

My name is Christopher Mayers

I am 57 and have lived in Ramsey for 11 years, before that we lived out at Regaby for 3 years. I first came to the Island in the 70s and lived in Laxey. This is where I met and married my wife Lynn. We were married in the old Laxey church 37 years ago. My mother and father in-law ran the Coach and Horses pub in Laxey for many years and we lived in Agneash where my eldest son Christian was born.

At that time I worked for Russels Butchers in Douglas, a profession my youngest son Lee has taken up. He works and lives in Kirk Michael and has been there for several years with his fiancé. My eldest son Christian, who is head of Security at one of the Islands leading Banks, has recently returned to the Island with my four grand children who attend Schools in Ramsey. My grandson will go to Ramsey Grammar School this September. My older brother lives in Kirk Michael. My twin sister lives and works in Ramsey as a pharmacist's assistant.

As a family we now believe Ramsey is our home.

I have worked in a variety of jobs ranging from butchering to lorry driving. I worked as a manager in freight transport company that I eventually took over. I owned and ran my own American limo hire and Taxi business from Ramsey. I most recently worked for the pharmacies in Ramsey and Douglas delivering prescription medicine to the elderly and infirm people of Ramsey and surrounding areas.

My vocation at the moment is as a 'voluntary' Taxi and Freight Transport Adviser. This is due to my knowledge and qualifications as a Taxi/Freight Transport operator. I am a member of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport who upgrade your ability on a yearly basis. Tynwald is about to propose new Regulations affecting the Taxi and Freight Transport industry, a number of which are unacceptable to the trade. I have been involved and attending meetings with Senior Ministers about a number of their concerns over the changes.

Unfortunately due to my heart condition I have had to cut down on manual work. However I still do as much as I am able including my passion for attending shows of heavy working horses. I like to keep my mind active and am always involved in political issues at Tynwald level. Hence the reason why I think I would be an asset to Ramsey Commissioners.

Thank you *Chris Mayers*

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North Ward of Ramsey – General Election Thursday 26th April 2012

A general election for the election of six members of the Ramsey Town Commission for the north and six members for the south ward.
Poll cards will be provided to all registered voters.

VOTE



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My objectives

- Continue to ask voters to decide on major issues concerning our Town
- Make sure constituents views are fully understood at meetings
- To ensure that the majority rule on important matters regarding our town and your obligation to vote **for** or **against** on important issues that affect us all
- To ensure there is no bullying at town meetings by some who have their own agenda

Use your Vote

**Only you the Voter can bring about change
Please Vote for Christopher Mayers - Ramsey North
Help me to help you get the best for all**

As a family man and grandfather of five, I feel Ramsey is progressing. We all have to admit that we have attained great housing for our community. Refurbishment of commissioner's properties continue to be brought up to a good if not to a perfect standard.

We now have new schools, a swimming pool and a bowling alley, so there are some positive changes, but it's not enough. It's not just about the young, what about our senior citizens? It won't be long before more of us will be at that stage of life!

I am of the opinion that the town deserves more, we need to find a way of making enough noise at Central Government. Not an easy task unless we as commissioners and of course, **YOU** the voter, shout loud enough about what you want for our Town. Maybe the commissioners could make a stronger representation about our town's regeneration to Central Government, something I personally will be exploring if I am successful.

One thing I will be doing is discussing points of view with my electors on a regular basis and not just at election time! What do we want for our town? Let's stop listening to "Chinese whispers" about what the electors want. The revival of Douglas Quay and Peel Marina is amazing, there are some who call Peel the new Douglas. Maybe it's because of the investment that has been put into it? Maybe their Commissioners and ALL their voters have sung from the same song sheet. It's not just the Marina, more new houses mean more people using the businesses of the Sunset City. We have many empty shops, but our town doesn't shout out to anyone to come and visit or invest, so that poses the question: Do we need a Marina? There are businesses in the area who think it would regenerate the town. We have to go to a public vote on that matter ***again*** and you ALL must vote.

We also have to try and get the attractions back that used to bring people to our town and beautiful park: Music festivals, sports events and kid's fun days. What was that saying, **'Build it and they will come'**.

I have no misconceptions that my voice alone can bring about major changes to the town overnight. There are 12 people who are YOUR representatives and who you could vote for.

Whoever is elected, or re-elected, even if they are a new face on the block should be there for YOUR benefit and to benefit the Town and not because they think change is bad.

At present I do not have any public roles; however I give voluntary assistance to The Manx Taxi Federation and Freight Transport Operators. I am however more than willing to help and advise any business that should require my assistance, even if I am not successful in the election I would still be available to anyone.

So as you can see I am a man from a working class background who wants us and future generations to have a Ramsey that we can be proud of. Hopefully there will be like minded people in our Town who have the same principles as I do. I hope to work with ALL the commissioners new and old. I do not want to castigate any members.

I would be there to put forward what YOU want, and not to surmise what you may want. All we need to do is ask you, all you need to do is vote on matters that concern us all. You can not have the attitude of, 'I can't be bothered voting' on big issues like YES or NO to the Marina or the Pier and then complain because it has not gone the way you hoped it would.

***You Have to Vote with your Feet
on any proposal that is put to a
Public Vote and is of Concern to you!***

I am not a man of wealth, I don't have a business like some other commissioners who can afford not to accept the Commissioners Attendance Allowance due to their wealth! This payment shouldn't be the reason you would put yourself forward anyway! I don't have a list of public appointments or committees that I sit on. This gives me more time to go round on a regular basis and ask voters what they want and not just to wait until election time.

With this and common sense and the ability to try and solve problems with determination, I hope to serve you well.

Thank you and God Bless

Chris Mayers