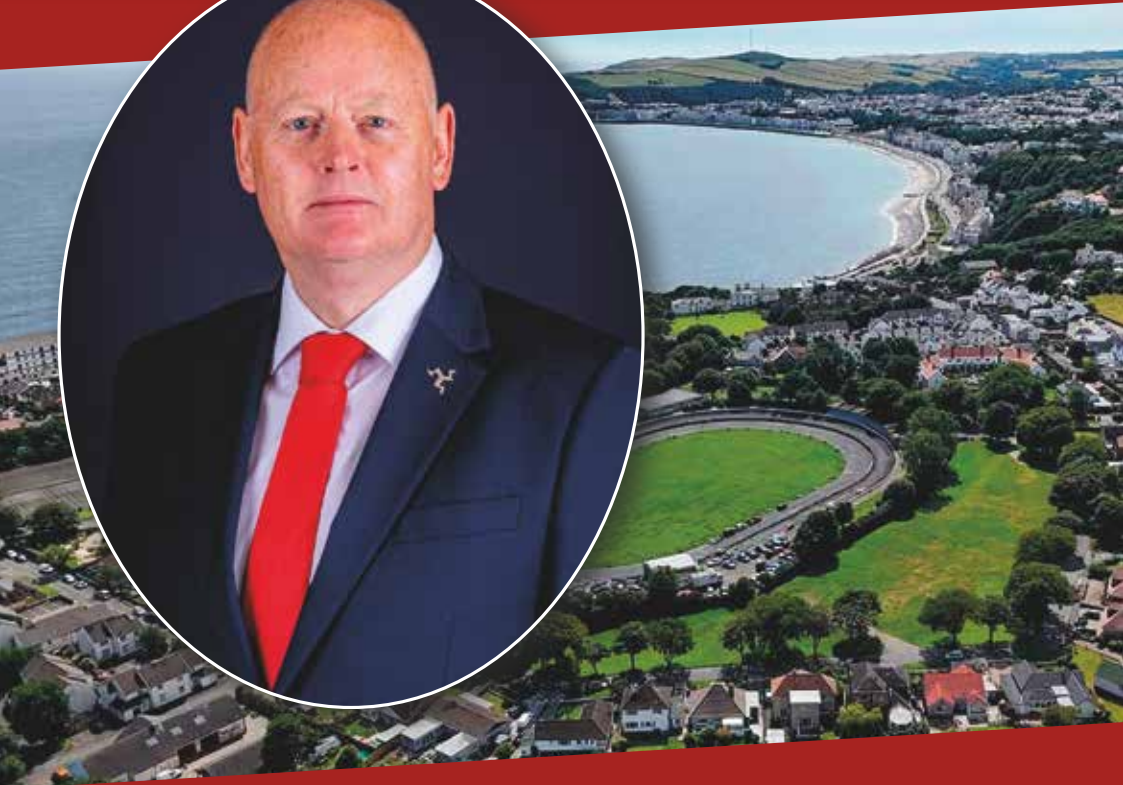


House of Keys General Election for the Constituency of Onchan

Thursday 24th September 2026



ROB CALLISTER

"Building a Stronger Island, Together"

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Dear Constituent,

I am proud to present my manifesto for the House of Keys General Election on 24th September 2026, setting out the priorities, values, and commitments that will guide my work on behalf of the people of Onchan over the next five years.

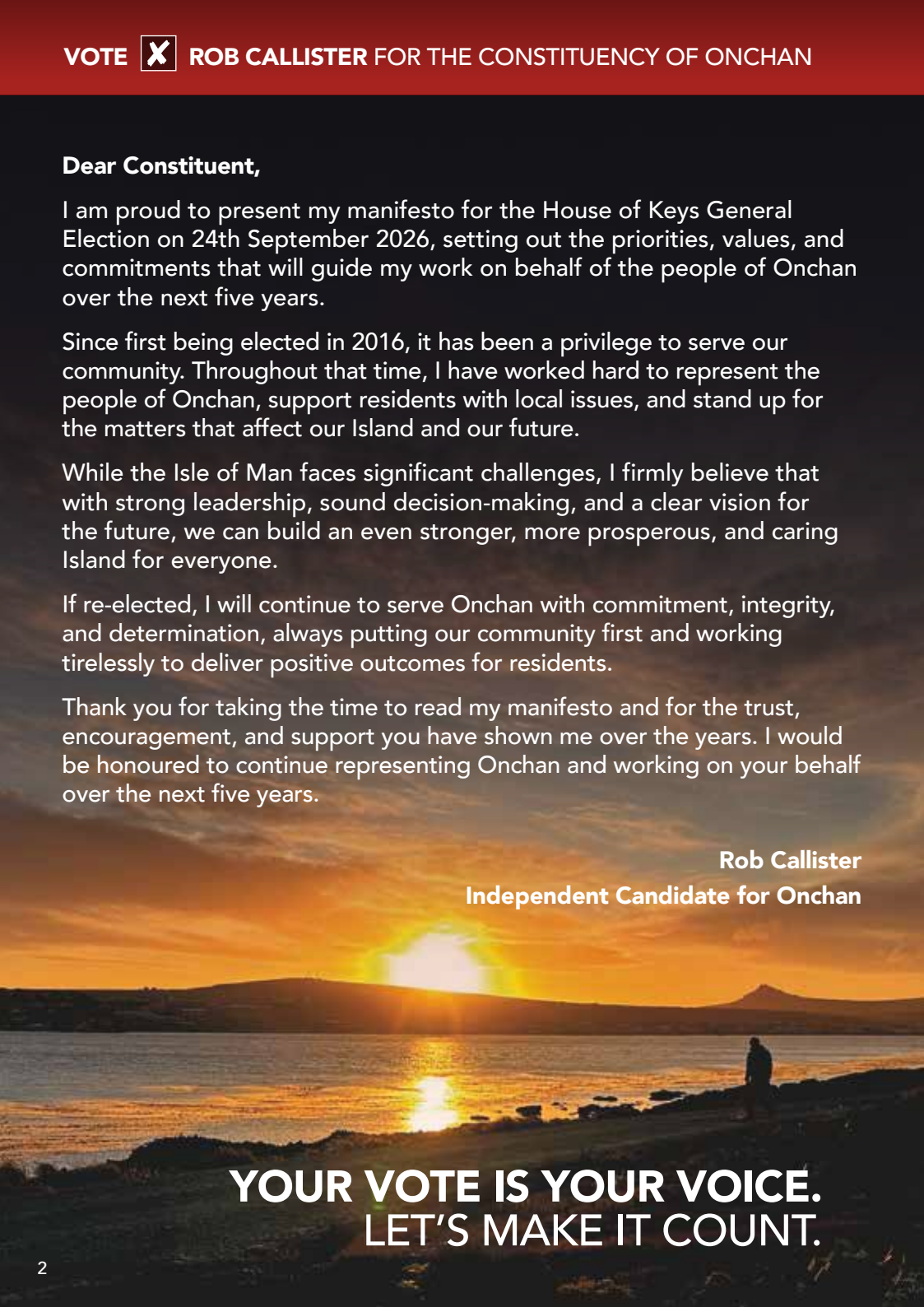
Since first being elected in 2016, it has been a privilege to serve our community. Throughout that time, I have worked hard to represent the people of Onchan, support residents with local issues, and stand up for the matters that affect our Island and our future.

While the Isle of Man faces significant challenges, I firmly believe that with strong leadership, sound decision-making, and a clear vision for the future, we can build an even stronger, more prosperous, and caring Island for everyone.

If re-elected, I will continue to serve Onchan with commitment, integrity, and determination, always putting our community first and working tirelessly to deliver positive outcomes for residents.

Thank you for taking the time to read my manifesto and for the trust, encouragement, and support you have shown me over the years. I would be honoured to continue representing Onchan and working on your behalf over the next five years.

Rob Callister
Independent Candidate for Onchan



YOUR VOTE IS YOUR VOICE.
LET'S MAKE IT COUNT.

Candidate Information

I am 57 years old, married to Ellen, and have lived in Abbeylands, Onchan, since 2007. I am a Fellow of the Chartered Management Institute and the International Compliance Association, and I hold the Trust and Estate Practitioner (Dip.ITM) qualification.

Independent Candidate

I am standing as an independent candidate, committed to working with anyone who will help deliver positive outcomes for Onchan and the Isle of Man. If re-elected, I will continue to serve wherever my experience can best benefit our community.

Political Experience

Since being elected in 2016, I have served as Minister for Health and Social Care, Chair of Manx Utilities, Chair of the Planning Committee, and Chair of the Public Service Commission. These roles, together with more than 18 years in the Island's finance sector, have given me extensive experience in leadership, governance, compliance, finance, and public service.



The Manx Economy

“Restoring confidence and creating opportunities for growth”

A successful Manx economy is built on a genuine partnership between government and business. Government’s role should be to provide long-term stability, modern infrastructure, a skilled workforce, and a fair regulatory environment, while businesses create jobs, drive investment, and generate economic growth. To achieve this, we must create the conditions and a long-term vision for the Island that allow local businesses to thrive, encourage entrepreneurship, attract investment, and support innovation across the Isle of Man.

Businesses consistently tell us they need four things: certainty, skills, investment, and genuine opportunities for economic growth. That means improving access to training and apprenticeships, supporting emerging sectors such as digital technology, AI, financial and professional services, strengthening infrastructure, and reducing unnecessary barriers that prevent businesses from expanding or succeeding. By working closely with employers, we can build a more productive economy, create higher-paid jobs, retain talented young people, and ensure the Isle of Man remains competitive on the international stage.



► KEY ELECTION PLEDGE

- Support business growth, investment, and job creation by reducing unnecessary bureaucracy, investing in skills and apprenticeships, encouraging innovation in technology and clean energy, and delivering the infrastructure needed for a resilient and competitive economy.

Work Permits & Immigration

“Supporting local workers,
skills and sustainable migration”

A strong economy depends on a skilled workforce, rewarding employment opportunities, and a balanced approach to migration. I believe we must prioritise employment opportunities for Isle of Man workers first, while investing in education, apprenticeships, training, and lifelong learning to help local people develop the skills needed for the jobs of today and tomorrow.

Where genuine skills shortages exist and cannot be met locally, inward migration can play an important role in supporting our economy, public services, and businesses. However, migration must be managed responsibly, ensuring that those who choose to make the Isle of Man their home can support themselves, integrate into our community, and make a positive contribution to our society and economy.

At the same time, we must maintain the security of our Island, protect the integrity of our borders, and ensure that migration policies are fair, transparent, and in the best interests of existing residents. By striking the right balance, we can support economic growth, meet workforce needs, and preserve the unique character and quality of life that make the Isle of Man such a special place to live and work.



► KEY ELECTION PLEDGE

- Put Manx workers first by investing in skills, training and apprenticeships, while supporting carefully managed migration where genuine workforce shortages exist, ensuring new residents contribute positively to our economy, communities and public services.

Health & Social Care

“Making health and social care work better for everyone”

Since the creation of Manx Care in 2021, the Isle of Man has undergone the most significant reform of its health and social care system in a generation. While progress has been made in areas such as community care, mental health services, and the integration of health and social care, significant challenges remain. Financial pressures, workforce shortages, governance concerns, and rising demand continue to place services under strain.

Too many residents still face long waits for appointments, diagnostic tests, elective procedures, and access to GP and NHS dental services. This has understandably affected public confidence and highlights the need for stronger accountability, better financial management, and a greater focus on patient outcomes.



Over the next five years, our priorities must be to reduce waiting times, strengthen frontline services, support and retain healthcare professionals, and ensure every pound invested delivers value for patients and taxpayers. By improving performance, accountability, and long-term sustainability, we can build a health and social care system that is accessible, resilient, and fit for the future.

► KEY ELECTION PLEDGES

- Support a long-term health and social care strategy with sustainable funding, a strong healthcare workforce, modern digital systems, and reduced waiting times so patients can access high-quality care when and where they need it.
- Support community-based, preventative, mental health, social care, and support services for older residents, while increasing transparency, accountability, and performance within Manx Care.

Nursing & Residential Care

“Fairer care, greater peace of mind”

Growing older should not bring uncertainty about how people will pay for the care they need. Yet too many individuals and families face difficult decisions and financial pressure when a loved one requires residential, nursing, or domiciliary care.

I support reform of the current system to make it fairer, more sustainable, and focused on helping people remain independent for longer. Future changes should provide greater protection for family homes and savings, offer more certainty over care costs, and ensure access to high-quality care is based on need rather than personal wealth.



Wherever possible, older residents should be supported to remain in their own homes through greater investment in community-based care, preventative services, and early intervention. We must also recognise the vital contribution of unpaid family carers by improving access to respite care, advice, and practical support.

Any future reforms must place dignity, independence, quality of care, and personal choice at their heart, giving older residents and their families greater peace of mind about the future.

► KEY ELECTION PLEDGE

- Help to deliver a fair, sustainable and compassionate care system that helps older residents live independently for longer, strengthens support for family carers, invests in community-based services, and ensures dignity, quality of care and personal choice remain at the heart of future reforms.

Population & Housing

“Building the right homes, in the right places, for the right future.”

Housing is one of the Isle of Man’s greatest challenges and a key to our future prosperity. Too many young people, families, key workers, and older residents struggle to access affordable, suitable homes. We must deliver more high-quality housing while ensuring local people can live, work, and build their future on our Island.

As Chair of the Planning Committee, I have supported the approval of more than 650 new homes since November 2023.

However, future housing policy must be driven by local need, sustainable population growth, and the delivery of the right homes in the right places. Greater use should be made of brownfield and underused sites before greenfield land is developed.





Housing growth must be supported by investment in roads, schools, healthcare, public transport, utilities, and community facilities. Population growth and economic development can only succeed if infrastructure keeps pace.

I will continue to support a balanced approach that improves affordability, helps first-time buyers, supports economic growth, protects our environment, and creates sustainable communities for future generations.

► KEY ELECTION PLEDGES

- Help to deliver more homes for local people by unlocking development, accelerating housebuilding, and supporting a long-term housing strategy that provides affordable housing, supports sustainable growth, and meets the needs of communities across the Isle of Man.
- Support the delivery of around 1,500 affordable homes over the next decade, including at least 500 homes for first-time buyers and 250–300 additional social housing properties, while seeking changes to Housing Policy 5 to require 35% affordable housing on greenfield sites and 10% on brownfield and underused sites, helping to increase the supply of affordable homes for local people.
- Continue pressing for the introduction of an Empty Homes Premium to encourage long-term vacant properties back into use and increase the availability of housing for residents.

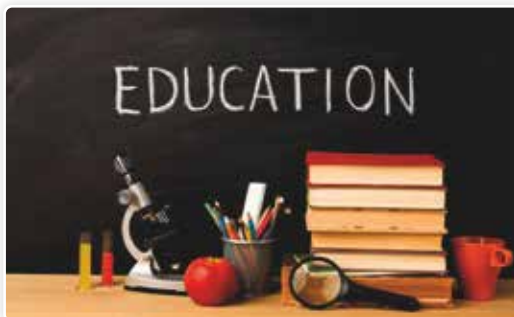
Education

“Helping every child reach their full potential”

Education is one of the Isle of Man's greatest assets, shaping our future and creating opportunities for the next generation. While our teachers, support staff, and schools work tirelessly, recent reviews have highlighted the need to raise standards, improve consistency, and ensure every child receives the support they need to succeed.

Over the next five years, we must improve educational outcomes, strengthen support for children with Additional Educational Needs, reduce inequalities, expand vocational and career opportunities, and build stronger links between education and employment.

While most young people successfully progress into further education, training, or work, we must do more to support those at risk of falling behind. Our aim must be to ensure every young person develops the skills, confidence, and experience needed to build a successful future.



► KEY ELECTION PLEDGES

- Ensure every child has the opportunity to succeed by improving support for Additional Educational Needs, tackling educational disadvantage, and providing the early intervention and specialist support needed to help every pupil reach their full potential.
- Equip young people with the skills, experience and opportunities needed for the future by expanding apprenticeships and vocational pathways, strengthening links between education and employers, and enhancing digital, technical, financial and life skills education.

Environment

“Protecting our Island for future generations”

The energy crisis of 2021–2022 exposed just how vulnerable the Isle of Man is to global energy markets and rising fuel prices. While Government support provided vital help to households and businesses during an unprecedented period, it also highlighted the urgent need to strengthen our energy security, reduce reliance on imported fuels, and better protect residents from future price shocks.

Encouraging progress has been made, with carbon emissions falling by around 10% since 2018 and thousands of households benefiting from energy-efficiency measures that have reduced energy consumption, lowered bills, and created warmer homes. However, we cannot afford to be complacent.



Over the next five years, we must accelerate investment in renewable energy, modernise our energy infrastructure, and improve the efficiency of homes and businesses across the Island. By taking practical and achievable action today, we can deliver lower energy costs, greater energy independence, enhanced energy security, and a cleaner, more resilient Isle of Man for future generations.

► KEY ELECTION PLEDGES

- Support investment in local renewable energy and cleaner technologies to strengthen the Isle of Man’s energy security, reduce reliance on imported fuels, and build a more resilient and sustainable future.
- Help households reduce energy costs by expanding home energy-improvement grants, promoting higher energy-efficiency standards in new homes, and supporting practical measures that cut energy consumption and lower household bills.

Moor Vannin Offshore Wind Farm

“Protecting our seas, safeguarding our future”

The Moor Vannin Offshore Wind Farm application is currently being considered under the Marine Infrastructure Management Act 2016 (MIMA). Ørsted’s revised proposal includes up to 87 offshore wind turbines located 6 to 12 nautical miles off the Isle of Man’s east coast, with an anticipated operational lifespan of around 35 years.

While the project could bring economic, environmental, and energy security benefits, significant concerns remain regarding its scale, location, visual impact, and potential effects on tourism, fishing, and other marine industries.



A decision is expected in September. However, I cannot, in good conscience, support an offshore wind farm in Manx territorial waters unless it delivers clear, tangible, and lasting benefits for Isle of Man residents and businesses. Any decision of this magnitude must be transparent, evidence-based, and demonstrably in the long-term interests of our Island, its people, and future generations.

► KEY ELECTION PLEDGES

- Oppose any offshore wind development in Manx territorial waters that exports all of its electricity to the UK without delivering clear, direct and lasting benefits to Isle of Man residents and businesses, beyond simply generating revenue for the Treasury.
- Require the next Council of Ministers and Manx Utilities to publish the full evidence base for any offshore wind proposal in Manx territorial waters that could supply electricity to the Isle of Man, including clear assessments of the economic benefits, environmental impacts, visual effects and community implications, and to undertake meaningful public consultation before any final decision is made.
- Advocate that any final decision made by the Council of Ministers is debated openly in Tynwald and subject to democratic scrutiny before receiving final approval.

Western Link 2 / Cyswllt Gorllewinol 2

“Exploring every opportunity to secure the Isle of Man’s energy future”

If the Isle of Man is serious about strengthening its long-term energy security, the next Council of Ministers and Manx Utilities should also fully assess the opportunities presented by the proposed Western Link 2 interconnector.

While continuing to invest in local renewable energy generation, we must ensure that all viable alternatives are thoroughly examined before committing to major infrastructure projects.

A connection to Western Link 2 could enhance energy security, improve access to renewable electricity markets, strengthen network resilience and deliver wider economic benefits for the Island.

Projects such as the Mooir Vannin Offshore Wind Farm should be considered alongside all credible alternatives through a transparent, evidence-based assessment, ensuring the Isle of Man secures the most affordable, reliable and sustainable energy future for generations to come.



► KEY ELECTION PLEDGE

- Support a full independent assessment of the Western Link 2 interconnector opportunity, alongside all other major renewable energy proposals, to ensure the Isle of Man delivers the most secure, affordable and sustainable energy future possible.

Government Reform & Accountability

“Better government,
stronger communities”

A stronger Island needs a Government that listens, engages, and delivers. By improving transparency, strengthening accountability, and involving the public more closely in decision-making, we can rebuild trust, improve outcomes, and ensure public services provide real value for money.

The Isle of Man faces significant financial, demographic, and service delivery challenges. Meeting these challenges requires a Government that is efficient, responsive, and focused on results, not bureaucracy. While our public servants work hard on behalf of our communities, we must reduce duplication, strengthen cross-department working, and ensure taxpayers receive the best possible return from every pound spent.



I believe Government should focus on its core responsibilities, empower frontline services, embrace digital transformation, and work in partnership with local communities, businesses, and the third sector. Reform is not about cutting services. It is about delivering better outcomes, improving efficiency, and ensuring public money is spent wisely.

► KEY ELECTION PLEDGE

- Support a more transparent, accountable, and efficient Government by strengthening scrutiny of major projects, publishing the evidence behind key decisions, reducing unnecessary bureaucracy, and building a stronger partnership between Government and the people of the Isle of Man.

Infrastructure & Public Services

“Reliable transport, safer roads, greater connectivity”

Our Island needs infrastructure that keeps pace with the needs of residents, businesses, and future generations. From roads and pavements to public transport, drainage, utilities, and digital connectivity, investment must be properly planned and delivered to support housing growth, economic development, and thriving communities.



The condition of many roads and pavements is a concern regularly raised by constituents during this General Election campaign. Traffic congestion, parking pressures, public transport services, and flooding during periods of heavy rainfall also affect the daily lives of residents and businesses. These challenges require long-term planning and investment rather than short-term fixes.

With more than 81,000 registered vehicles on the Isle of Man and around £14 million collected annually through vehicle duty, I believe the next administration must place a greater priority on improving our road network and pavements. Consideration should also be given to ring-fencing vehicle duty revenue to ensure sustained investment in highway maintenance, resurfacing, and infrastructure improvements over the next five years.

► KEY ELECTION PLEDGE

- Support long-term investment in roads, pavements, public transport that better connects our towns and villages, drainage, flood prevention, utilities, digital connectivity, and community infrastructure, ensuring services keep pace with population growth, support economic development, and protect homes, businesses, and communities for future generations.

Law & Order

“Keeping our Island safe”



The Isle of Man remains one of the safest places in the British Isles. While crime continues to fall, new challenges such as cybercrime, organised crime, domestic abuse, safeguarding concerns and mental health-related incidents place increasing demands on our police and emergency services.

To maintain our reputation as a safe and secure Island, we must continue investing in frontline policing, crime prevention and early intervention, while ensuring vulnerable people receive the protection and support they need.

Safe communities are built on strong policing, effective prevention and public confidence. By supporting our police, protecting the vulnerable and tackling crime in all its forms, we can keep the Isle of Man a safe and welcoming place to live, work and raise a family.

► KEY ELECTION PLEDGES

- Support safer communities through strong neighbourhood policing, robust action against serious and organised crime, better protection for vulnerable adults and children, and improved road safety.
- Support a modern, transparent and independent police complaints system.

Air & Sea Links

“Keeping the Isle of Man connected”

Reliable and affordable air and sea links are vital to the Isle of Man’s future. As an island, our economy, businesses, tourism industry and communities depend on strong and reliable connections with the UK and Ireland.

Whether supporting local companies, attracting visitors, enabling trade or helping residents travel for work, education, healthcare and leisure, connectivity is fundamental to our quality of life and economic success. Over the next five years, we must focus on strengthening our transport links, improving reliability and ensuring that the Isle of Man remains open, accessible and competitive.



► KEY ELECTION PLEDGES

- Help deliver reliable and affordable air and sea links by supporting key routes, securing a stronger Sea Services Agreement, and working with transport providers to improve reliability and the passenger experience.
- Strengthen the Island’s connectivity to support economic growth, tourism, investment and job creation, ensuring the Isle of Man remains competitive, accessible and well connected.

Heritage, Sport, Culture and the Arts

"Protecting our Island's unique identity"



Our heritage and culture are at the heart of the Isle of Man's identity, economy and international reputation, and form the foundation of our vibrant tourism industry. Re-establishing a dedicated Department of Tourism, Heritage, Culture and the Arts would provide stronger leadership, clearer accountability and a renewed focus on promoting and protecting some of our Island's greatest assets.

From our rich Celtic and Viking heritage to the world-famous TT Races, historic sites, museums, Manx language and vibrant cultural events, the Isle of Man has a unique story to tell. These sectors attract visitors and investment, support jobs and local businesses, enrich community life, and help make our Island a great place to live, work and raise a family.

Bringing tourism, heritage, culture and the arts together under one department would create a clear long-term vision for growth, strengthen our national identity, and enhance the Isle of Man's profile on the international stage.

► KEY ELECTION PLEDGE

- Continue to promote the Isle of Man's heritage, culture and arts by supporting a dedicated Department of Tourism, Heritage, Culture and the Arts, investing in our unique national identity, and promoting the Island as a leading destination for tourism, culture, heritage and major events.

Growing Families

“Giving every family the opportunity to succeed”

Supporting hard-working families must be a priority for the next Government. That means tackling the cost of living, helping first-time buyers and young families access affordable housing, expanding childcare support, and ensuring our healthcare and education services meet the needs of a growing population.

We must also allow families to keep more of what they earn through a fair tax system, improve transport and community facilities, and create opportunities for young people to build their future on the Isle of Man. By investing in families, we invest in stronger communities and a stronger economy.

Childcare provision on the Isle of Man remains primarily focused on supporting pre-school education, unlike systems in England that also help parents return to work. We need a modern childcare system that supports working families, encourages employment and training, and gives every child the best possible start in life.



► KEY ELECTION PLEDGES

- Make childcare more affordable and accessible by extending support for children under three, increasing childcare funding and tax reliefs, and providing greater assistance for parents who are working, training or studying.
- Expand high-quality childcare across the Island by increasing childcare places, strengthening workforce recruitment, and extending wraparound care before and after school and during school holidays to better support working families.

The Next Generation

“Affordable homes, better opportunities, stronger futures”

Young people across the Isle of Man face increasing challenges, from rising living costs and housing pressures to concerns about job security and mental wellbeing.

Affordable housing remains one of the biggest obstacles, with many young people finding home ownership increasingly out of reach. We must not accept a future where the next generation cannot afford to live and build their future on our Island.

Over the next five years, we must increase the supply of affordable housing, support better paid jobs, expand training and apprenticeship opportunities, improve access to mental health services, and ensure affordable public transport. By doing so, we can help young people secure a home, build a career, and achieve their full potential here on the Isle of Man.



► KEY ELECTION PLEDGES

- Give young people a stronger start in life by increasing access to affordable homes, supporting higher wages, and expanding training, apprenticeship and career opportunities that create a clear pathway to success on the Island.
- Improve opportunities and wellbeing for young people by making public transport more affordable and accessible, while strengthening mental health and early intervention services to ensure support is available when it is needed most.

Older Residents

“Celebrating the backbone
of our community”

Older residents make an invaluable contribution to our community through volunteering, caring responsibilities, and supporting local organisations. Their experience, knowledge, and commitment continue to enrich Island life.



However, many pensioners face increasing challenges, including rising living costs, pressures on healthcare services, and the effects of loneliness and social isolation. As our population ages, we must ensure older people can enjoy retirement with dignity, independence, and financial security.

I will continue to support a sustainable Manx State Pension, protect benefits such as free TV licences for those aged 75 and over, improve access to healthcare and social care, and champion stronger action to tackle loneliness. I also believe older residents and the third sector deserve a stronger voice in Government to help shape future policies and services.

► KEY ELECTION PLEDGES

- Help protect and support older residents by safeguarding the value of the Manx State Pension, retaining free TV licences for those aged 75 and over, and ensuring older people have a stronger voice within Government and Manx Care.
- Help older residents remain independent for longer by improving co-ordination of healthcare and support services, while developing a joined-up strategy to tackle loneliness and social isolation across the Island.



Local Focus

“An MHK that supports our village”

For the past 10 years, it has been a privilege to serve the people of Onchan, working hard to support residents, resolve local issues and represent our community at the highest levels of Government. Through hundreds of constituency cases, I have worked alongside individuals, families, community groups and the Local Authority to secure positive outcomes and make a real difference.



I cannot promise to win every battle, but I can promise to work tirelessly on your behalf. I have always been accessible, approachable and committed to ensuring the voices of Onchan residents are heard. Whether helping vulnerable residents, challenging decisions or securing improvements for our village, my priority has always been the same: putting Onchan first and delivering for the community I am proud to call home.

► KEY ELECTION PLEDGES

- Help deliver a stronger future for Onchan by holding Government accountable for long-overdue improvements to traffic management, parking, key junctions, bus services and local infrastructure, while ensuring more road tax revenue is invested in repairing and maintaining the Island's roads and pavements.
- Strengthen Onchan's voice by working closely with residents, Commissioners and community groups to deliver the Onchan 15-Year Roadmap, while promoting fairer social housing policies, higher maintenance standards, greater transparency and a stronger voice for tenants.

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24th September 2026

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