



General Election 22nd September 2016

VOTE **GEOFFREY BOOT** FOR GLENFABA & PEEL

Dear Elector

My Manifesto for Positive Change

Please find enclosed my Manifesto for Positive Change. I would like to start by apologising that you only have one manifesto per household, this is in the interest of economy and the environment. The economies required in Tynwald should start at home!

The new enlarged Glenfaba and Peel constituency has been a canvassing challenge. I have endeavoured to knock on nearly every door. Sadly access to apartment blocks has been very difficult, if I've missed you I apologise but it's proved impossible in most cases to visit twice. I have also canvassed on midweek days as well as weekends to ensure complete coverage.

I sincerely hope that having read my previous newsletters, possibly spoken with me on the doorstep and now looked at my manifesto, you will be able to support me.

Time has passed very quickly during the past year that I was Glenfaba's MHK. I have kept my commitment to communicate as well as respond quickly to problems that have presented, and recognise that I am not able to solve every issue. As well as normal parliamentary duties, I have held two department posts and sat on two select committees. I believe that I now have the experience I need to enable me to make a real difference and be effective as your MHK for the next five years.

Thank you in advance and I really hope that my next communication with you will be as one of the two MHKs for the new constituency of Glenfaba and Peel.

On the reverse you will find a short concise quick to read resume of my vision.

The top of this letter can be folded to form a small poster/sticker. Should you feel able to support me and are able to display one of these in your window or your car prior to the election, it would be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Geoffrey Boot
Prospective MHK for Glenfaba & Peel

**If you need a lift to the polling station
please telephone and this can be
arranged.**



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Your Views Count



In short – My Positive Vision for the future



Full employment with more private sector jobs replacing those in the public sector.

Opportunities for young people. Protection for the vulnerable.

Proper local engagement: use social media, newsletters, consultation, joined up Government, working with the Local Commissioners.

Economy

◆ Encourage new interest and ideas that grow our economy which pays for all the good things we want - we need a larger tax base.

Health provision

- ◆ Support on-island health care and expertise wherever possible.
- ◆ Reduce waiting lists.
- ◆ Resist so-called efficiency savings that do not stack up.
- ◆ Ensure proper consultation before changes are made.
- ◆ Reduce reliance on locum staff.

Education

- ◆ No to adopting UK education policy per se.
- ◆ Work with teachers to provide a system that addresses our present and future requirements and aspirations, not those of a distant UK government. Better preschool provision.

Policing

◆ Ensure proper manning levels so that we don't slip into the UK Laissez-faire attitude to minor crime e.g. speeding etc.

Immigration

◆ Continue protection for the island workforce without inhibiting economic growth, using the present work permit legislation. Benefits restricted to those that have worked for them.

Housing provision

- ◆ A fairer planning system with more democracy and transparency, particularly at local level.
- ◆ Address local needs with particular emphasis on affordable housing and provision for older people.
- ◆ Ensure we have local nomination rights to Social Housing.

Government

- ◆ Stop regulation and legislation creep from the UK or EU.
- ◆ Seize opportunities as a result of Brexit. Manx solutions to Manx problems.
- ◆ Support changes made in rationalisation of departments.
- ◆ More transparency.
- ◆ Control the impact of Health & Safety regulation.

Agricultural

◆ Work with farmers to bring back some certainty to the system that will enable young people to continue farming, preserve our landscape and provide viability for our meat processing facilities (exploit post Brexit opportunities).

Environment

- ◆ A planning policy that reflects our population's requirements and aspirations.
- ◆ Support green initiatives where they bring real benefits and not perceptions to the Isle of Man.

Future government expenditure

- ◆ Pay close attention to and scrutinise large capital projects better. We simply cannot afford to go on making the mistakes of the past.
- ◆ Press for a proper appraisal of what impact leaving the present VAT agreement with the UK would have post Brexit. Then make appropriate decisions as to various degrees of independence.

Transport and/or roads

- ◆ Get our local roads repaired.
- ◆ Review and promote road safety and appropriate traffic calming and speed limits where necessary.
- ◆ Work with public transport to ensure timetables and destinations meet with people's needs.
- ◆ Be tougher on fuel prices - find out why we pay more.
- ◆ Progress with the Steam Packets new user agreement and landing stage proposal in Liverpool.

Tourism

◆ Support better promotion of the Isle of Man as a tourist destination — we have a good story to tell.

Government reform

◆ At local government level once again consult, and think very carefully about, any proposed changes or amalgamation that will simply lead to a larger bureaucracy and more expense for ratepayers.

Constitutional reform

◆ Support changes to the Legislative Council and the way Tynwald functions.

Time for positive change. Manx solutions to Manx problems