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# Nigel Malpass

*Bringing politics back to the people*



A Liberal Vannin Party Candidate

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## *Why I'm standing as a Liberal Vannin Party Candidate*

For over 18 months I have become very aware that the people of Ramsey are seeking local authority commissioners who are willing and able to resuscitate life back into the town. We live in somewhat difficult and fast changing times that I believe will need Commissioners that collectively have the skills and determination to deal with these issues properly. I believe that collective common sense applied with local understanding will bring about the required change in our community.

Having lived and worked in Ramsey for 20 years I believe that I have that local understanding. For over ten of those years I was the Managing Director of an Isle of Man based International group of companies dealing daily with both local and global issues. This I believe has given me the skills to be an effective member of Ramsey town commissioners. Being part of the Liberal Vannin party gives voice to the fact that we are a caring party and recognise the fact that everyone isn't as fortunate as others. Whilst promoting good initiatives for the benefit of all, we also believe that our society needs to protect and help those that are vulnerable.

If elected I can promise to work with all my fellow Commissioners in seeking what is best for Ramsey and the good of the people who live here. Ramsey has a proud past and deserves a brilliant future. Please help to achieve that aim by voting for me on April 24th.

*Nigel Malpass*



Peter Karran, MHK  
Leader of the  
Liberal Vannin Party

*'There are few who have impressed me as much in recent years as Nigel Malpass. He has great integrity and intelligence and with all his ability I was disappointed when he wasn't elected to the House of Keys in 2006.*

*I am delighted that Nigel is now standing for Ramsey Town Commissioners. I unreservedly and wholeheartedly support his endeavours'.*

Ramsey North Ward Election  
24th April 2008

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*Dear Voter,*

The last few years have seen a remarkable change in the quality of life for those living in Ramsey, much for the good but sadly quite a lot to the bad. Walk down Parliament Street and count the number of vacant shops to see what I mean.

As the globalisation of our society continues to gather pace then I believe that those fortunate enough to be elected to Ramsey Town Commissioners on the 24th of April will need to have local issues to the forefront, but keep in mind the impact that international events will have on our township. The continued fall out from sub-prime lending in the U.S. being a good example and how this could increase the cost of borrowing money for capital projects.

To illustrate the point further then I could do no better than quote from the Department of Local Government and the Environment's recently published pamphlet on 'Commissioner's Responsibilities'.

They define a Commissioner's function as being someone that acts together with the other elected members as a corporate body in setting the rate for their local district in order to fund and provide the level of services required. In addition to that corporate responsibility Commissioner's are also legally mandated to work with and assist central Government in areas of shared responsibility.

As I walk around the ward delivering my pamphlet I hope to meet as many of you as possible and hear what you have to say about Ramsey and its future needs. Please stop me and have a chat if there is something you would like to talk about.

Do you feel as I do that more needs to be done on local employment, revitalising the town and many community issues in order to take proper advantage of the assets and the undoubted talent that resides within our boundaries?

If you have any particular points you would like to discuss, or if you would like to make an appointment for me to call around then please don't hesitate to contact me.

*Nigel Malpass*

## *Issues I intend to tackle*

### *Education and Training in all its aspects:-*

Actively work with and within this sector in order to ensure that Ramsey has facilities second to none and at the same time ensure that such facilities are readily available to all those that wish to take advantage. It is important that the Commissioners work with all sectors of Government on issues affecting our district and none more so than for our children and their education. Our future will at some point be in their hands.

### *Finances: Income and Expenditure:-*

Actively work with everyone involved in this area ensuring that the monies collected for Ramsey by way of the rates and rent are economically and efficiently spent for the benefit of all who live within its boundary. This after all is one of the primary responsibilities and functions of an elected Commissioner.

### *Health and Safety:-*

Actively support any initiatives that will ensure the continued and enhanced presence of a first rate paramedic team based in Ramsey. This is in order to deploy a quick first class emergency response, making sure that the vulnerable such as children and elderly alike are fully covered.

### *History and Heritage:-*

Actively support and promote Ramsey's historical heritage to enhance its reputation and increase the desirability of visitors to come and see for themselves. If after decommissioning the "Old" swimming pool it is found suitable to be converted into a multi purpose or sports centre then I would want to assist and support this initiative in all the ways possible. Both the Queens's pier and a Marina in their many and varied forms have been proposed, discussed and argued about for decades. Let common sense prevail and sensible solutions agreed. Ramsey has so much unrealised potential so now is the time to support those initiatives that will be of benefit to one and all.

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### *Houses and Housing:-*

Actively work towards better housing giving for example support to those that wish to upgrade their existing structures within the existing regulations as may apply. Consolidate on the good work achieved by the Commissioners over the last few years in taking initiatives forward and of course continue to protect the vulnerable in our society. Affordable housing is a subject talked about by many and as such Ramsey needs to continue looking towards initiatives that will eradicate this problem.

### *Police & Policing:-*

Actively work with the local police force and other involved organisations in order to keep our homes and streets safe for everyone. As a Commissioner there is a need to be especially vigilant on behalf of the vulnerable members of our society. To this end we need to support the local police in every way we can in helping to create a safe and secure environment for everyone.

### *Tourism and Trade:-*

Actively promote and seek out initiatives that will bring about local improvements in order to make Ramsey more attractive to residents and visitors alike. A good example of this would be to recapture the sparkle that Ramsey and Parliament Street had some 20 years ago. Such ideas could include an initiative to help create a register of good quality bed and breakfast accommodation plus one for private house holders wishing to engage in long term lets. This along with all other relevant information could be on a special "one stop" Ramsey website that local's and visitors automatically turn to when thinking about Ramsey and the Isle of Man. We have so many attractions both old and new but they are in need of collective promotion.

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