

Strong Economy ♦ Honest Government ♦ Protected Island



VOTE KIRRIE JENKINS



for Arbory, Castletown & Malew
on Thursday 24th September 2026

*"We must do better for future
generations"*

A LITTLE ABOUT ME

I am standing as an independent candidate in the General Election because I believe the Isle of Man needs practical, responsible and honest leadership.

Born and raised on the Island, and a member of one of the oldest Manx families, the Costains, I built a career in the finance sector, working across several jurisdictions. I'm married and we have two children, both at University.



Kirrie Jenkins

I bring to the role strategic thinking, entrepreneurial problem-solving and a willingness to challenge conventional approaches, along with sound financial management and scrutiny skills.

I have served as an Arbory & Rushen Parish Commissioner since 2021, including two years as Chair, and have experience as a director and trustee of both local businesses and an international charity. Through these roles I have worked closely with Government, island-wide local authorities, businesses, charities and community organisations, as well as residents from all walks of life. This has given me a broad understanding of the challenges facing our communities and the importance of listening, working collaboratively and delivering results.

I am not standing simply to identify problems.

I want to find practical solutions, challenge bureaucracy where it no longer works and make sure taxpayers get value for money.

1. STRONG ECONOMY



Growth, Jobs and Opportunities



We need to grow our economy — and get Government finances under control.

I do not believe the answer to every financial problem is to raise taxes - before asking people for more, Government must demonstrate that it is using the money it already receives effectively.

We need a clearer economic focus, working with businesses to identify where the Isle of Man can genuinely compete. I will support traditional and emerging industries alongside apprenticeships, skills and opportunities for young people. When a significant business leaves the Island, **Government should ask why — and learn from the answer.**

The island has suffered economic contraction with job losses in key sectors, and growth is being held back by slow decision making, regulatory friction and a lack of clear economic focus.

I would support an **Emerging Sector Review** to identify new industries where the Island could develop a genuine competitive advantage, assess the opportunities and risks, and determine what skills, regulation and infrastructure are needed to support them.



Connectivity is an economic issue, unreliable connections deters investors, talent and businesses and creates barriers for residents. I would support a review of our harbour strategy and both Sea and Air services, with the aim of providing the reliable connections a successful economy needs.



Securing Our Future



A strong economy is what pays for good public services and provides the foundation for secure pensions and sustainable health and social care.

The current growth in health spending cannot continue unchecked. We need to know **what services cost, what outcomes they achieve and whether they can be delivered more effectively.**

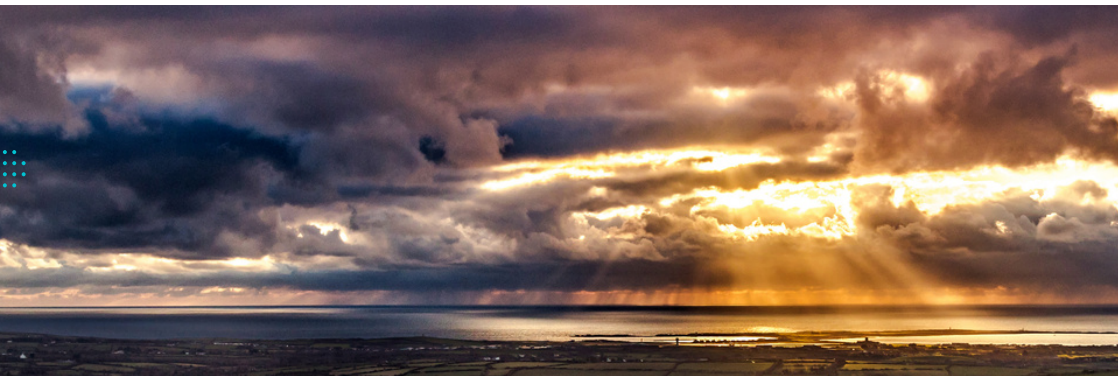
I will support better integration between health and social care so people can receive the right care, in the right setting, at the right time, while ensuring sufficient hospital capacity for those who need it.

I will also be prepared to examine whether Manx Care is delivering the efficiency and accountability it was intended to provide. If a structure isn't working, we should be prepared to change it.

We must protect pensions for today's pensioners while making sure the system remains sustainable for future generations.

The long-term pressure on the Manx National Insurance Fund cannot continue to be put off. I will support an evidence-based review of pensions and the sustainability of the NI Fund.

I will support the establishment of a **dedicated Older People's Champion** to ensure their voices are heard and their interests are represented.



2. PROTECTED ISLAND

We must protect what makes the Isle of Man special.

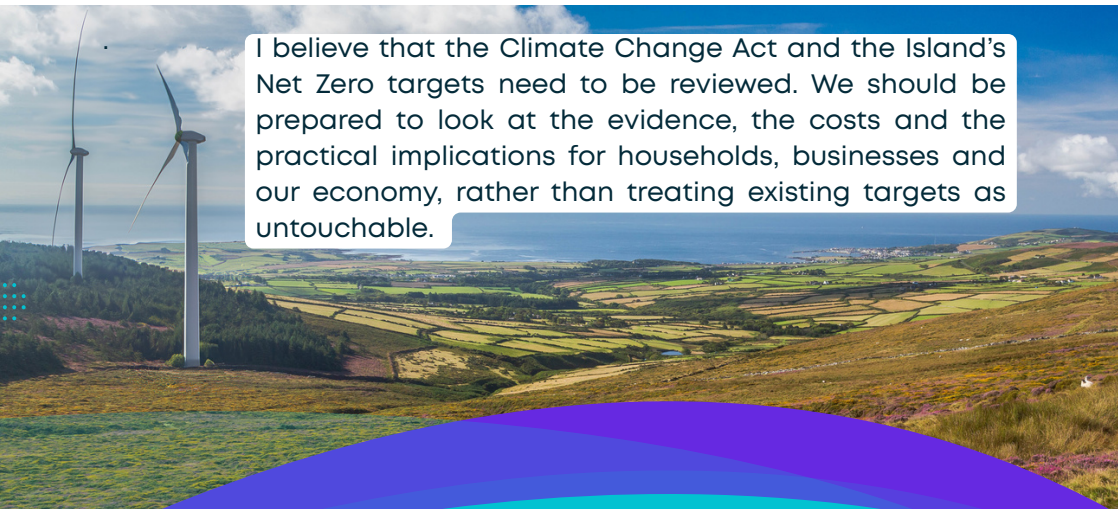
Our countryside, coastline, environment, heritage and communities are part of what makes the Isle of Man unique. I believe we can support economic development while protecting the character and quality of life that makes the Island a great place to live.

That means taking a long-term view of how we use our land and sea, how we generate energy, how we protect our natural environment and how we preserve our culture.

Cair Vie - Onshore Wind Turbines

I remain opposed to the creation of an industrial zone for large scale onshore wind turbines at Earystane & Scard. I helped establish the opposition to the proposed project and have continued to work with those affected.

Our energy strategy should be designed around what is actually best for the Island, not one forced to fit around an unrealistic timetable. Distributed solar, more efficient generation, new turbine technologies and emerging fuels are just some of the options coming forward.



I believe that the Climate Change Act and the Island's Net Zero targets need to be reviewed. We should be prepared to look at the evidence, the costs and the practical implications for households, businesses and our economy, rather than treating existing targets as untouchable.



Planning and Infrastructure



Planning should protect our environment and communities while allowing sensible development; but equally important is getting the basics right – maintaining our roads, public buildings and essential infrastructure.

I will support:

- better infrastructure planning alongside new development;
- regular review of planning processes to remove unnecessary delay and bureaucracy.

I will advocate for the Isle of Man to meet its international legal obligations on biodiversity, habitats and environmental protection.

I will champion proposals for a **National Park** covering the Manx uplands – working with stakeholders to establish a practical framework for protecting our precious landscapes and benefiting tourism, agriculture and the visitor economy.

Housing policy must be about people, not just houses.

We need to make housing a priority to help ensure people can access the right housing at the right stage of their lives whilst building a more sustainable and secure housing system for the Island. We should explore innovative ways to make better use of existing Government buildings and land, including opportunities to use ground rents to support long-term housing provision.





Education



Career and Technical education should have a stronger place alongside traditional academic pathways, with hands-on, job-ready skills for young people better suited to this route.

Strong education starts in primary school. I want children to arrive at secondary school with the best possible foundations, with difficulties identified early and appropriate support and coping strategies in place before problems become entrenched.

I have already campaigned for safer walking routes and better parking at Arbory Primary School, which my own children attended, and I will continue to work to find a practical solution.

I will support delivery of the new **Castle Rushen High School** and the associated **Southern Sports Hub**. As a Board member of the Southern Swimming Pool, I remain deeply committed to the future of the Pool, it is a vital facility for families, schools, and residents across the South.



Mental Health & Carers



Mental health support should be available **before someone reaches crisis**. I will support earlier intervention, community-based support, suicide prevention and better links between schools, healthcare and voluntary organisations.

Carers provide an essential service to families and the Island. I will support better recognition of their contribution, access to information and advice, respite opportunities and support for young carers.

» Food Security



Agriculture is part of my own heritage having grown up at Moorhouse Farm in Colby. A thriving agricultural and fishing industry is essential to our **food security**, our rural communities and our cultural identity. I will support:

- Development of a **long-term agricultural strategy** rather than short-term schemes and changing priorities, with better protection of productive agricultural land.
- An assessment of the introduction of a **Road Equivalent Tariff** for essential freight services.
- Strengthening resilience for local processing infrastructure and creating better opportunities for Manx produce through **public procurement** and **export initiatives**.

» Heritage



Heritage should be **protected** and **promoted**, not simply treated as a cost. I will support a joined-up approach to heritage, linking conservation with tourism, local businesses, events and the wider economy.

I will also press for sustainable funding for **Manx National Heritage**, recognising the national value of the assets it looks after.





Immigration & Population



I support a controlled and planned approach to immigration and retention of work permits. The Island needs people with skills our economy requires, but population growth cannot be considered separately from:



housing • healthcare • education • infrastructure • public finances

I will support better workforce planning, investment in local skills and apprenticeships, and attracting the people we genuinely need to fill gaps in our workforce.

Population growth should support a successful economy — it should not be an objective in itself.



Policing & Safer Communities



People should feel safe in their homes and communities.

I will support:

- sensible controls at our ports of entry;
- visible and effective community policing;
- action against antisocial behaviour;
- early intervention with young people;
- and rehabilitation alongside appropriate enforcement.



3. HONEST GOVERNMENT

Government should work for the people — not the other way around.

I want a more open and accountable government. Decisions backed by evidence, major projects independently scrutinised and Ministers held properly accountable for performance. The public deserve clear explanations, not spin.

A Smaller, Smarter Government

Not every problem requires another Government department, employee or layer of bureaucracy.

I will support a review asking:

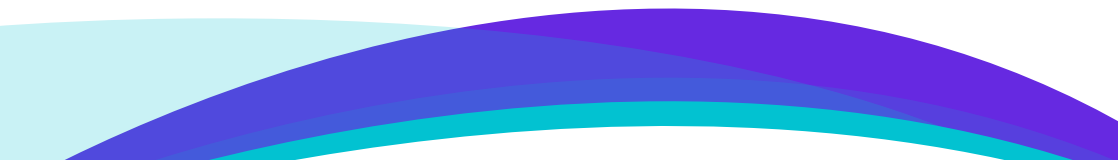
- Does Government need to do this?
- Is somebody else already doing it?
- Can technology do it better?
- Could the private or third sector deliver it more effectively?
- What does it cost?
- What outcome does it produce?

This isn't about cutting frontline services.

It is about **removing unnecessary bureaucracy** and putting resources where they make the greatest difference.

Test New Ideas

Government must become better at innovation. I would support a **Government Innovation Lab** to test new approaches to problems such as homelessness, addiction, education and mental health.





How to Vote



If I haven't managed to meet you during my campaigning across the Constituency but you would like the opportunity to talk to me, please phone, text or email so we can arrange a suitable time.

Election Day is **THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2026**

You can vote:

IN PERSON

Polling stations will be open from **8am to 8pm**.

If you have difficulty in travelling to a polling station on Election Day, please make contact with me to arrange transportation.

BY POST

You can request a form by contacting the Crown & Elections Unit
+44 1624 685754 or **elections@gov.im**

Deadlines:

- 1 September — if voting from outside the British Isles
- 10 September — if voting from elsewhere in the British Isles
- 16 September — if voting from the Isle of Man

BY PROXY

The deadline for proxy applications is:
Wednesday 23 September 2026 — 5pm





Please Use Your Vote



The Isle of Man stands at a defining moment - families are priced out of housing, elderly neighbours worry about care, businesses face economic pressure, our environment is under threat, and trust in government is low.

This election cannot be about greed, dependency, or divisions. It must be about love of our Island community, fairness and compassion, protecting our land and culture, and building a just society where no one is left behind.

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I would be honoured to receive one of your two votes.

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