



## AFFORDABLE HOUSING

**“ We need to develop further the role of housing associations.**

I want to see affordable housing on brown field sites.

The newly created Manx Development Corporation has been tasked with developing Government brown-field sites, if elected I want to see houses built fit for the future of our Manx residents.

The very basic fabric of Douglas needs special attention. We need to really focus on regenerating and repurposing Douglas Centre, our town and the Islands capital as presently it doesn't deliver on either. The fiasco of the promenade needs never to be repeated, it must be a learning point we do not do things this way again.

**“ If elected I will seek to lay the foundations for a new Douglas, a Douglas we can be proud of, a thriving centre.**

I have worked hard looking at alternative ways to deliver services. I am looking for a new approach, a collaborative approach to grow. As Government does not always know best

**“ If elected I will seek to develop a more customer and collaborative approach to improve delivery of core public services.**

**“ We are now all more aware of the importance of our mental well-being.**

**I have been Chair of Quing for four years, supporting its collaboration and community-based personal development model.**



Three years ago Councillor Peter Washington and I established Willaston Community Association. With residents support the group has begun working together. This group is an important forum in working more closely with Douglas Borough Council.

**“ If elected I will make myself available to listen to your concerns and to represent your views at a local and national level.**



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## ELECTION MANIFESTO

# Douglas North

HOUSE OF KEYS GENERAL ELECTION

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## Dear Constituent,

I present my manifesto, promises to you, I have learned over the last five years, that delivery of promises takes determination and resilience, both characteristics that I draw from my Manx heritage.

**If I am elected I will dedicate myself full time to the implementation of my manifesto and serving the population of Douglas North.**

I want to encourage my Tynwald colleagues to adopt a growth mindset, to see Government as an enabler to growth, supporting our efforts rather than acting in isolation. To see you, the voter, as a customer of government services with a fair and even-handed approach.

**We need to grow a more customer centric approach. Government doesn't always know best.**

During the last administration I brought forward more motions to the floor of The Keys and Tynwald than any back bench MHK; looking to improve our services but acknowledging that the system moves painfully slowly.

My work in Treasury during the last five years took me into the heart of Government if not into the headlines, laying the foundations, I hope, for a new future.



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ABOUT RALPH PEAKE

I am passionate about Isle of Man businesses. Small businesses are the backbone of the Isle of Man economy but are ignored. Over 80% of Isle of Man businesses employ less than five people. In the last five years I have successfully supported numerous businesses in engaging with Government.

**If I am elected I will work to engineer Government's relationship with small businesses, forcing an enabling mindset, a one service approach rather than through various silos.**

Our future needs to be a sustainable one; a future with the environment front and centre. It requires a planning system that backs up these ambitions and a system that puts green energy at its heart, ensuring everyone's interest is on the front page, rather than the interest of the minority.

**If I am elected I will push for an immediate change in the regulations for new housing to deliver a better insulated new home using cleaner energy, I accept that we need to move faster on this issue.**



**I want to see our Island driven by clean power. I believe given our unique island we can grow a renewable energy sector delivering solutions for export and economic value.**

Net zero emissions by 2050 is an unparalleled opportunity for the Isle of Man. The Island can entirely power itself with renewable energy, whilst gaining considerable income from the export of clean electricity to the UK and Ireland. We are blessed with rich natural resources of wind, sea and mountains, offering significant value in the future low-carbon world. There are multiple sustainable options for the Island and by working with industry, local experts and renewable energy specialists, I will ensure that the net zero pathway is optimized for maximum benefit to the people of the Isle of Man. The benefits include cheap electricity, hundreds of new jobs in clean technologies and a pride in knowing that we are doing the right thing to alleviate climate change. The next several years promise to be exciting and rewarding.

**We need to review our housing strategies; we need more affordable housing.**

I have enjoyed meeting a great number of you at the door in recent weeks with more to come in the run up to polling day, the issue of housing has been almost universal, a lack of housing and lack of affordable housing. I assure you that this issue will be a priority for me should I be successful at the next election.



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