

## FAQ's

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### **Why have Party Politics?**

A political party of like-minded individuals all acting together toward common achievable goals is a positive force for progress for Jersey.

For our Island to continue to be successful and prosperous it must forge ahead with a shared consistent vision. The days of individualistic politics must be consigned to the past.

- Parties provide a consistency in approach.
- Parties earn political power and govern.
- Parties are forced to articulate disparate interests and viewpoints.
- Parties hold to task those already in power and likewise hold to task those in government
- Parties have a better chance to recruit and develop effective future leaders.

### **Why not continue with individual member politics?**

A political Party as a group of organised likeminded members in government can solve island challenges with decisiveness. The existing legislature of unaffiliated States of Jersey members has proved to be less than ideal as a democratic institution and it is time to resolve this.

The Progress Party, with clear coherent and Member supported policy, can accelerate positive growth in the economy. This in turn will assist all Islanders.

The Progress Party will, with your input, deliver a strong, cohesive and focused plan for our Island fit for the challenges ahead.

### **What are The Progress Party's core values?**

Our core values are the need:

- to sustain a diverse and successful economy for the benefit of all Islanders;
- for a balanced, sustainable and viable environment;
- to promote an inclusive and caring community;
- to support the mental and physical well-being of Islanders;
- to feel safe and secure in our island.



### **Who will lead The Progress Party?**

Until the first AGM our interim Leader will be Senator Steve Pallett.

Steve, working alongside his interim Executive Committee, will be tasked to steer The Progress Party to its first AGM. At that time the Leader and all the other offices of The Progress Party will be voted for by the Members.

The Leader and the interim Executive Committee as elected at the first AGM will be tasked and expected to deliver strong decisive leadership to progress the Party and Jersey forward.

In turn, with your support, your Leader will work with fellow party Members towards preparing for the next general election.

### **Why haven't you got more States Members?**

While like-minded sitting States Members are welcome to join The Progress Party, the membership criteria will be the same for them as for any Islander, they must sign up to the values and abide by the Party's Constitution. They will be expected to abide by the Party Whip.

### **Why have a Party Whip?**

The Progress Party has introduced the concept of Party Whip in the Constitution. The Party Whip will act as a liaison with States members who decide to become a member of the Party. The Party considers it essential for its members to speak with one voice.

### **Isn't this just the establishment party rebranding itself?**

The three interim Executive Committee members namely Steve Pallett, Steve Luce and Eddie Noel, jointly recognise the need for change and that change has to be driven by grassroots support. It certainly will not be the establishment rebranding itself

Over the coming months it is planned to engage with Islanders, to listen and take on board Islanders' concerns.

### **Why haven't you published your policies and a manifesto?**

The Progress Party wants to work with you, to deliver a positive future for Jersey.

In the coming months, we will hold road shows, consult with stakeholders and experts to really understand what you want, what our Island needs and develop our policies for our Island. We will listen, we will communicate, we will act.



### **How do Islanders join The Progress Party?**

The Progress Party is focused on grass roots involvement. We want the Progress Party and its policies to develop for the benefit of Islanders. We encourage members from all walks of life and backgrounds to join The Progress Party.

This is your Island, this is your party, this is your chance to make a real difference.