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Wednesday, 17 November, 2021

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Dear Office of Human Resources,

As you may be aware, Isle of Man Newspapers have recently reported that Dr Henrietta Ewart, the Director of Public Health for the Isle of Man Department of Health and Social Care, will be a keynote speaker at a forthcoming party political conference on Sunday, 20 November, 2021.

A copy of the (online) report is reproduced overleaf, or you can view the article online here:

<http://iomtoday.co.im/article.cfm?id=64444&headline=Isle%20of%20Man%20Green%20Party%20organises%20conference&sectionIs=news&searchyear=2021>

As you would appreciate, it is normal in Westminster-derived political systems for the civil service to ensure that objectivity and political impartiality are maintained in all relationships to demonstrate integrity. I understand that the Isle of Man Government's Code of Conduct for Public Servants (last updated January 2017) does not appear to specifically impose such a requirement on Isle of Man Government staff.

Consequently, could you please advise if it is common for members of the Isle of Man Public Service to support partisan political events as keynote speakers? What guidance do you provide to public servants when attending such events? Is this part of an outreach effort to other community organisations, and if so, has Dr Ewart made efforts to attend events hosted by other political parties?

Thank you in advance for your advice on this issue.

Yours sincerely,

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## Isle of Man Green Party organises conference

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by iomtoday.co.im reporter



**The Isle of Man Green Party is holding its third ever Green Conference.**

It is open to the public and the Green Party wants to raise the profile of the expertise, knowledge, and the inspiring individuals in the Isle of Man.

It also wants to highlight issues such as building better homes, the importance and value of wellbeing, transforming politics and decarbonising the island's churches.

Party leader Andrew Langan-Newton said: 'After two successful Green Conferences in 2019 and 2020, the Green Party this year has four passionate and engaging speakers on important and highly relevant topics to inform a sustainable future for the Isle of Man.'

The Green Conference is free to attend, and no ticket is required.

It will take place Saturday, November 20, at the Masonic Hall, 17 Stanley Road, Peel IM5 1AW.

Immediately before the Green Conference (at the same venue), the party is hosting a lunch raising money for the food bank.

The agenda includes:

3pm: Julia Erskine, who will talk about building regulations.

3.30pm: Dr Henrietta Ewart, the director of public health, who will talk about the value of wellbeing

4.10pm: Keiran Hannifin, who stood unsuccessfully in September's general election, will talk about this time as a political outsider.

5.40pm: Dr Henry Uniacke, who will cover zero-carbon churches.



Dr Henrietta Ewart, director of public health for the Isle of Man Department of Health and Social Care -

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