

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS ELECTION (NORTH WARD)**

**POLLING DAY**

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**THURSDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2008**

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**JANETTE (JAN) FERGUSON**

**POLLING STATION – RAMSEY TOWN HALL 8.00AM – 8.00PM**

Dear Voter

My name is Jan Ferguson and I have lived in Ramsey since 1988. My two daughters were educated at Auldyn Infants, Albert Road and RGS.

I have served on the Board of Ramsey Commissioners since 2006, I have been Deputy Lead Member for Works & Development and Housing, I also represent the Commissioners on the Committee of the Northern Neighbourhood Policing Team.

**RAMSEY'S GROWTH**

Growth throughout Ramsey continues, but unfortunately sometimes at too slow a pace. Ramsey needs support from Central Government to energise this growth. We need to centralise our transport system allowing more parking in the town. The ongoing saga of the Queen's Pier, what a disgrace - the money spent by Government on investigations and surveys over the past years could have been used to restore it to its former glory. I will continue to push to make these people see sense. I fully support the proposal for a Marina for Ramsey and would urge the Government to move forward with this as soon as possible.

**YOUTH & COMMUNITY FACILITIES**

Whilst Ramsey Youth Centre, the Shed and the facilities at the new infant school provide great services for our young people, there is still room for improvement. I had hoped that the new swimming pool would have incorporated a full community centre servicing all age groups; but this was not to be. However with the support of the people of Ramsey we just might see the old swimming pool housing such facilities.

## HOUSING

The availability of affordable housing, particularly for our young people, is a major concern for me. Those who I have spoken to work hard and express a real desire to live in Ramsey but find that they just cannot afford that first step onto the property ladder. There is still a lot that needs to be done to ensure that first time buyers can purchase property within the town.

I am pleased to see the redevelopment of Lezayre Housing Estate coming along, this has been a long process but well worth the wait. We continue to update our existing housing stock in Ramsey, with the installation of new windows and doors and improved insulation.

## SOCIAL

I stand firmly with the opinion that more needs to be done in Ramsey to reduce problems with underage drinking and drug use. I fully support the Northern Neighbourhood Policing Team in combating these issues.

You may remember that I was very outspoken against the siting of the Civic Amenity Site at Gardeners Lane and with the support of the local residents we were able to influence the decision to move it elsewhere.

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**I would like to thank you for reading my views and comments, if you wish to discuss any of the issues I have raised please do not hesitate to call me on 07624 439311.**

**I would ask for your vote on 24<sup>th</sup> April so that I may continue to represent and support all the residents of Ramsey.**

**If you need transport to the Polling Station, please call me on the run-up to or on the day.**

## **THANK YOU**

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