

I am standing again for Laxey Village Commissioner because I feel I have yet to complete the task that I set out to do nine years ago. I will continue to try to bring a fresh outlook and new ideas to the village community of Laxey. I am willing to persevere to get things done. I will continue to work for the Laxey community in as many ways as I can and to spend rate-payers' money as wisely as possible. Let's make no bones about it; Laxey is a great place to live but there is still potential for improvement.

I am keen to encourage you, the Voter, to put forward your own ideas and I will be happy to represent your views should I be re-elected. Please do not hesitate to contact me with your suggestions or problems.

I AM A SERIOUS CANDIDATE FOR THE LAXEY COMMISSIONERS. The Election is THURSDAY 24th APRIL 2008 and Polling is at Laxey Commissioners' Offices on the New Road, between 8.00 am and 8.00 pm. Should you require transport on Election day please telephone me. Please note that there is provision for absent voters. Please ring Laxey Commissioners on 861 241 or contact me.

**Please use your vote for the benefit of our Village. I need your support to re-elect me as a Commissioner for Laxey and I will continue to strive to do my best for the Village of Laxey and its rate-payers.**

**A VOTE FOR PETER KINNISH  
IS  
A VOTE FOR COMMON SENSE**

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### **TO ALL LAXEY VILLAGE VOTERS**

Thank you for your support over the last 9 years during which time I have been Chairman twice and also Vice chairman twice.

I am from Laxey. I went to Liverpool University and taught in England before returning to be Head of Mathematics at Ramsey Grammar School. I am a "doer" rather than a talker and I believe that if a job is worth doing it is worth doing well. In the past 9 years some considerable progress has been made around the Village, but there is still plenty to do.

#### **Village Projects in which I am involved are –**

a) I am a Director of the Charity, Laxey & Lonan Sports, which was formed by Laxey Football Club to build a new Clubhouse and Community Centre at the Football Field. I am groundsman for the football pitch area and caretaker of the building which is used 7 days a week. This was all done without any expense to the rate payers of Laxey and is used for matches, yoga, craft club, dancing, band practice, meetings, childrens parties, christenings and various functions, licensed or otherwise.

b) For many years I played football for Laxey and have been involved in running junior teams for the past 30 years. With the increase in the Village population and the rise in the number of children wanting to play football I now find myself almost full time organising practices, matches, looking after the

## **Some of the Projects that have been achieved recently.**

- a) The Commissioners now send out periodic newsletters.
- b) A considerable amount of money has been spent on health and safety issues in the Valley Gardens along with several other improvements.
- c) Childrens play areas at the beach and the football field has been upgraded. A new BMX track and the skateboard facilities have been created in Glen Road.
- d) At the old tennis court site in Glen Road, the singles tennis court has been resurfaced and a new multi sport arena replaces the old doubles court and can now be used for tennis, basketball, netball, football and other sports.
- e) The Working Men's Institute is now at last under control of the Commissioners and the renovation has recently been started by volunteers with some help from the Commissioners.
- f) The New Road offices, Quarry Road camp site, 2 Prom shelters and beach huts have been renovated.
- g) The football field car park has been resurfaced and is used as a drop off point for Laxey School children.
- h) The New Road and Promenade toilets have been refurbished and new public toilets built adjacent to the football clubhouse.

While I do not agree with every decision taken in the board room, considerable progress has been made.

## **Village Projects that I would like to see in the near future.**

- a) The Beach area is one of the most popular spots in the Isle of Man and is in desperate need renovation. The Department of Transport has agreed to improve the Promenade area by laying new paving stones and kerbs and traditionally styled street lighting will be installed along Promenade.
- b) Everyone wants to live in Laxey and I am in favour of first time buyer houses being built if suitable sites can be found.
- c) The Rose Gardens, Valley Gardens toilets and the Promenade café needs something done about them.
- d) Most of Laxey is in a Conservation Area and has many features that need to be attractively maintained or renovated i.e.

**Beach, Harbour, Promenade, Shelters and grass areas  
Restaurants, Cafes, Shops Inns, Mills and Churches  
The 2 Wheels, the Mines and Railway and Tram Station  
Valley, Rose, Heritage and Glen Gardens**

**Working Mens Institute building and the Heritage Centre**  
The role of the Commissioners is important, not only in improving their own facilities but also initiating and supporting improvements made by others.

- e) Laxey now works much more closely with Lonan and Maughold Commissioners to form the Garff Initiative. Amalgamation of Laxey, Lonan and Maughold Commissioners may well be the way forward to achieving lasting independence from Central Government in the long term.