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## YOUR TOWN, YOUR VOICE, YOUR MONEY

**Ramsey** – Colourful, quirky, different, with a strong community and family feel. Some of the best shops on the Island, community hubs, places to support our well-being, cafes, restaurants, pubs and outdoor spaces. So many traders striding forward in uncertain times making waves and changes.

And not to mention, a fabulous beach, magnificent views, glens, walks and spaces to just sit awhile.

I love all of this about Ramsey and far from believing it's perfect I believe we, as a team, can expand on this gem, making it a place where people want to visit and those that live here really love it and feel valued.

The quality of most things is reflective of the questions asked so if you would like me to be a voice for you then here, in no particular order, are some of the questions I will be asking.

- How can we address the empty properties in Ramsey?
- What are the plans to develop the Quay?
- How can we best support the traders in town?
- What is really happening with Cummal Mooar and Cooil-ny-Marrey?
- How can we keep and make the best of our beach?
- What are the residents' thoughts and wishes for the town and the use of the outdoor space?
- Are we doing everything to support the vulnerable in our community?
- Are private and Commissioner housing up to scratch and fit for purpose?
- Are we creating opportunities and environments to hear town residents' opinions?
- Are we supporting and listening to our youngsters and the elderly?

I asked a few people who live elsewhere on the Island if they ever come to Ramsey and the response was 'what for?' Let's make the response 'Yes, I love a day out in Ramsey!'

My background includes nursing, cabin crew, hospice care at home, dispatcher in the Emergency Services Joint Control Room, BSc in Public Health at the IOM College, business owner, holistic health provider and consultancy work.



I've sat on boards of enterprise initiatives both public and private, and have worked with the Chamber of Commerce, charitable organisations and women in business, as well as providing leadership training and inspirational speaking. I believe some of these skills will be of use in the role of commissioner.

If you see me pottering around the parish with my two dogs (Winston, the lurcher and Clementine the whippet) please stop me for a chat.

I will advertise any clinics to be held in due course.

Sadly, I am unavoidably off Island the week of the elections, but I will have my phone with me and will also be checking emails.

Thank you for your time.

Sandra

**7<sup>th</sup> of March 2024 | Ramsey Town Hall, 8am-8pm | Register to vote - [www.gov.im/registertovote](http://www.gov.im/registertovote)**