

## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Elis Bebb

Date: 23 September 2020

Consent:

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## Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	Agree			The States have frequently talked of the need to improve working with charities, but they lack the commitment to work with faith communities in a similar manner, despite the evidence of the benefits this would derive.
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	Agree			The policy letter on this was poorly drafter, consultation was negligible and the debate was lacking evidence.
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	Agree			I believe this should start with the appointment of a palliative care consultant to lead the palliative care team
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	Agree			If we are generous then God is generous to us. We cannot resolve our issue by removing our commitment to assisting the poorest in the world.

Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	Agree			I would add that it could be adopted as a model for other collaborative work.
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	Agree			Great advances have been made to improve in work poverty, but we cannot rest on this and it will always need revision to continually seek to remove the poverty traps the system creates.
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	Agree			Too many children are unaware of the great heritage they inherit and its fundamental roots in Christian thought and living.
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.		Disagree		This is a challenging target, but to seek earlier adoption would likely result in detrimental economic policies. In turn, they will likely damage the poorest most.

## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	Taking the example of Les Bourgs hospice, or Caring for Ex Offenders. I believe it would be for the States to commission certain areas of responsibility to be completed by the churches of the island. But this also requires the churches to consider what services we could offer our community and how we could deliver those services effectively.
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	It's difficult not to use the word abhorrent. One of my main reasons for standing is to see the implementation of the anti-discrimination legislation, particularly in relation to those with a disability. To imagine that we're seeking to assure the rights of those with a disability on the one hand, while removing their lives on the other, is illogical and immoral in my view.
End of Life Care (Please answer both questions a and b).	<p>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</p> <p>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</p>	<p>a) No I do not. There are so many reasons to oppose this, but for brevity I will list only one. In all the jurisdictions who have embarked upon this culture of death, not one has brought a prosecution against a doctor for malpractice. I cannot believe this to be the only area where doctors do not make mistakes and demonstrates the lack of protection afforded to anyone who considers euthanasia.</p> <p>b) Yes I am supportive of developing palliative care and to ensure an appropriate skills mix for our clinical teams</p>
Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform	Unfortunately I don't think I can support the expansion of Gift Aid at this time as we know tax revenues will be badly affected by the actions taken to tackle Covid 19. I am supportive of keeping it at the current levels.

	us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	In principle I am supportive of payroll giving, but would need to investigate it further for suggestions on its implementation.
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	I believe we need to review our benefits provision further, with the intention of removing the poverty traps that still exist. We also need to look at the cost of living here, with the greatest cost to most people being housing, and how we can improve the first time buyers market, partial ownership schemes and affordable rent to those on lower incomes. All of these should also be subject to appropriate standards for living
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	The first suggestion I would have is to make any subsidy reliant on following certain biodiversity enhancing practices. For instance, all dairy farmers rely on the States dairy, we should therefore make the subsidy reliant on them adopting farming practices that enhance biodiversity, such as hedge management and not mowing within a metre of the hedgerows.
Faith in schools	Do you support faith-based schools in the Island? <i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i> Please explain your reasons in your response.	Yes I'm very supportive of faith based schools and would like to see them continue and thrive.

### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
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Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	I believe this is an excellent way of engaging with the candidates during an election, to ensure the candidates are better informed of the vital role churches play within the fabric of our island. Unfortunately we're no longer an island where virtually all deputies are people of faith and engagement such as the evening is a positive move to advise them of the benefits faith brings to all.
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	<p>It was well organised and arranged. If I may suggest some enhancements. In other events, candidates are restricted to two per table, with the first two minutes given to the person holding that stall to expand on what they do and what they're expecting from the candidates. The candidates then have a minute each to answer or discuss further the issues raised.</p> <p>This would give a more structured format to the evening, allowing candidates to hear more of what the church community offers and allowing the churches to understand better the view of all candidates who attend.</p> <p>The GDA also rate all candidates on each table with a smily face system, from big smile to frown, and then collate this information and share the overall impression with all of its members. This is what gives candidates the buy in that they want to ensure that they're time is translated into votes. The results of this are never shared outside of the GDA membership, therefore I realise that this could be far more difficult to implement within the church's context.</p>

*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Chris Blin

Date: 21/9/2020

Consent:

I agree to my responses to this questionnaire, regarding matters of particular concern and interest to the faith community in Guernsey, being circulated to all Island churches for distribution to their congregations.

Signature: *(type name if form is being returned by email)* Chris Blin

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## Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	Y			
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	Y			
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	Y			
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	Y			
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	Y			



Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	Y			
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	Y			Including faiths not including at the meeting at Spurgeon
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	Y			

## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	This all comes via education and initiatives like PACE
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	Fundamentally I am against abortion and I don't feel that this is something I would be able to support.
End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</li> <li>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</li> </ul>	I do not support this in any way but do support palliative care and community support. I am aware that a lot of people who do lose the will to keep living is often through children left the nest and contact or just loneliness. I appreciate that there will be exceptions but I still do not support Assisted dying.

		Yes I do support having a specialist on Island for end of life care services especially with our increase in ageing population but ideally if this could be tied in with another role to reduce the cost of the professional.
Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	I would support this as long as the economic case works.
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	Besides community, social services and charity organisations the rest is really up to how our assembly will support and help poverty
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	That is a key part of my manifesto and there are many groups and eco-initiatives that the States should work with as well as support the States plans on bio diversity and climate change.

Faith in schools	<p>Do you support faith-based schools in the Island?</p> <p><i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i></p> <p>Please explain your reasons in your response.</p>	I support this but is a more complex issue now as the number of faiths is higher than the group we met at Spurgeon

### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	<u>Yes as this at least gives the respective churches guidance regarding candidates and their views and beliefs</u>
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	<u>I thought it was a good evening although it could have been a bit stricter on the timings to allow the candidates to get around to see all of the tables.</u>

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*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: SARAH BRETON

Date: 22.09.2020

Consent:

I agree to my responses to this questionnaire, regarding matters of particular concern and interest to the faith community in Guernsey, being circulated to all Island churches for distribution to their congregations.

Signature: *(type name if form is being returned by email)*

SARAH BRETON

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**Part 1**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	x			
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	x			But pre 12 weeks terminations should be advocated.
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	x			Social legislation across the board generally take too long to implement.
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	X			but should be matched for on island poverty/ third sector support, money in the pocket of less well off, generally goes back into the local economy

Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	x			Rehabilitation and support that reduces re offending is to be encouraged and supported.
Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	X			This will also improve the general and mental wellbeing and quality of life for this section of society.
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	X			This could only be a positive for the children and teaching staff.
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	X			Also the carbon data start date should be brought forward to 2020 data, which would not include the active Landfill data and majority on island electricity generating data.



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## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	A dedicated Deputy, meeting on a monthly basis before each States meeting, with faith sector and churches representatives.
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	NO, I could only support up to 24 weeks.

End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	<p>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</p> <p>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</p>	<p>YES, but not as an answer to end of life care, but the freedom of choice</p> <p>YES</p>
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Question</b>	<b>Response</b>
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	YES, would enable households on lower Income to be able to gift smaller amounts.
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	<p>More financial support for the 3<sup>rd</sup> sector.</p> <p>Better communication channels with the 3<sup>rd</sup> sector.</p> <p>More communicating and consideration with the third sector as regards to possible financial impacts on the less well off, from policy decisions.</p> <p>Reward for volunteering in the 3<sup>rd</sup> sector.</p>
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	By having a more flexible and sympathetic planning policy.

Faith in schools	<p>Do you support faith-based schools in the Island?</p> <p><i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i></p> <p>Please explain your reasons in your response.</p>	Yes, some children thrive better in a more nurturing environment.
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### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	<u>Absolutely, thank you for putting the event on for us.</u>
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	<u>Next time maybe have numbered tables moving in one direction from table to table with the same candidates each time.</u>

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Simon De La Mare

Date: 22 September

Consent:

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Simon De La Mare

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## Part 1

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Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	X			
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	X			
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	X			
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	X			
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public	X			

	sector working together for the good of the Island.				
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	X			
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	X			
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	X			

## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	We could see a regular discussion forum for church leaders set up, to get their views on topics that concern the faith sector on the island.
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	This is an area that concerns me greatly, as it suggests that disabled lives are worth less than non-disabled. I would seek to have this section of the legislation amended as soon as possible.
End of Life Care (Please answer both questions a and b).	a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?	No, I would not support the legalisation of assisted dying.  I would like to see greater investment in end of life care, with training for on-island medical professionals being a part of this approach.



	b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?	
Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	I do not know enough about this area to give an adequate response.
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	I would like to see more done to promote renewable energy produced on island and environmental considerations taken into account when States owned buildings come up for major refurbishments.

Faith in schools	<p>Do you support faith-based schools in the Island?</p> <p><i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i></p> <p>Please explain your reasons in your response.</p>	I respect the fact that there are faith based schools on the island, but am not sure how the States could support this further.
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### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	<u>Yes, I think that it is important for candidates to meet with a wide range of groups to ensure they hear the views of as many of the population as they can.</u>
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	<u>I was pleased with how the event was organised, and given the number of candidates in the election, I don't think this could have been done any better.</u>

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Adrian Dilcock

Date: 25<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Consent:

I agree to my responses to this questionnaire, regarding matters of particular concern and interest to the faith community in Guernsey, being circulated to all Island churches for distribution to their congregations.

Signature: *(type name if form is being returned by email)*

Adrian Dilcock

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## Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	Agree			The faith community has no less a part to play in island life than the Third Sector which the States currently actively engage with
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.			I would hope that States members fully understood what they were voting on	Personally I feel that as it is now possible for 54% of babies delivered at 22 weeks to both survive and develop normally that would have been a much better upper limit
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	Agree			It is also likely that the question of Assisted Dying will return for debate again in the future

Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	Agree			
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	Agree			
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	Agree			
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	Agree			Obviously in the interests of diversity other faiths should be given the opportunity as well

Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.			Neither Agree nor Disagree	The targets set out in the Climate Change Policy & Action Plan and the Energy Policy 2020 – 2050 i.e. 57%reduction by 2030 and complete elimination by 2050 are reasonable given the present level of scientific development. The mandatory periodic reporting regime should ensure that targets are met or hopefully exceeded
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## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
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Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	Not absolutely sure. I have the feeling that people of a secular disposition are uncomfortable with matters of faith as what goes on in churches and what is written in the Bible is sadly a bit of a mystery to a growing proportion of the community.
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	I will have to research this more. I would have thought that with modern ultrasound techniques and amniotic fluid tests 'significant abnormalities' could be detected far earlier now. Surely termination at delivery is not a termination but something much more sinister
End of Life Care (Please answer both questions a and b).	<p>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</p> <p>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including</p>	I would take Euthanasia to really be akin to the sort of decisions made by pseudo scientists in the 1930's and would be opposed to it. Assisted Dying is a more complex issue I can understand a person in terrible pain at the end of a terminal illness for example wishing that there suffering could end.



	facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?	Yes
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Question</b>	<b>Response</b>
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	I think the whole issue of gift aid and other deeds of covenant for example beneficial treatment of admissions to historic sites needs review
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	I have made no secret of the fact that if elected I would like to sit on Employment & Social Security. I feel that the contribution and benefits system needs rebasing to decrease contributions for the lower paid and increase the accrual rate for State (Old Age Pensions). I have many other things in mind such as the reduction of rates and charges for single widows and widowers occupying a home on their own.
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	Firstly by quantifying the problems. Then by educating people and finally by implanting change for example as regards planning applications

Faith in schools	<p>Do you support faith-based schools in the Island?</p> <p><i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i></p> <p>Please explain your reasons in your response.</p>	The first consideration would always have to be the standard of education provided to the pupils

### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	Yes I personally found it very helpful and informative
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	I thoroughly enjoyed the evening and found it very beneficial

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*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Mark Dorey

Date: 21 September 2020

Consent:

I agree to my responses to this questionnaire, regarding matters of particular concern and interest to the faith community in Guernsey, being circulated to all Island churches for distribution to their congregations.

Signature: *(type name if form is being returned by email)* Mark Dorey

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## Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	✓			
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	✓			
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	✓			
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	✓			Relative to the rest of the world we are an affluent island. Less affluent countries contribute more than we do. We cannot ignore our inadequate contributions compared to the UN target of 0.7% of GNP.
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	✓			

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	✓			
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	✓			I am a supporter of PACE.
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.		✓		2050 is a realistic target. If we can get there earlier that would be great. There is an interim target of reducing such emissions by 57% on 1990 levels by 2030. We have to take the population with us - a Citizen's Assembly is a good way of involving the community in the difficult decisions required.

## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	Initially some kind of liaison group to explore ideas.
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	I did not support the proposal at the end of the debate.
End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</li> <li>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</li> <li>c)</li> </ul>	No, I voted against the death with dignity proposals. I support developing end of life care (including palliative care) so that people do not have to suffer great pain.

Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	I believe that this should be fully investigated and a report brought to the States. This could significantly increase the funds raised by charities. Obviously, there is a cost to the States in lost income tax revenues due to the gift aid. However, some charities have service level agreements with the States and there is the opportunity for then to be better funded by widening Gift Aid.
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	Increases in the minimum wage will help to reduce in work poverty. The benefit limitation should continue to be regularly reviewed. Income support levels should also be regularly reviewed to ensure that we minimize relative poverty. There is a tax review underway and I am committed to supporting a system that recognises the need for fairness by not putting an undue burden on the lowest paid members of our island. I have consistently opposed and voted against a GST as it is regressive and affects the worse off in a community the most.
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	Develop the strategies and carry out the work streams identified in the strategy for nature.
Faith in schools	Do you support faith-based schools in the Island? <i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i> Please explain your reasons in your response.	Yes, they make a valuable contribution towards the education of the island's children



### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	Yes
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	Due to the time commitments of candidates a shorter time at each table would have been preferable. Also, more tables would have been better so there would be less candidates at each table.

*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Andrea Dudley-Owen

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

Consent:

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Signature: *(type name if form is being returned by email)*

ANDREA DUDLEY-OWEN

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## Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	✓			
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	✓			
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	✓			
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	✓			
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	✓			

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	✓			
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	✓			
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	✓			

## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	Treating the faith sector and churches as a key stakeholder in social policy formulation and implementation would help immensely to facilitate better consultation amongst more parts of our community. To ensure voices are heard and opinions can be counted amongst others to shape and apply policy.
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	I voted against this proposal during the recent debate to modernise Guernsey's Abortion Law. I felt that this was regressive and out of step with our society's values on equality. Ethically, I cannot support this change to the law.
End of Life Care (Please answer both questions a and b).	<p>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</p> <p>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</p>	<p>a) No. Whilst I understand the reasons why there are calls for the introduction of Assisted Dying, the ethical and technical difficulties are extremely complex to deliver. I was involved in the 2018 debate and it is a subject that needs much wider consultation and public engagement than it was given.</p> <p>b) Yes. I voted in favour of the resolution to review Palliative Care on-island and if re-elected will work to ensure this is delivered.</p>
Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform	My knowledge of this is not detailed and I understand that Payroll Giving can simplify the process because it enables direct donations to be paid from gross pay without the need for the Charities to

	us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	apply for Gift Aid tax relief. I would like to see more information about this to enhance my understanding.
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	Proposals brought forward in this last term were lacking supporting data. I would bring forward proposals worked up in collaboration with key relevant Charities who are specialists in working with families and individuals in poverty. A wrap-around programme of Family and Early Years support, Education and Healthcare together with Skills and work opportunities would be key to assisting reduction in poverty. In addition to reducing living costs and increasing social interaction for those in our community who have had their families and are no longer working.
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	A) Leading by example and demonstrating its commitment through its actions, B) working with specialist Charities and community groups to bring together the community to ensure that aims are well understood and how they can be met by individual and group actions C) bringing and emphasis to outdoor learning and activity to school work via the Big Picture Curriculum.
Faith in schools	Do you support faith-based schools in the Island? <i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i> Please explain your reasons in your response.	Yes I do. It is important that students are taught about faith because our cultural and societal values, as Christian-based values are rooted in faith. Enabling children to understand faith allows them to choose whether or not to bring faith into their lives. The knowledge of faith also enables them to respect that faith, or others, whether or not they chose to embrace it. Our culture and traditions are faith based. Including this as part of our children's education is essential in providing them with the understanding of an important part of their identity.

### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	Yes, I was very pleased that the Church amongst many other community groups invested the time and energy to engage with Candidates and to convey the relevance and importance of the role of the Church in our island life today.
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	Spurgeon is a beautiful place and the space was well – utilised. The set up was good, though a little cramped. It was good to have the bell as notice to move to a different table. It was nice to be provided with refreshments and to be welcomed with a cup of tea! In future elections, more notice of the event would be useful, but the circumstances this time didn't permit.

*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Simon Fairclough

Date: 21 September 2020

Consent:

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Signature: *Simon Fairclough*

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## Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	Agree			I don't know what the understanding and partnership is like now but I support this.
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	Agree			Following the evening you organised I now believe there was not enough engagement with the community on this issue. It shouldn't have been debated during the Covid-19 crisis.
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	Agree			
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	Agree			It should actually be increased. If we truly want to be part of the international community we must play our part.
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	Agree			Gained a valuable insight into this issue thanks to the evening you organised.

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	Agree			
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	Agree			
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	Agree			We need to be more ambitious and leading the way.

## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	I think there needs to be more support for the third sector generally. The States can't keep expecting it to do valuable work in the community without giving more financial support. I don't know if there is an interface between the faith sector and churches, and the States currently but more liaison should take place. Maybe regular meetings with Deputies should be arranged?
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	I have concerns about it and hope the issue is looked at once again – in perhaps a fairer way, before it becomes enshrined in law.
End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</li> <li>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) No</li> <li>b) Yes</li> </ul>

Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	Yes. The charitable sector needs all the support it can get at this time.
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	I think we should be clear that those living in the Bailiwick may be living in relative poverty rather than poverty. But we need to stop increasing taxes and charges for those on lower incomes before we do anything else. I would like to see what action has been taken by the States since their last debate on this. And it is in this area and at other times when States make decisions that I would like to see them publicly held to account.
		The Climate Change Action Plan and Strategy for Nature are a step in the right direction. But action (and spending) is now needed. It would be disappointing if these became yet more documents which simply sat on the shelf. Investment is needed to reverse the trend of habitat and species loss.
Faith in schools	Do you support faith-based schools in the Island? <i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i> Please explain your reasons in your response.	Yes. Young people should be given the opportunity to explore faith in general but also their own faith. And even if they don't develop this it helps them understand and respect others.

**Part 3**

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	<b>Yes</b>
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	It was time very well spent. I learned a lot from those I met. Ten minutes was a good amount of time, but I am led to believe it was less busy later in the evening when I arrived. This was perfect. Some events have simply been too busy with too many candidate and too little time.

*Thank you for your responses.*

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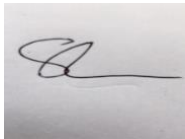
### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Steve Falla

Date: 21 September 2020

Consent:

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Signature:

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### Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	√			
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.			√	I am pro-life but I didn't hear this debate so I don't feel able to agree with the statement.
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	√			
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	√			
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public	√			



	sector working together for the good of the Island.				
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	√			
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	√			
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	√			I fail to see how Jersey can commit to 2030 and we went for 2050. Environmental impact should be a consideration with every single policy presented to the Assembly going forward in addition to specific environmental strategies.

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## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	I would like the new States to listen at least as much as it speaks with many sectors of the community – business, third sector and, yes, faith. This will require some creativity but, if successful, I would seek to be a communication and engagement champion within the Assembly.
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this	I am extremely uneasy about this and I was also unaware of it. It seems to have slipped under the radar during Covid-19.

	could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	
End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	<p>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</p> <p>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</p>	No, I am very uncomfortable with a) due to too many grey areas; b) my support would be towards investing in palliative care.
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Question</b>	<b>Response</b>
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	Guernsey's community is broadly generous in giving to charity, particularly local charity and I believe that such a step would receive broad support from islanders.
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	I find this very challenging but I have stated in my manifesto that I would like to do all I can to see that all islanders have fair access to what they need.

Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	It must be a consideration when debating all new policies.
Faith in schools	<p>Do you support faith-based schools in the Island?</p> <p><i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i></p> <p>Please explain your reasons in your response.</p>	I am a director of Elizabeth College which is founded on a Christian ethos. I'm not sure that faith-based schools are the answer, so much as schools that are open to encouraging Christian values.

### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	As a Christian I feel slightly nervous that I may be perceived as having an advantage from what one might call "blanket church support". However, from conversations with other candidates since Friday I do believe that it was very worthwhile to showcase the work of the church in the community alongside other third sector agencies. I was disappointed that Street Life was not represented as I believe this to be a very tangible example of how Christians are contributing to the wellbeing of Guernsey citizens.
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have	Overall it was very good – certainly on a par with the (many) other such events I've been invited to in the last few weeks.

<p>been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.</p>	
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*Thank you for your responses.*

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# Churches' Convention for Candidates

## Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Rev'd Dr Rob Harnish

Date: 21 September 2020

Consent:

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Signature: R.G. Harnish

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## Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	<b>X</b>			This statement is true in relation to all large and representative voluntary organisations. These relationships develop best when the lead is taken by the representative organisation.
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	With the provision expressed			The States does not have a single mind. The outcome of the debate is, for me, a matter of regret. It shows insufficient understanding of and regard for the equal worth of all human life.
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	<b>X</b>			This issue is not a matter for further debate. It is important for concerned groups to make their frustration with the lack of progress publicly heard. Politicians who agree will otherwise be "voices in the wilderness".

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	<b>X</b>			Our moral duty is clear in this regard. I am of the view that our commitment to Overseas Aid in no way undermines our ability to address local need. An argument based solely on GDP would suggest we should be giving more.
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	<b>X</b>			
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	<b>X</b>			



<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	<b>X</b>			Organisations like PACE, as well as individual church leaders have a role to play in religious and moral education. This Island's cultural heritage gives them a special role, alongside other religious and moral beliefs.
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	<b>X</b>			This statement should not be controversial, as there are already significant opportunities available in terms of energy self-sufficiency and transport strategies to mean we can be carbon neutral much sooner.

## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	<p>The States has a duty to consult with the public on all changes to law or social policy that will have a significant impact on public life. There should be no obstacle to ensuring that the voice of faith communities is sought specifically in all such consultations.</p> <p>Equally, there is a duty for leaders of faith communities to properly and fairly consult with their members to ensure that they can honestly and truly represent their voice.</p>
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	<p>I am the manager of the Ron Short Centre for people with physical and sensory disabilities. For the last three years, I have been working alongside government to develop proposals for discrimination legislation as the social policy lead for the Guernsey Disability Alliance. This topic is particularly sensitive in the community I represent. Ensuring that the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disability is extended to Guernsey is a high priority to me, so that we can all be held properly to account, and we can begin to tackle the fear and stigma attached to disability.</p>

Subject	Question	Response
<p>End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i></p>	<p>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</p> <p>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</p>	<p>a) "Euthanasia" is a problematic term. Suicide is already illegal. Killing another person is murder except in very constrained circumstances (<i>e.g.</i> in defence of self or others by proportionate means or in aggression against combatants during a declared war). Making "I want to end my life" such a circumstance is extremely problematic. There is no room here for a full discussion, but I am strongly against the legalisation of "euthanasia" while recognising both double effect, and the strength of common law in relation to "mercy killing".</p> <p>b) I support proportional investment in end of life care services. I have not investigated the level of need sufficiently to determine whether an on-Island consultant is warranted, since the vast majority of end of life situations are managed with a fairly small range of palliative options. I will follow the evidence on this subject.</p>
<p>Care in our Island and for our wider world</p>	<p>Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.</p>	<p>Yes. Despite a below average salary, I have myself wanted to donate more than the £5000 maximum to a cause I strongly supported and where such money would have made a crucial difference. The cap is arbitrarily set, and my own view is that it should simply be eliminated at least in relation to third sector organisations that meet public needs (fulfil gaps in public services).</p> <p>Payroll giving works well in other jurisdictions. I am not aware of any reasons for opposing it.</p>

Subject	Question	Response
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	Our social security net is such that no one in Guernsey needs to live in absolute poverty. There is no single proposal that can address relative poverty in Guernsey; it comes in too many different forms. The issue is made even more complicated when the life choices of the victim of poverty work against easy solutions. The Report on Guernsey Living Standards (2002) suggests that there are two crucial streams of work. The first is better supporting pensioners on low-incomes. The second is (unfashionably) providing better guidance/education on fiscal management for those who are struggling most. This should be done with the intent of empowering/enabling people to lead more successful lives (and relies on adequate underlying social insurance provision for those in need).
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	Implementation requires (1) commitment, (2) public accountability, and (3) effective enforcement of protections. The evidence from other jurisdictions suggests that there will have to be strong public demand for all three of these requirements if there is to be any substantial progress.
Faith in schools	Do you support faith-based schools in the Island? <i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i> Please explain your reasons in your response.	I support excellence in education. There are no grounds for closing any of our current schools with Christian heritages, which provide a balanced education in accordance with the law. Equally, there is no reason to prevent the establishment of a new school with a religious or secular ethos that meets the requirement to provide a diverse and open education.

## Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	The Guernsey Churches have the same right as every other organisation to invite candidates to engage in an event they organise, and to provide honest and accurate feedback to their members.
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	From my point of view, the event was well organised and it was helpful to see the range of topics that were of interest to the Churches. I was somewhat surprised that a few topics I thought might have been of particular concern were not tabled.

*Thank you for your responses.*

*If you have any further comments or questions please contact John Ogier on 01481 235030 or [johnogierqsy@gmail.com](mailto:johnogierqsy@gmail.com) or speak with me in person.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: David Inglis

Date: 23 September 2020

Consent:

I agree to my responses to this questionnaire, regarding matters of particular concern and interest to the faith community in Guernsey, being circulated to all Island churches for distribution to their congregations.

Signature: *David Inglis*

Note: In the first part of this questionnaire, you are invited to place a tick in the response to the statement that best represents your view. In the second part, you are invited to give your own policy proposals to the question. The third part is an open response to the Guernsey Churches' initiative in seeking to engage with candidates in the 2020 Island wide election.

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### Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.			X	
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	X			
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	X			
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	X			
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	X			

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	X			
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.				Yes, but using the PACE approach
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	X			



## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	Establish a position in the states like for example the role of Procurer
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	All life is and should be protected unless situation is of an inevitable life-threatening nature
End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</li> <li>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) No subject to examination</li> <li>(b) Yes based on analysis of the issue</li> </ul>

Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	No I think the limits are satisfactory at current rates
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	Unable to comment at the moment
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	Through education of the community, much in the way we have developed the waste strategy.
Faith in schools	Do you support faith-based schools in the Island? <i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i>	No, single faith schools could and probably do, create a discrimination issue in todays world

	Please explain your reasons in your response.	
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### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	<u>Yes</u>
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	<u>Very interesting in providing facts and figures</u>

*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name:

Date: 22/09/20

Consent:

I agree to my responses to this questionnaire, regarding matters of particular concern and interest to the faith community in Guernsey, being circulated to all Island churches for distribution to their congregations.

Signature: *(type name if form is being returned by email)*

Sasha Kazantseva-Miller

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## Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	X			
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.		X		In this specific instance I could see that significant consultation took place with the medical professionals and proposals focused on improving the health-care provision and options for the mother. I feel that this is a highly emotive issue that needs the balance of consideration for both sides of the argument and believe that both the rights of the mother and child were considered.
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	x			

Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	x			
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	x			
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	x			Campaigning for election has provided me with more visibility into the issue of poverty in our community and it's essential we address this holistically through cross-committee collaboration and in partnership with the community.
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.		X		There are many different faith and spiritual disciplines and I would welcome a partnership across such traditions to work together to deliver curriculum

					enrichment with schools.
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.		X		<p>I am passionate about doing more for our environment. We have some great new policies (Energy, Climate Action and Strategy for Nature) to get started with on action and implementation. I would prefer to focus on delivering on these rather than try to move the goal post at this stage given that it's an internationally accepted deadline.</p> <p>We can move the targets to an earlier date down the line once we are on the right track.</p>



## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	I would like to get more information/data about the different faith organisations in the community and conduct a type of audit and what kind of community initiatives they are involved with and their impact/extent. This would be a good starting point to inform the next steps in building better collaboration between the States and the fourth sector.
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	I don't have a formed opinion on this matter and would like to do more research about it.
End of Life Care (Please answer both questions a and b).	<p>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</p> <p>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</p>	<p>a) From a personal experience, having seen both of my parents-in-law pass away from regenerative diseases, I can see the value of the right to choose how to die in a very limited number of situations and ensuring there are critical checks and balances in place.</p> <p>b) Yes, having spoken to the Les Bourgs Hospice team at the Church Convention, I can see the need for an on-island consultant.</p>

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Question</b>	<b>Response</b>
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	Yes, I think this is good fundraising mechanic that works in many different countries such as the UK and will help provide more funding to the third sector and overseas aid.
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	I would look to establish an all parliamentary committee to look at the issue holistically, as it will involve education, employment, home and economic development among others. I would like us to focus on interventions that provide tools and education to improve people's lives and perhaps more accent on vocational training.
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	Ensure investment in transition to clean energy away from fossil fuels. I talk about the idea of creating a Green Energy Fund that provides grants to households to invest in home insulation improvements. Ensure better land management practices especially on States owned/managed land. Reduce/eliminate the use of chemicals. Create land and marine conservation areas and a Centre for Nature. Compost food and green waste locally and return to back to soil. Grow more local food, which is good for soil and biodiversity.

Faith in schools	<p>Do you support faith-based schools in the Island?</p> <p><i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i></p> <p>Please explain your reasons in your response.</p>	<p>I would welcome education about faith and diversity of spiritual disciplines across all schools but support the existence of specific faith-based schools if it addresses the demands of our community.</p>
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### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	Yes.
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	<p>I would like to sincerely thank the Church leaders and community for organising the event. I found it heart-warming and informative, especially learning about the extent and type of community initiatives of the Church and the higher level thinking to encourage more collaboration with the States.</p> <p>It was difficult to find a place to sit at the beginning so perhaps the event would have benefited from more tables/chairs and more specific rotation times.</p>

*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Christopher le Tissier

Date: 22 September

Consent:

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Signature: *(type name if form is being returned by email) ok*

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**Part 1**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	x			
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.				X The decision was made and we cannot continually go back and change decisions. I do not have the detailed information available to Deputies on which they based their decision. If elected I intend to keep an open mind on these type of contentious matters and follow the evidence.
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	x			
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be		x		

	maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.				Maybe when the economy recovers but at present the economy is on it's knees.
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	x			
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	x			
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.				X Yes but care needs to be exercised to provide balance and other alternate views acknowlged.

Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.		x		We can't trash our economy in the short term by adopting extreme policies designed to save the world. Whilst a laudable longer term aim, we are miniscule in world terms so whatever we do will have limited effects. We should not be at the leading edge, but neither should we be at the rear. A position in the top 25% seems to be the area to be in, in many areas not just climate change.
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## Part 2



Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	It's our policy to engage more with the charity sector to enable the States to step back from areas they do not have expertise in. Charities, and Churches are experts in providing these essential services.
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	The decision was made and we cannot continually go back and change decisions. I do not have the detailed information available to Deputies on which they based their decision. If elected I intend to keep an open mind on these type of contentious matters and follow the evidence.
End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?  b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?	No Yes
Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500	In principle this sounds reasonable but it isn't an area where I have carried out detailed investigation.

	(min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	The States could do more. However as with all States spending, we need to increase States income. Not by increasing taxes or introducing new ones such as GST which hit the lower paid hardest but by growing the economy as quickly as possible. The States will then have more income to spend on deserving causes.
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	We are doing all we can with the limited resources available. Once we grow the economy and with higher income for the States we can then look at the policies again.
Faith in schools	Do you support faith-based schools in the Island? <i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i>	If privately funded then yes.

	Please explain your reasons in your response.	
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### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	Yes it was useful
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	A bigger venue might have helped with more seats at tables. I liked the provision of tea and biscuits 😊, very thoughtful.

*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Mary Lowe

Date: 25/09/20

Consent:

I agree to my responses to this questionnaire, regarding matters of particular concern and interest to the faith community in Guernsey, being circulated to all Island churches for distribution to their congregations.

Signature: *(type name if form is being returned by email)* Mary Lowe

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**Part 1**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	Agree			
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.		Disagree. I was advised by professional Doctors, I'm a politician and can only go by professional advice, that's the only reason why I supported the States Report		
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	Agree			
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be	Agree			

	maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.				
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	Agree, excellent work takes place in the Prison			
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	Agree			
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	Agree			
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	Agree			

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## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	A six monthly workshop with representatives from the Church and <b>all</b> States members invited to attend
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	Disagree
End of Life Care (Please answer both questions a and b).	a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia	No to euthanasia



	<p>(including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</p> <p>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</p>	Greater investment in palliative care long overdue. Yes to onisland consultant
Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	Not at this present time. The huge debt of millions of pounds the States has incorporated by supporting those in our community through Covid, which I agree with, has to be paid back by the taxpayer. Unfortunately, the timing to widening gift aid isn't now
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	Getting the States to accept the issues that may be causing poverty so poverty can be eradicated in the first place. It's complex and not a single reason why poverty exists. Good evidence of numbers and reasons whats happening in peoples lives must be part of a report to the States. Poverty may be one or a combination of mental health, housing, unemployment, low wage and much more.
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	By having a reasonable achievable programme with timelines and monitored!

Faith in schools	<p>Do you support faith-based schools in the Island?</p> <p><i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i></p> <p>Please explain your reasons in your response.</p>	yes

### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	<u>Yes</u>
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both	<u>The evening was very informative and a great opportunity for two way conversation for all parties to discuss the issues. If held next time a rotating order around the tables would be better and bigger premises. Thanks for organising this one though, it was helpful.</u>

the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	<u>Apologies as part 3 answers are coming up underlined, its not something I have done on my PC or can correct, sorry.</u>
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*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Elaine Mahy

Date: 21 Sept 2020

Consent: Elaine Mahy

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Signature: *(type name if form is being returned by email)*

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## Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	yes			
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	yes			
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	yes			
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.			yes	Targeted and monitored support to help communities to help themselves.
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	yes			

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	yes			
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	yes			
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.			yes	This is a very complex subject, and in a way, the answer belongs to everyone, not just the States. It depends on our buying choices and behaviour, as well as the examples we set to our children and the younger generation. We need to assist locally as well as worldwide in maintaining and growing our green spaces and biodiversity on land and at sea both locally

					<p>and, where we can make a difference, worldwide using our buying power / growing our own to put less pressure on environments overseas. Emissions also play a big part in power generation, aviation, and land and sea transport. But we should be mindful of the cost to the environment of continually buying the next better green product because with every new thing we buy we are also having a negative impact in the production of that item and the wastage of the previous discarded item. Use less, waste less, grow local, buy local.</p> <p>The States can lead by example and also encourage people to do what they can with low cost allotments, improved bus links and cycle routes, and respect for nature.</p>
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## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	I hope that the intention of the States when voting this in was to keep termination, where it is decided on, as early as possible. I believe the extension of time concerned circumstances where the information was only available late in pregnancy. I think following the UK on this was not necessarily the best option given that other countries in Europe have stricter rules, perhaps changes should have been made in smaller steps.
End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	<p>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</p> <p>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</p>	<p>a) I do not feel confident to answer this question. My instinct now is no, however this may not be my answer forever.</p> <p>b) yes.</p>



Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	Even out the tax take and reduce pressure on lower income households. At the moment bills seem to go up and up and income does not, especially for the self-employed.
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	Competing priorities are the issue, we need to be firmer on building only where necessary and to use brownfield sites rather than greenfield. We are lucky to have so much green space in our island but we need to preserve and encourage biodiversity and allow our wildlife to share our island. We need to encourage small growers to bring a love of nature and growing skills back to the island and reduce our need for imported food.
Faith in schools	Do you support faith-based schools in the Island? <i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i> Please explain your reasons in your response.	I believe in choice in education and have nothing against the current provision in this area.

### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	I was pleased to attend your event and the speak with the various charities and organisations represented. I am happy to discuss my views in this format.
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	More seating could have been provided for excess candidates. Other than that the format was friendly and useful and welcoming, it didn't feel too busy or frenetic. The cups of tea and snack trays were a nice touch. I was pleased to have attended, and I was introduced to services I had not known about before.

*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Adam Martel

Date: 22 September 2020

Consent:

I agree to my responses to this questionnaire, regarding matters of particular concern and interest to the faith community in Guernsey, being circulated to all Island churches for distribution to their congregations.

Signature: *Adam Martel (Yes consent given)*

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### Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	Yes			Yes, more about all the good work the Church and community groups involved with the Church should be understood more.
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	Yes			Personally I feel that the 24 week limit is far too high and the life inside the person is too far developed.
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	Yes			I am in favour of assisted dying, however only when all palliative care options have been full exhausted. Improving palliative care would be a great initiative and way forward to, rather than using assisted dying as last resort in special case circumstances.

Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	Yes 100%			This is ultimately our duty and care for our outside community and brothers/sisters. If we ever find ourselves in any crisis's we would duly expect the same back in return. We must continue to commit to this area.
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	Yes			Again on this subject, Islanders who have made errors of judgement or committed a crime should be entitled to the right to repent and rebuild their lives. Offering support from the Church or wider community to key to help them back on the road to leading a better life moving forward.

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	Yes			Evert islander should be looked after at all times. In a modern society no one should be going hungry and should always have a roof over their heads no matter what the individual circumstances may be. Equality for all and we should be proud to shout about our caring nature and community values.
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	Yes			Agreed, all faiths should be considered and if not fully covered, any child or parent grievances should be taken into consideration (so they do have the right to opted out). Religion and our faith is a key part to society, island life and our values.

Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	Yes			We should be aiming for a goal of 2040, review every term or 5 years (maximum) and also be willing to openly work with all environmental groups to try and achieve this. As a young environmentalist of the year winner for two years in a row (back in the mid 1990's) I am still passionate about protecting our environment / biodiversity and would be hoping to work alongside anyone who also wishes to drive this forward and help us achieve our common goal. We must do better, we only have one world and our future generations must follow once we set better objectives to tackle climate change.

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## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	<p>I would encourage all the new States members to sign up to a Church forum (if they is one set up to date or introduce a way we could be informed of all services and community events on weekly/monthly). Then we could attend and engage further, obtain a better understanding of all the good work that the Churches and faith do for our community and outside our island.</p> <p>Gaining insights is fundamental key here for all deputies being elected for each term.</p>



Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	I would need to take a look at the full proposal, review what stage the pregnancy was at and if it was in the best interest for the carrier to still proceed with view for adoption or care options afterwards (initial thoughts as I have not seen the proposed legislation in full).
End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	<p>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</p> <p>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</p>	<p>Yes, as mentioned above only when all other palliative care options have been exhausted and the correct safeguarding and legislation/regulation in place. This would have to be on case by case basis as a last resort. There has to be some element of choice depending on the individual's primary needs. It is a tough subject, so here is my honest answer.</p> <p>Yes 100%, continuing from above I would favour the best palliative care options being available to all to give any/each individual the right to life and be looking to all possibilities to be available, providing we were being completely realistic (reviewing case by case).</p>

Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	As I mention at the convention on Friday (18 September), 100% yes. Payroll giving in a great way to give back and I think we lag in this area compared to many other islands and larger countries. The widening of gift aid should also be uncapped so the person wishing to give can willingly gift what they choose. Some pandemics and world disasters affect people differently and are closer to their hearts than others and some people just want to give help (no matter how large their contribution may be). This should not be limited.
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	<p>Encourage more giving to food banks and more drop off areas introduced at supermarkets.</p> <p>Look at ways to send out key messages to islanders that are comfortable in their day to day living to see if they could donate more (clean) unused clothing.</p> <p>Review if there was a need for halfway houses (which could be spilt and used for multipurpose services, rehabilitation and to help islanders who are sleeping rough or in-between living accommodation.</p> <p>Provide workshops and training to upskill people and give them a sense of purpose and encouragement to try and reach their goals and improve their lives depending on their needs.</p> <p>I was taken back when I saw the increase of islanders/household relying on our food bank services looking at the 14 week COVID period. We must do better here and support each other best we can.</p>

Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	<p>Ensure we have the right boards and community groups in place and work collaboratively together.</p> <p>Promote in schools to our younger islanders as part of education so children understand the long term benefits in protecting our environment and biodiversity.</p> <p>Set clear objectives for protection and improvements and ensure we commit to measuring them and be accountable if we do not reach these goals.</p> <p>This has to be one of our primary focuses, one we lose some species and they are gone they may be gone forever in our island.</p>
Faith in schools	<p>Do you support faith-based schools in the Island?</p> <p><i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or</i></p>	<p>Yes I do, as an ex Notre Dame primary school pupil (and Christian/Catholic) it is important that islander/families have a choice of where to school their children accordingly to their own beliefs. Tradition values are important in a vast volume of islanders beliefs and with must have provisions in place to accommodate their needs.</p>

	<p><i>where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i></p> <p>Please explain your reasons in your response.</p>	
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### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	<p>Yes, for me this was very insightful to engage and learn more about the key part Churches play in our islander and community. Very insightful, I didn't manage to get around to every table due to the volume of attendance. Following up and answering all the question afterwards has been great.</p> <p>This has also allowed candidates to reach and engage further with our community.</p> <p>Well done and thank you for the invitation, so beneficial and enlightening.</p>
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	<p>My only bit of slightly negative feedback (not a criticism by any means), maybe for future events we could all be allocated a hour slots to move around the room (breaking the number of candidates attendance down to groups of 25-30 (depending on how many replied to accept their attendance). I would have liked to engage with all table and groups so I spread my attendance fairly and engaged with all.</p> <p>I have arranged some follow ups and sure I will achieve reaching out to all before the end of my campaign.</p> <p>Really looking forward to getting involved further moving forward no matter the outcome of the elections.</p>

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*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Diane Mitchell nee Brochet

Date: 23rd September 2020

Consent:

I agree to my responses to this questionnaire, regarding matters of particular concern and interest to the faith community in Guernsey, being circulated to all Island churches for distribution to their congregations.

Signature: Diane Mitchell

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## Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	✓			The States has been too insular in its openness and transparency.
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	✓			Additionally it has little regard for the moral Dilemma faced by Doctors in terminating a life.
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	✓			A personal decision but palliative care seems a much better more humane resolution.
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	✓			

Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	✓			Some good work achieved here, in line with restorative justice.
Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	✓			
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	✓			



Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	✓			We can do this we are a small island and should be able to achieve this far sooner by investing in blue and green environment policy.
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## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
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Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	Better, more open and transparent plans, shared with outcome based goals rather than process driven intentions. Timescales and costed so that Islanders know what to expect.
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	Appalling decision, not just for the child but for the Doctors and the parent.
End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</li> <li>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</li> </ul>	I support the choice of the individual and their family to make those decisions. I would support B. would not like the island to be a tourist spot for euthanasia.
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Question</b>	<b>Response</b>

Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	There are many wealthy givers in the island who would willingly give more than £500 therefore I support the upper threshold. I think payroll giving is a suitable option for those who wish to do so.
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	Engagement with the charity sector as to how many and how best to help those in poverty particularly as they are often the front line with affected families.
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	Agreeing more funding to champion the cause and draw together the very worthy projects that at present are more of a voluntary basis.
Faith in schools	Do you support faith-based schools in the Island? <i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i> Please explain your reasons in your response.	I do support faith based schools as part of an offer with choice for families and communities. I would hope that all children have a rich faith based curriculum on which to base their opinions and lifestyle choices without criticism.

### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
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<p>Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?</p>	<p><u>Yes, it was well supported and all voters are entitled to know their candidate views.</u></p>
<p>Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.</p>	<p><u>I enjoyed the evening, met a lot of great people and also learnt a lot. would recommend for all islanders.</u></p>

*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Christopher Nicolle

Date: 21/09/2020

Consent:

I agree to my responses to this questionnaire, regarding matters of particular concern and interest to the faith community in Guernsey, being circulated to all Island churches for distribution to their congregations.

Signature: *(type name if form is being returned by email)* Christopher Nicolle

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**Part 1**

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	✓ /			As a practicing Christian, this is what I pray for.
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	✓ /			Sadly, even though the issue had been in the public domain, the attention of most was focused on 'lockdown'. As a person of faith I worry about this issue on many levels, not only the taking of life but also the long term mental health impact of the mother.
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	✓ /			Having lost my sister to cancer on December 16 <sup>th</sup> 2019, aged just 57, I fully appreciate how vital this is. The care, which she received in the UK, was exemplary but I know that the standard can be rather hit and miss.

					We all deserve the best at this important part of our journey.
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	, /			I truly believe that we owe a continuing debt of gratitude to poorer countries. Most often their poverty and development issues are directly related to the activities of the rich countries, who systematically raped them of their natural resources. Debts should be written off and opportunity should be afforded them, to work along side us. The Commonwealth of Nations should become even more significant to us as we move forward through and beyond the pandemic.

Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	✓			Forgiveness is key, we should not write off offenders and preclude them from a chance to make amends and to rehabilitate fully. Except for extreme cases, where the individual poses a real and prolonged risk, then this island needs to show greater compassion.
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	✓			You should note, from my manifesto, that this is a key area of my concern. As a consequence, I am keen to address major inequalities. This begins with reform of our income tax system, for which I would begin by introducing seven bands. By raising the personal allowance to £15,000, the lower paid would be



					released from the burden of this tax. The next band would be 15%, then 20% with the highest band at 26%. During Covid 19 we have shown greater compassion and concern for the welfare of our neighbour. We HAVE to carry this forward.
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	, /			Whilst faith is a choice, the individual deserves to be made aware of what is available to him or her.
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	, /			Again, my manifesto makes much of this. Tidal, wave, solar, energy conservation through grants to insulate homes. Also hydrogen cell

					cars and aircraft for which the technology already exists and is being further developed. What is more, Guernsey could innovate in much of this as a test bed for manufacturers (island hopping and our short road journeys. Perhaps development of a tram service between Vale, St Sampson and St Peter Port?
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## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector	Deputies would be welcome to visit our churches, Life Groups and observe the work we do to encourage each other and those in our community. I would wish to encourage such visits so that they are

	and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	informed rather than making presumptions. Friendship is key in this.
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	State sponsored murder is objectionable be it the 'Death Row' scenario or termination of the unborn child. Having taught, for eighteen years of my career, in a 'Barrier Free' school in Eccles, Greater Manchester, some of my fondest memories are of teaching wonderful children who, whilst disabled, were full of fun and abilities. Many of these wonderful individuals now enjoy very successful and productive lives. Having been Head of Citizenship at SSHS on the island for ten years, I took great pains to inform and educate students about disability, whether as of birth or acquired. Equality starts with conception and there are other options available such as adoption.
End of Life Care (Please answer both questions a and b).	a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia	No, it is not our place to commit or assist in the taking of human life.

	<p>(including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</p> <p>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</p>	<p>Yes, selfishly we all stand to benefit from having a dignified end to our life on Earth.</p>
Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	<p>Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.</p>	<p>Without question, for all the reasons I previously gave. Anything that encourages, not just the charitable act but also an individual's awareness, is to be encouraged. Furthermore, what an individual gifts, should not be counted as part of what our government tenders as overseas aid. However, what an individual does or does not do, must remain private, there can be no hint of trying to embarrass one into donating.</p>
Poverty in the Community	<p>What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?</p>	<p>Income tax reform, developers being expected to provide for a specific charities need as a pay off for being allowed certain planning applications to be passed (for example if a charity needs and extension to a building or modifications, these could be done free). Encourage those on low income who wish to work overtime. Instead of removing a significant portion of their benefit, reward them for their determined attitude, build their self-esteem rather than continually driving them down.</p>

Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	<p>More considered to preservation of natural environments, less greenfield development whilst derelict and brown field sites remain untouched. Compulsory purchase of derelict glasshouses and properties, left untouched for decades, develop some sites into allotments, improving environments, community spirit, physical and mental health. Restrict some activities in some area (both on land and coastal/marine environments) to protect breeding sites, places of special scientific interest etc. Some of these may only be necessary during part of a specific season. Facilitate the good work undertaken by 'Soil Farm' and other groups whose work will serve to improve our life here. Where required, be open to the prospect of tax breaks, particularly where the long term benefit far outstrips this initial cost (don't for ever think in the short term or just measure success in monetary terms).</p>
Faith in schools	<p>Do you support faith-based schools in the Island?</p> <p><i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i></p> <p>Please explain your reasons in your response.</p>	<p>This is one area where I am undecided, not because I have doubts about my own faith or restricting others access to Jesus. However, I am in favour of an 'inclusive' society where schools are a microcosm of the same. Surly faith is more easily transmitted to those who have not heard the 'GOOD WORD' by being with them rather than seeming to be aloof and separate?</p>

		However, this does not mean that I would look to rid the island of existing faith institutions.
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### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	Yes I do, we are an important part of life on the island and give hope to so many who might otherwise be lost. It may also serve to bring more politicians to faith or at least to open their minds. As to feeding back to congregations, it is certainly no different from a specific interest group such as environmentalists doing likewise.
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	I enjoyed engaging with everyone on the evening, including some of my fellow candidates. It allowed me to establish that some are on the same page as me, if not the complete chapter. The time spent with the female representative from 'Caring for Ex-offenders' was particularly worthwhile, although I found the whole experience, at every table (and I did spend time at all of them) informative and encouraging). Thankyou for providing us with the opportunity.

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*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: ROB PROW

Date: 24<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

Consent:

I agree to my responses to this questionnaire, regarding matters of particular concern and interest to the faith community in Guernsey, being circulated to all Island churches for distribution to their congregations.

Signature: *(type name if form is being returned by email) Rob Prow*

Note: In the first part of this questionnaire, you are invited to place a tick in the response to the statement that best represents your view. In the second part, you are invited to give your own policy proposals to the question. The third part is an open response to the Guernsey Churches' initiative in seeking to engage with candidates in the 2020 Island wide election.

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**Part 1**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	YES			The Church are very active in third sector provision.
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	YES			I voted against late term abortions
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	YES			I supported this resolution
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	YES			
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public	YES			

	sector working together for the good of the Island.				
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	YES			Poverty in Guernsey need to be better researched and understood in order that the right measures are taken
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	YES			
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	?			Not sure I fully agree with the assumption in the question. It is a good thing to have a target. If we can deliver this earlier then that is also a good thing. It is global emissions that scare me!

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## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	Keep up doing what you are doing. I find no difficulty in engaging with the Church and value it. It might be interesting hearing from those who are not engaging!
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	Whilst a complex area for consideration, if elected I shall, when the legislation comes back to the States move to challenge compliance with UN convention and late term abortions.

End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	<p>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</p> <p>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</p>	<p>No</p> <p>Yes. Guernsey has an amazing palliative care team. I would like to support and enhance the capability on island.</p>
Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	This is not something I have fully researched if I'm honest. So, at the moment I cannot provide a satisfactory answer except to say the concept appears to have merit.
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	There is currently not enough research into poverty. We know it exists and its prevalence is clearly apparent in some areas but not so in others. We must urgently understand the full extent and underlying causes. Citizens Advice and the Guernsey Welfare Service are doing a great job in dealing with some of the consequences. Government needs to match rhetoric with action.

Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	The Development and Planning Law need urgent review. It is not fit for purpose and is immune from the democratic process. Government must start to draw clear red lines to protect, open spaces, green fields, areas of special significance, biodiversity and habitats (especially in the breeding season) including along the coast line and at sea.
Faith in schools	Do you support faith-based schools in the Island? <i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i> Please explain your reasons in your response.	Broadly yes.

### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
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Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	Yes. Candidates should be given the widest opportunity to understand all the work done in the community.
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	The evening was well organised and informative. I also enjoyed my coffee and biscuits! I'm only sorry I attended late as I had another prior event. So, thank you.

*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name:

Date:

Consent:

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## Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	Yes			
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	Yes			
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	Yes			
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	Yes, but More Each Year			
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	Yes			



Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	Yes			
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	Yes			
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	Yes, if not sooner			

## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	Work more closely with the Churches, consultation, more funding
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	I am totally opposed to this
End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care? b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?	No, I certainly don't

Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	Yes, I certainly would at least 5K
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	No tax on the lower paid and pensions an higher threshold than 9K say 15K also increase the minimum wage from £8.50 per hour to a more reasonable figure.
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	Free solar panels, protect are land and sea better, increase recycling and a positive waste strategy.
Faith in schools	Do you support faith-based schools in the Island? <i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i>	Yes, I certainly do I believe they are extremely important.

	Please explain your reasons in your response.	I am Church of England and support all faiths
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### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	I most do I found it it an extremely informative and constructive evening I learnt a great deal and would like to be involved in a voluntary capacity with many especially visiting poor children and helping them in some way as explained comprehensively by Sarah.
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	I thought you arranged the evening fantastically well I engaged with virtually everyone, well done

*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Ann Robilliard

Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020

Consent: Ann Robilliard

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**Part 1**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.			PNA	
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.		Disagree		It would be wrong to make a criminal of a woman who may act out of fear or desperation among other reasons. Whichever path a woman chooses is not an easy one. Non-judgemental counselling should be readily available at all stages. The decision was made by evidence available and should not be revisited.
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	Agree			
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving		Disagree		Overseas Aid should be made within our means. Targets are just numbers.

	0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.				We need to invest in our community first and stimulate our economy through training of all ages so that people are better able to support themselves here; thus making us better able to help elsewhere. I would propose analysing aid outcomes to ensure that the money is used in the best way it can be.
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	Agree			This is an excellent example of the faith community and the public sector working together to support those who need it most. Even if the initiative fails in some cases the feeling that people are 'out there' who care makes a difference. I would propose that employers who give ex-prisoners a second chance could be rewarded in some way.



<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	Agree			I hope that we shall all work together to make this happen in the most efficient way we can which especially involves investment in training of all ages and childcare.
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	Agree			All religions represented on the Islands should be given the opportunity to contribute to the education curriculum for religious education within the Islands.

Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	Agree			This is the most important issue facing us and should not be underestimated. Our unique position with our Islands' characteristics give us opportunities to make our environment work with us, eg.utilisation of tidal power.
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## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	The States could liaise more with the churches in areas where there is special expertise within the church community.

Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	'Significant ' abnormality is difficult to define; our only option is to let a panel of professionals decide solely on clinical grounds and taking into account the mental health of the mother and her long-term ability, mentally and physically to provide every waking hour to another for the rest of her life, potentially without extra help.
End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	<p>a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?</p> <p>b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?</p>	<p>a) I do not support the legalisation of euthanasia as I am mindful that there would always be a risk of coercion; however this is a personal view and I respect that of others who disagree.</p> <p>b) Palliative care staff are highly trained and their care is second to none; guided by family wishes. We need more of those special people but I do not feel a consultant is required.</p>

Subject	Question	Response
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	Yes. The gift aid threshold should be raised so that those can afford to can give more to to help charities they care about which should be encouraged by the States. Payroll giving is an easy way to integrate charitable giving into our everyday lives.
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	We need to invest in training for all ages, offer free paid apprenticeships to those who need them, provide more free child care places to enable people to work or care for relatives, provide food vouchers and educate all children on dental care for better health during yearly hygienist appointments. Small mixed supportive housing communities have been successful elsewhere. 'Lost' bicycles could be provided to those needing one rather than being auctioned.
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	There has to be awareness and acceptance as a community that we by our numbers and behaviour are creating the problem, so strong messaging and education are essential.
Faith in schools	Do you support faith-based schools in the Island? <i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and</i>	Faith based schools provide good education grounded in the principles of the faith they represent. I see few downsides as students and parents alike always have the option of non-faith based schools in Guernsey.

	<p><i>private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i></p> <p>Please explain your reasons in your response.</p>	
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### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	The more opportunities that candidates have to understand how the Islands work; the better.
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	<p>The evening was friendly, informative and everyone could be heard in the carpeted church.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>

*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: Jane Stephens

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

Consent:

I agree to my responses to this questionnaire, regarding matters of particular concern and interest to the faith community in Guernsey, being circulated to all Island churches for distribution to their congregations.

Signature: *(type name if form is being returned by email)* T.J. Stephens

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## Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.	*			
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	*			
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	*			
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	*			
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public sector working together for the good of the Island.	*			



Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	*			The next Assembly needs to fully understand the recently Improving Living Standards Legislation. This is a framework through which to get a clearer picture of the extent of the work to be done and helps with better targeting.
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	*			
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.	*			

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## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	The suggestion that there is a formal opportunity for engagement that is similar to the Govt. interaction with business and the Third Sector is a good one. If this is not favoured then working with HSC and ESC and ESS in a task force arrangement might build on the progress made this political term.
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	I see this as discriminatory and unethical and unacceptable.

End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care?  b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?	a) No b) Yes
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Question</b>	<b>Response</b>
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	This matter has been considered this term and it was felt that the Assembly would not have the appetite to make this move. A new Assembly might have a different view. I would be comfortable with a revision of thresholds providing any impact on revenue was clearly articulated.
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	It is very easy to reel off a list of good things to do but if I was to pick one it would be channelling funding into breaking the cycle of poverty that filters through generations of some families. I would start with educational support of children and support with transition from education into employment.

Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	Through information, example and legislation. Setting targets and funding adequately the programmes to achieve the targets.
Faith in schools	Do you support faith-based schools in the Island? <i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i> Please explain your reasons in your response.	Yes. I have taught in the local faith-based schools and also many of the other local schools. There is a tangible difference in ethos and prioritisation of values in a faith-based school. Put bluntly, respect for God is evidence in respect for the whole school community.

### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform	<u>Yes</u>

their congregations of candidate responses?	
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	<u>I enjoyed the evening, but the venue needed more space and a little longer to discuss matters.</u>

*Thank you for your responses.*

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## Churches' Convention for Candidates

### Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate name: steven wall

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

Consent:

I agree to my responses to this questionnaire, regarding matters of particular concern and interest to the faith community in Guernsey, being circulated to all Island churches for distribution to their congregations.

Signature: *(type name if form is being returned by email)* steven wall

Note: In the first part of this questionnaire, you are invited to place a tick in the response to the statement that best represents your view. In the second part, you are invited to give your own policy proposals to the question. The third part is an open response to the Guernsey Churches' initiative in seeking to engage with candidates in the 2020 Island wide election.

*References to "the States" are to the "States of Deliberation" (the elected body of the States of Guernsey responsible for delivering public services, Island policy and the legislation).*

### Part 1

Subject	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Undecided / Prefer not to answer	Comment
Faith in the Community	The States should develop a better understanding of, and partnership with, the faith sector in shared Island outcomes.				I do not have adequate information to form an opinion
Life for Both	The States did not have sufficient regard for the life of the unborn child in deciding to increase the stage at which a healthy unborn life can be terminated from 12 weeks to 24 weeks.	*****			I do not think a fetus should be aborted – unless the life of the mother is at risk
End of Life Care	The States should implement its extant resolution to improve end of life care through palliative care.	*****			
Care for our wider world	The States' existing commitment to supporting Overseas Aid should be maintained and the target of giving 0.2% of GDP by 2030 should remain.	*****			
Caring for ex-offenders	The States' support for caring for ex-offenders provides a good example of the faith community and the public				

	sector working together for the good of the Island.				
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Statement</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Undecided / Prefer not to answer</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Poverty in the Community	Addressing poverty in food, pensions and work should be a priority area for the new States to create a fairer Island for all.	*****			
Faith in our Schools	Churches working together to support the Island schools in delivering the Guernsey educational curriculum in religious education and personal development is to be encouraged.	*****			
Faith in the environment and Creation Care	The existing States commitment to become carbon neutral by 2050 is too long term, given the climate crisis. The new States should actively work to reduce the Island's carbon emissions in a shorter time period.				I do not have enough knowledge to form an opinion



## Part 2

Subject	Question	Response
Faith in the Community	What steps you would like the new States to take to better engage with the faith sector and churches in particular, in serving our Island?	Do not have knowledge of current level of engagement to form a considered opinion
Life for Both	What are your views on the proposed States' legislation to legalise the termination life of the unborn up to delivery for "significant" abnormality (includes disability), when this could be held to be in contravention of the UN rights of disabled persons?	I am totally opposed to the legislation
End of Life Care <i>(Please answer both questions a and b).</i>	a) Do you support the legalisation of various forms of euthanasia (including assisted dying) as an answer to end of life care? b) Do you support a greater investment in end of life care services, including	A No I do not  Yes but the consultant should not be affiliated in any way with Medical Specialist Group – or for that matter, the States of Guernsey

	facilitating a specialist on-Island consultant in this field?	
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Question</b>	<b>Response</b>
Care in our Island and for our wider world	Would you support the widening of Gift Aid thresholds from the current limits of £500 (min) to £5,000 (max) along with the introduction of payroll giving? Please inform us in your response, by briefly setting out your reasons.	Do not have sufficient information to make an informed opinion
Poverty in the Community	What proposals would you like to bring forward to reduce poverty in various forms in the Island?	Provide tax credits for child and elder care
Faith in the environment and creation care	How can the States more effectively implement its policies for protecting the environment and enhancing biodiversity?	Increase use of green energy and establish programs at College of Further Education to teach biodiversity to post graduate level
Faith in schools	Do you support faith-based schools in the Island?	Do not have an opinion

	<p><i>Note the Island currently has faith-based schools within the States provision and private schools which are faith based or where faith forms part of the tradition and values of the school.</i></p> <p>Please explain your reasons in your response.</p>	
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### Part 3

Churches Convention for Candidates	Response
Do you agree with Guernsey Churches holding an event to engage with candidates in the Island wide elections and to inform their congregations of candidate responses?	<u>yes</u>
Please give us your comments on the evening, including aspects that worked well or you feel could have been arranged better, given both the circumstances and timescales we are operating under.	

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*Thank you for your responses.*

*If you have any further comments or questions please contact John Ogier on 01481 235030 or [johnogiergsy@gmail.com](mailto:johnogiergsy@gmail.com) or speak with me in person.*

*Please ensure your questionnaire is returned by email to [nikki.harvey@deanery.gq](mailto:nikki.harvey@deanery.gq) to arrive no later than **0900** on **Wednesday 23 September**.*