

# VOTE



## CANDIDATE FOR MIDDLE HOUSE OF KEYS ELECTION

# JANE POOLE-WILSON



**WORKING TOGETHER FOR  
OUR ISLAND**

### OUR ISLAND IS FACING A NUMBER OF ISSUES



**FUTURE ECONOMIC STRENGTH  
AND DEVELOPMENT**



**BETTER ACCESS TO HEALTH  
SERVICE, INCLUDING  
MENTAL HEALTH**



**POSITIVE ACTION TO  
ADDRESS CLIMATE CHANGE  
AND SUPPORT OUR  
ENVIRONMENT**

### I WANT TO SEE OUR ISLAND ADAPT TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES

I am optimistic that the Island can recover well from the impact of the pandemic if we make the right decisions. I seek your trust to represent you and work hard using my skills and experience to contribute to the future positive development of our community and the Island.

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# MY COMMITMENT

## DEAR RESIDENT

I have talked to many of you over the last few weeks - thank you for sharing your questions, ideas and concerns. In this manifesto, I have brought together your input and my experience in Legislative Council to set out what is important for our community and the Island.

### IT IS CLEAR THAT WE MUST:

- IMPROVE TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY AND VALUE FOR MONEY;
- WORK TO DELIVER SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS WHERE THEY FALL SHORT;
- WORK MORE EFFECTIVELY ACROSS GOVERNMENT TO DELIVER OUTCOMES THAT MEET PEOPLE'S NEEDS;
- PLAN WELL FOR OUR FUTURE.



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It is more important than ever for Departments to work together more closely to achieve positive change. Examples include a coherent approach to housing policy, action to address climate change, and the need to attract younger economically active people to live and work here.

While I cannot deliver such change alone, I commit to working hard with others, with tenacity and integrity, to represent you and to work for improvement and value for money.

# BETTER ACCESS TO PHYSICAL & MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

I took part in and supported the recommendations of the Sir Jonathan Michael review into our health and social care provision. It is now important that those recommendations are effectively delivered on. We need, as a priority, to see Manx Care succeed as an arm's length body that achieves:

## HOW OUR HEALTH SERVICE NEEDS TO BE IMPROVED

- REDUCED WAITING TIMES, AND CARE DELIVERED IN THE RIGHT PLACE AT THE RIGHT TIME, INCLUDING APPROPRIATE USE OF TELEMEDICINE;
- EARLIER DIAGNOSIS OF CANCER;
- BETTER INTEGRATION OF SERVICES TO PREVENT GAPS IN CARE;
- INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO RECRUITMENT, INCLUDING EXPANDED LOCAL TRAINING PROVISION FOR NURSES AND CREATING JOINT WORKING OPTIONS FOR SPECIALISTS WHO WISH TO REMAIN LINKED TO SPECIALIST HOSPITALS OFF ISLAND;
- CONSISTENTLY SAFE, QUALITY CARE;
- MORE STAFF ACROSS ALL LEVELS OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES TO GIVE QUICKER HELP TO THE MOST SERIOUSLY ILL AND TO PROVIDE MORE LOWER LEVEL PREVENTATIVE INTERVENTIONS;

- IMPROVED COMMUNICATION WITH PATIENTS AND SERVICE USERS, TO REDUCE DELAY AND WASTE;
- BETTER RESPONSIVENESS TO PATIENT AND SERVICE USER CONCERNS;
- IMPROVED WORKING CULTURE AND MORALE TO SUPPORT ATTRACTING AND RETAINING STAFF.

Publication by Manx Care of its work plans, targets and performance data will provide better understanding of effectiveness. I will press for such transparency and accountability. I will also seek timely delivery on an improved complaint handling approach.

# OUR ECONOMIC STRENGTH AND DEVELOPMENT



Our economic strength and development is critical to provide employment and income to fund public services.

KPMG is undertaking an economic strategic review aimed at having a diversified economy targeting growth in the digital and green sectors. I support the review. But it will be important that Government prioritises consideration of the recommendations from the review and then works with businesses to develop and implement actions.

## I BELIEVE GOVERNMENT MUST:

- ENGAGE WITH LOCAL BUSINESSES TO ENSURE GOVERNMENT POLICY AND LEGISLATION IS RELEVANT AND WORKS FOR THEM AND MEETS THEIR NEEDS;
- MAINTAIN THE ISLAND'S REPUTATION AS A WELL-REGULATED JURISDICTION;
- WORK TO ADDRESS SKILLS GAPS, INCLUDING VOCATIONAL TRAINING AND APPRENTICESHIPS AS WELL AS ACADEMIC COURSES;
- ENSURE DEPARTMENTS WORK IN A MORE JOINED-UP WAY WHEN DEVELOPING POLICY.

We must also create a very clear vision of what the Isle of Man offers that marks us out from our competitor jurisdictions so we can better promote the opportunities available here.



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# CLIMATE CHANGE

## POSITIVE ACTION TO ADDRESS & CHANGE



I was part of the Professor Curran climate change team and believe we must progress now to take responsible action to address climate change in a way that both leaves no one behind and creates opportunity and benefit for our Island.

It may be tempting to think that the Isle of Man's actions will make very little difference in a global context. I believe we must play our part. I also think that with the right actions there are many benefits, whereas without action, we will get left behind.

We have the opportunity to create a green, cleaner and more sustainable Island and way of life. The benefits include warmer, more energy efficient homes, job opportunities, and increasing the appeal of the Island as an attractive place for people to live and work.

Action is underway to maximise our capacity to remove carbon from the atmosphere (including peatland restoration, additional tree planting, work on a future land use management plan and on blue carbon capacity in our territorial waters).

Key decisions need to be made regarding our future energy supply. Energy generation is the main source of our emissions. Whilst becoming a net importer of green energy generated elsewhere might allow us to move more rapidly to reduce the Island's emissions, I would support an approach that seeks to develop our renewable energy capability and storage capacity such that we can meet our own future energy needs and have the potential to export energy to our neighbours. I believe this would give us greater future energy security and stability, as well as create a revenue stream.

## OTHER AREAS FOR ACTION INCLUDE:

- A CROSS GOVERNMENT APPROACH THAT HAS OUR CLIMATE GOALS AT THE HEART OF DECISION-MAKING;
- GOVERNMENT LEADING THE WAY IN IMPROVING THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY OF ITS OWN ESTATE;
- A COMPREHENSIVE POLICY APPROACH TO RETROFITTING THE ISLAND'S HOUSING STOCK TO INCLUDE SUITABLE FINANCIAL SUPPORT THROUGH AVAILABILITY OF LOANS AND GRANTS; AND WORKING WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO ADDRESS SKILLS SHORTAGES;
- A COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORT POLICY;
- CONTINUED FOCUS ON SUPPORTING ENHANCED BIODIVERSITY AND PROMOTION OF OUR AGRICULTURAL SECTOR'S LOCAL PRODUCTION OF HIGH QUALITY FOOD.



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# A HOUSING POLICY TO MEET OUR NEEDS



Our approach to housing policy must address the diverse and changing needs of people whether that is their vulnerability or need for support, or issues of affordability and availability.

The 2016 Census showed that our population had declined and housing need projections set out in the Island's Strategic Plan were too high. Housing demand is, however, currently such that there is pressure on availability and affordability. At the same time, we have a large number of vacant properties and a number of undeveloped brownfield sites, particularly in Douglas.

Housing availability is a critical part of attracting our young people, key workers and other economically active people to take up employment in our Island. We have an ageing population and very limited high-quality retirement living options for those who may wish to downsize or may need Extra Care accommodation. We also have vulnerable individuals who need access to better, affordable housing, as well as there being a need for emergency housing provision.



## THERE IS A PRESSING NEED FOR A COMPREHENSIVE AND COHERENT HOUSING POLICY, WHICH I BELIEVE SHOULD:

- COVER ALL TYPES OF HOUSING AND NEED;
- INCLUDE CRITERIA THAT SUPPORTS FAIR AND APPROPRIATE ACCESS TO SOCIAL HOUSING;
- SEPARATE OPERATIONAL DELIVERY OF HOUSING PROVISION FROM POLICY AND REGULATION;
- CONSIDER THE BEST MODEL FOR DELIVERY, SUCH AS AN ARM'S LENGTH NOT FOR PROFIT HOUSING ASSOCIATION;
- INTRODUCE MORE EFFECTIVE HELP TO BUY SCHEMES TO ENABLE MORE PEOPLE TO ACHIEVE THEIR AMBITION OF OWNING THEIR OWN HOME;
- ALIGN WITH WORK BY THE MANX DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO DRIVE HIGH QUALITY DEVELOPMENT ON BROWNFIELD SITES AND VACANT PROPERTIES;
- ALIGN WITH OUR CLIMATE CHANGE POLICY APPROACHES.

# GOVERNMENT

## DELIVERING VALUE FOR MONEY

Effective, accountable Government is required if we are to be able to deliver better results whether in terms of public services or infrastructure projects.



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## I WOULD SUPPORT:

- A MORE TARGETED PROGRAMME FOR GOVERNMENT THAT DEFINES THE ISLAND'S KEY STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND SETS OUT ASSOCIATED ACTIONS AND TIMESCALES TO IMPROVE ACCOUNTABILITY;
- IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SEPARATION OF POLICY AND REGULATION FROM THE OPERATIONAL DAY TO DAY PROVISION OF SERVICES, INCLUDING, WHERE APPROPRIATE, PROVISION BY ARM'S LENGTH BODIES;
- A CENTRAL CAPITAL PROJECTS UNIT ABLE TO ACCESS RELEVANT EXPERTISE TO PLAN AND OVERSEE COMPLEX INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS;
- MORE JOINED UP WORKING BOTH ACROSS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND IN COLLABORATION WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND THIRD SECTOR;
- BUDGET REFORM TO ALIGN SPENDING WITH PRIORITIES AND DEFINED RESULTS;
- SMARTER WORKING INCLUDING CONTINUED DIGITISATION, REMOTE AND FLEXIBLE WORKING AND CONSIDERATION OF MORE LOCAL COMMUNITY DELIVERY OF SERVICES IF THE FEEDBACK FROM THE CURRENT COMMUNITY HUB PILOT SUPPORTS THIS;
- ROBUST SCRUTINY OF GOVERNMENT POLICY AND RESULTS THROUGH THE TYNWALD STANDING POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEES, AND OF VALUE FOR MONEY BY THE AUDITOR GENERAL (ONCE APPOINTED) AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

A focus on continuous improvement of culture across the public service is also important to promote morale and high performance. Politicians have a part to play in leading by example.



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# EDUCATION

Education is an important part of our investment in our future.



## I WOULD SUPPORT:

- AN INCREASE IN GOOD QUALITY EARLY YEARS PROVISION. IT IS WELL ESTABLISHED THAT A STRONG EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION WILL IMPROVE A CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT THROUGHOUT SCHOOL AND INTO ADULTHOOD. INCREASED PROVISION ALSO SUPPORTS PARENTS' ABILITY TO TAKE UP EMPLOYMENT;
- BETTER PROVISION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS IN CHILDCARE AND EDUCATION SETTINGS TO ENABLE THEM TO ACCESS EDUCATION AND FULFIL THEIR POTENTIAL;
- CREATING MORE SAFE ROUTES TO ENABLE CHILDREN TO WALK OR CYCLE TO SCHOOL;
- LIFELONG LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES THAT SUPPORT PEOPLE'S ABILITY TO RETRAIN AND ADAPT TO CHANGES IN THE ECONOMY AND JOB AVAILABILITY.

# TRAFFIC AND ROADS



Many of you have raised concerns about the roads, including volume of traffic, speed and the safety of more vulnerable road users, particularly pedestrians. Problems include near misses and children and their parents lacking confidence to allow children to walk and cycle to and from school.

## I WOULD SUPPORT:

- REVIEWING SPEED LIMITS AND BETTER ACTION TO ENFORCE LIMITS, PARTICULARLY IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS;
- PROVISION OF DEDICATED CROSSING POINTS WHERE PEDESTRIANS STILL FIND IT DIFFICULT TO CROSS BUSY MAIN ROADS;
- SAFETY MEASURES AT JUNCTIONS WHERE THE HERITAGE TRAIL CROSSES A ROAD;
- ENCOURAGEMENT ACROSS GOVERNMENT OF INCREASED FLEXIBLE AND REMOTE WORKING TO REDUCE VOLUMES OF TRAFFIC.

# COMMUNITY

## SAFE, INCLUSIVE AND CARING



The Island remains a very safe and welcoming place. We must not take this for granted. We have seen an increase in the risks from organised criminals and their exploitation of particularly our young and more vulnerable people. This, and the damaging impact caused to individuals and wider society from the drugs trade, need to be addressed. I thus support the review into our approach to drugs.



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## I WOULD SUPPORT:

- FUNDING OUR POLICE FORCE TO ATTRACT AND RETAIN SUFFICIENT OFFICERS TO MEET OUR NEEDS;
- WORK TO DIVERT YOUNG PEOPLE AWAY FROM CRIME THROUGH AN EFFECTIVE YOUTH JUSTICE SERVICE;
- SUPPORT FOR ADDICTS TO BECOME REHABILITATED;
- DEVELOPMENT OF POLICY, FOLLOWING REVIEW OF OUR APPROACH TO DRUGS, TO REDUCE THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC HARMS CAUSED BY DRUGS.

Implementation of the Equality Act 2017 was a milestone for the Island. It is important that consideration of accessibility and equality are taken into account in Government policy-making and service delivery so we really do meet people's needs.

Many of us will have experienced first-hand the care provided by health and care professionals who have moved to the Island from around the world. I believe maintaining an open and inclusive society is important to continue to attract people to live and work here and to ensure everyone feels welcome, safe and at home. Our community spirit is a strength we can build on to achieve this.

# JANE POOLE-WILSON

## ABOUT

I am Manx born and have lived in Glen Vine for 15 years with my husband and sons. I care strongly about our people, community and environment.



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## MY TRACK RECORD OF VOLUNTARY PUBLIC SERVICE INCLUDES:

- CHAIR OF TRUSTEES OF ST CHRISTOPHER'S IOM (PROVIDING CARE FOR LOOKED AFTER YOUNG PEOPLE)
- PARENT GOVERNOR OF MAROWN PRIMARY SCHOOL
- BEAVER SCOUT LEADER OF 1ST MAROWN SCOUTS
- CO-ORDINATING A RESIDENTS' RESPONSE TO THE FIRST STAGE OF THE AREA PLAN FOR THE EAST
- TRUSTEE AND DIRECTOR OF ISLE OF PRIDE.

Educated at Ballakermeen High School and Oxford University, I qualified as a solicitor, specialising in employment law.

As a Member of the Legislative Council since May 2017, I have made full use of my professional background in undertaking a range of Parliamentary and Government roles. I would draw on that and my wider experience and skills to work hard, with integrity and enthusiasm, for our community and Island, if elected to represent Middle.

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 Jane Poole-Wilson for Middle

# MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT

The constituency of Middle is represented by two Members of the House of Keys.

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## MAROWN

Crosby Methodist Church Hall, Old Church Road, Crosby



## NORTH BRADDAN

Memorial Hall, Main Road, Union Mills



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