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Vote for ROLAND **ARDERN-CORRIS**

Please do not hesitate to call me if you wish to discuss any issues in more detail.

I would be pleased to help you if you need transport on Election Day.

> Committee Rooms for the day -15 Princes Road Douglas

Would you like to help get me elected on the 23rd November?

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MY PERSONAL MANIFESTO

HOUSE OF KEYS GENERAL ELECTION **THURSDAY 23RD NOVEMBER 2006**





Liberal Vannin Party Candidate for **DOUGLAS WEST**

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Dear Constituent,

I have pleasure in offering you my personal manifesto for the forthcoming Election. You should have already received the Liberal Vannin Party manifesto with my own personal statement to you. Here, however, I would like to highlight my own personal views and concerns on the many important issues to the people living in Douglas West.

I believe that if I am elected I can, with the backing of the Liberal Vannin Party, help bring about some real improvements to the governance of this Island. I would also like to be in a position where I can be of personal assistance to you if the need arises.

I recognise that an MHK is employed by their Constituents. If elected I intend to visit every Constituent during the 5-year term of Office and to hold regular meetings in Douglas West.

Space does not permit me to go into detail on any of the Local and National issues mentioned here but you can read about them in more depth on my website - **www.voteroland.com**. If you do not have access to the Internet I can send you a hard copy version at your request.

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for all the support and encouragement I have been receiving while out canvassing.

I am trying to visit as many people as I can before the Election, but if I don't manage to meet with you please accept my sincere apologies. If you need to discuss any matter with me then please do not hesitate to contact me.





The Liberal Vannin Central Branch hold meetings on the 1st Tuesday of each month at the Christian Science Church at 8pm. All are welcome to attend.

Some Local Issues

Local Health Facilities

The planned move of the Palatine Health Centre to Braddan seems to me to be somewhat ludicrous in that the concept of a local health centre is that it should be just that, local! For some people it will be just an inconvenience, but for many older people and those without their own transport, it will mean a very expensive taxi journey each time they need to see their doctor. If elected, I will personally campaign for the retention of this important and vital facility to be kept near to the people it serves.

Sub-Post Office Closure

The closure of the sub-post office is an issue that is constantly raised by the constituents of West Douglas and a way of reintroducing this facility should be looked at even if it is not located in the same place as it was.

Road and Pavement Improvements

The state of the local roads has been brought to my attention by people who like to cycle to work. I am told that on a bike you notice the potholes a lot more! More resources should be allocated for local road and pavement improvements.

Parking issues in Douglas West

Parking is a problem for many people especially as only part of Douglas West area is zoned. This partial zoning has the effect of putting extra parking pressure on the areas not in a zone more often from people who want to leave vehicles for the long term. Common sense says that either all of Douglas should be zoned or none of it zoned.

House Maintenance for the Elderly

Many people have worked hard all their lives to buy their own homes but it is regrettable that many of these hard working people on receipt of small pensions find it difficult to maintain their privately owned homes. I believe that it is important to assist them by offering financial support when major repairs would cause hardship and distress. I would support Government initiatives in the form of grant assistance or the use of apprenticeship schemes to offer practical solutions under supervision.

Hospital Waiting Lists

The waiting lists seem to be getting longer with some people having operations carried out privately in order to avoid the delay and regain their quality of life. I personally believe that situation is unacceptable and steps must be taken to resolve this issue.

Some National Issues

Government Reform

The shocking trend of Government incompetence which has resulted in a whole host of expensive, inefficient and badly managed services, for example, rocketing energy prices, with serious economic implications for the future of the Island has to be reversed. I would like to be part of a Government committed to facing up to the real issues and problems on the Island.

The Economy

The Government needs to create a diverse and sustainable economic base which is robust and serves future generations. The Island's long term goal must be to secure services, employment and income for all at a level expected in a caring and prosperous society.

Housing

I believe that is it everyone's right to have safe, comfortable and affordable home in which to live and raise their families. To this end I fully endorse the idea of a Protected Local Housing Market with a Government backed Part-Equity Mortgage Scheme to support affordable housing for all.

Immigration

A Controlled Immigration Policy based on economic merit is both a realistic and attainable goal to control immigration. Economic migrants would be welcome to the Island providing the skills they bring and intend to utilise match the skill shortages prevailing at the time. By integrating economic skill requirements to an immigration policy, we will be able to grow and manage our economy in a clear, steady and controlled manner to our overall benefit without creating long term problems for future generations.

Health & Welfare

A complete overhaul is needed to ensure that the Department of Health is both more efficient and accountable in its management of resources as far as the Social Services are concerned. There should be a push for improvements and value for money from our National Health Service which should be everyone's right in a caring and prosperous society.

Law Enforcement

We need to be innovative in our approach to policing and willing to use the best proven methods available. On an Island the size of ours we should be able to control the drug and alcohol culture which is a root cause of escalating crime rates. We must make sure the police are involved in policing and not in any unnecessary paperwork. As the population of the Island increases we must expect higher crime rates if we do not put the necessary resources in place.

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