

RAY HARMER

Stronger Together



Profile

Having attained an Engineering degree at Cambridge University and later an MBA with the Open University, I have worked in business on the Isle of Man for over 20 years. This has included responsibility for setting up offices worldwide and implementing systems and processes to enable companies to expand and become more efficient. I was elected a Peel commissioner in 2009 and have served as Chairman four times. It is a privilege to serve the people of Peel, bringing people together to make things better, such as creating a new playground at Clothworkers School, regenerating areas of the town such as Marine Parade, improving Commissioner Housing, providing more recycling sites, harrowing the beach, reducing costs, and offering free library membership, free WIFI around town and free tennis courts. Being involved in local life is very important to me; I am Treasurer of Peel Heritage Trust, a member of Peel Golf Club and Western Athletics. More widely, I support the Manx Wildlife Trust and Manx National Heritage. I enjoy running and have completed the London and Paris marathons for charity. I play saxophone with the Manx Saxophone Ensemble and have entered the Parish Walk, finishing at Peel several times and completing it twice. I am married to Adele and have a son Nathan studying at QE2.

Building a Brighter Future Together

I am delighted to announce that I will be standing for election as MHK for the Peel constituency in the forthcoming by-election.

My priorities include:

- Expand existing potential in Peel. Build on Peel's art and cultural heritage. Develop niche businesses and make better use of the food park.
- Empower local people by government supporting community projects, promoting ground up policies and decentralising power.
- Care for the vulnerable - support legislation for credit unions, increase the personal income tax threshold to help working families. Modernise the disability laws.
- Ensure our infrastructure in Peel meets the needs of our community.
- Build a covered sewage treatment plant to meet current European standards with the ultimate aim of a blue flag for Peel beach.
- Grow the Island economy by targeting new markets in Asia and in IT services. Encourage more links between business and education to develop relevant skills.
- Support small businesses and encourage start-ups
- Invest in frontline services such as police, health and education.
- Integrate social and health care for the elderly.
- Reduce the size of government, whilst maintaining efficiency.
- Move to flexible and fully funded pensions, MHKs leading the way.
- Protect and invest in travel and communications to and from the Island.
- Be open and always ready to listen through surgeries, newsletters and the website.

My belief is that the way forward is working together to achieve what is best for Peel and for our Island.

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RAY HARMER YOUR CANDIDATE FOR PEEL

HOUSE OF KEYS BY-ELECTION

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