Departments and elected Members' involvement.
 - Make it possible for Members to vote freely.
 - Referendums if constitutional change proposed..
- Environment
 - A planning policy that reflects our population's requirements and aspirations.
 - Support green initiatives where they bring real benefits and not perceptions to the Isle of Man.
- Housing provision
 - A fairer planning system with more democracy, particularly at local levels.
 - Address local needs with particular emphasis on affordable housing and provision for older people.
- Health provision
 - Support on-island health care and expertise wherever possible.
 - Reduce waiting lists and ensure availability of NHS dentistry.
 - Resist so-called efficiency savings that do not stack up.
 - Ensure proper consultation before changes are made.
- Future government expenditure
 - Pay close attention to and better scrutinise large capital projects. We simply cannot afford to go on making the mistakes of the past.
- Transport and/or roads
 - Get our local roads repaired.
 - Review and promote road safety and appropriate traffic calming and speed limits where necessary.
 - Work with public transport to ensure timetables and destinations accord with people's needs.
 - Be tougher on profiteering on fuel prices.
- Tourism
 - Support better promotion of the Isle of Man as a tourist destination — we have a good story to tell.
 - Transport to the island: I am against a monopoly in either sea or air transport but we need to carefully examine and have control over future user agreements.
- Government reform
 - Consult over the rationalisation of the constituency boundaries and oppose amalgamation with Peel.
 - At local government level once again consult, but think very carefully about any proposed changes or amalgamation that will simply lead to a larger bureaucracy and more expense for Ratepayers.