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A message from Uachtarán Shinn Féin **Mary Lou McDonald TD**

Every day, Sinn Féin representatives are providing strong leadership and delivering positive change for communities across Ireland.

Nobody works harder for the communities and people we represent.

Sinn Féin is on the side of workers and families, working nationally and delivering locally.

We are leading the way to build a stronger, better and fairer country.

Tá muid ag obair le hÉireann a aontú.

The election on July 4th is a real opportunity to step forward towards a better future.

For a society that defends you when you are at your weakest, that encourages you when you are at your strongest.

Sinn Féin is committed to delivering on the things that matter most to workers and

families: healthcare, the cost of living, housing, education, childcare.

We are focused on what is possible to achieve if we work together, making politics work, and demonstrating that positive change is possible.

On day one after the Westminster election, Sinn Féin MPs will be working hard as part of a strong all-Ireland Sinn Féin team to deliver for all our people and communities.

So I am asking you to send a clear message in this election about what you want for the future.

To vote for strong leadership and positive change.

To vote for a party that is committed to working for all.

On July 4th
Vótáil Sinn Féin X.

Mary Lou McDonald TD
SINN FÉIN PRESIDENT



INTRODUCTION

Leas-Uachtarán
Shinn Féin First Minister

**Michelle
O'Neill MLA**



In this election people can send a clear message about what they want for the future.

By voting for Sinn Féin people are endorsing strong leadership, positive change, and a commitment to work for all.

You have an opportunity to vote for decisions about your life and your future to be made here, at home.

You are supporting better funding for our public services and rejecting years of Tory cuts which have impacted the people of the North.

And you are supporting a stronger economy, creating more well-paid jobs, and making childcare more accessible and affordable.

No matter what background or community people come from, Sinn Féin MPs will work hard and deliver on the things that matter to workers, families and businesses – the cost of living, health, education, good jobs and investing in local and rural communities.

Change will only be delivered in the North by all of us working together in the Executive and Assembly, but this election gives people a chance to send a clear message about the future they want.

Let's seize the opportunity to return the strongest Sinn Féin team and keep moving forward to a new and better future.

On July 4th vótáil Sinn Féin X.

Michelle O'Neill MLA
SINN FÉIN VICE PRESIDENT
FIRST MINISTER

Michelle O'Neill



STRONG LEADERSHIP

In this election Sinn Féin is asking you to endorse strong leadership and positive change.

We are committed to delivering effective government, progressive change, and good public services, working together with others in the Assembly, the Executive, and the North-South institutions.

Within the Executive Sinn Féin Ministers have set out a positive vision for change.

We want a stronger and fairer economy that delivers good jobs that pay well, offers workers secure conditions, and supports local business.

We want to increase productivity and opportunities for skills and training, regional balance in investment and job opportunities, accessible and affordable childcare - including for those with Special Educational Needs - and meet climate change targets through a fair and just transition to net zero.

We are committed to strong legal protections for workers and the right to join a trade union.

We are also committed to delivering the flagship projects committed to by the Executive such as the Magee University expansion, building the A5 and A6 roads, and the redevelopment of Casement Park.

Other projects that promote regional balance and the development of the all-island economy, such as Narrow Water Bridge and the Ulster Canal, must also be delivered.

We want to protect our environment including addressing the challenges facing Lough Neagh and the surrounding communities.

We will continue to fight for a fair funding model for the North which meets the needs of public services.

Sinn Féin has been central to the fightback against the negative, cuts-driven and destructive policies of the Tories, securing unique protections against the worst excesses of Brexit and austerity.

We will continue to offer strong leadership to all our people and communities with a commitment to work together with everyone to deliver positive change.

DELIVERING POSITIVE CHANGE

Sinn Féin MPs are part of an all-Ireland team driving forward change on this island.

In the Assembly and Executive, the Dáil, the European Parliament, in council chambers and in communities the length and breadth of Ireland, Sinn Féin representatives work together to represent the best interests of all the people on this island.

Sinn Féin will stand up for workers, families and communities and be their voice where it counts.

People want decisions about their lives and their future to be made here, at home, by locally accountable elected representatives and Ministers.

Dysfunction within British politics has brought us Brexit, austerity, a cost-of-living crisis, worsening poverty rates, the erosion of public services, and an appalling betrayal of victims.

People here want positive change, and Sinn Féin is the only party that offers an all-island approach to deliver that change.

Sinn Féin's influence has been central to the incredible transformation that has taken place in the North.

It was also key to securing protections that shielded Ireland from the worst impacts of Britain's catastrophic Brexit and austerity agenda.

In direct discussions with the British Government, the US, and the European Union we have consistently stood up for the rights of citizens.

We are absolutely committed to continue our support and solidarity to the people of Palestine. We will seize every opportunity to call for an immediate ceasefire, release of all hostages, humanitarian aid, an end to genocide, and a free and independent Palestinian state.

Sinn Féin MPs will continue to prioritise the interests of people and communities.

STANDING UP FOR PUBLIC SERVICES

Sinn Féin is committed to standing up for workers, families, rural and urban communities, to ensure they have access to first-class public services.

We need to see an end to the chronic underfunding of our public services and the undervaluing of our public service workers.

Sinn Féin has consistently challenged the British Government's under-funding of our public services - including its failure to give certainty to community organisations and farmers regarding the replacement of EU Funding.

We were central to negotiating an enhanced financial package that enabled the restoration of the power-sharing institutions.

Sinn Féin Finance Minister Caoimhe Archibald allocated £688 million to prioritise public sector pay awards on the restoration of the Executive.

Our Finance Minister has negotiated an improved funding arrangement for future budgets that will better equip us to protect the public services that people expect and deserve.

We also want to see multi-annual budgeting so that the Executive is better equipped to plan and make longer term investments such as tackling hospital waiting lists, rather than limiting departments to managing their budgets on a year-to-year basis.

All Executive departments continue to be impacted by underfunding from the British Treasury.

Sinn Féin continues to demand serious and sustained investment to put Executive finances on a stable footing.

This is vital to allow us to properly take forward the necessary investment in our public service workforces.

We will also continue to press for the transfer of fiscal powers to the Executive to allow it to protect existing services, and deliver improved public services going forward.

That includes powers for progressive taxation and the power to raise the minimum wage.

We cannot rely on a British Government which will always put its own interests above that of our public services and the people who live here.

Decisions should be taken here by locally accountable Executive Ministers and not by ministers in London who have repeatedly shown their disdain for our public services and workers.



PLANNING FOR CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE

The discussion on constitutional change is everywhere.

Partition has failed us all.

The Good Friday Agreement provides a peaceful and democratic pathway through a referendum process to achieve a new Ireland within the EU.

Constitutional change requires an Irish government to prepare for the future in a strategic and responsible fashion.

This includes establishing a Citizen's Assembly which creates an opportunity for people to engage in a dialogue addressing all the practical and positive possibilities that constitutional change can bring.

We need a process that facilitates generous engagement with those from all our communities on this island.

There is now a real opportunity to shape a more prosperous future in a stronger, better and fairer country.

An opportunity to create an efficient all-Ireland national health service, a sustainable housing system, affordable childcare, and a fair and just transition to a carbon neutral economy.

Resumption of full EU membership as a consequence of unity would hugely benefit the all-island economy.

Unity is central to building a modern, inclusive, accountable and fairer society and a country which can play its full part in the world.

The Irish and British governments must set a date for a referendum on Irish unity.

Now is the time to plan for the future.

BUILDING A SOCIETY FOR ALL

Sinn Féin is committed to an inclusive and diverse society based on equal rights and equal opportunities for all citizens.

There can be no place for sectarianism, racism, misogyny, homophobia, age or disability discrimination in our society.

The scourge of violence against women and girls must be addressed and an Ending Violence Against Women and Girls' (EVAWG) strategy must be delivered.

We want to create a safe, welcoming and inclusive society for all.

We want a society that values and celebrates the diversity of our identities, religious or none, sexual orientation, gender, disability, age, or ethnic origin.

We want women to be able to access the safe and legal health services they are entitled to.

We want to see parity of esteem for Irish culture and language as provided for in the Good Friday Agreement.

Sinn Féin will also uphold the rights of all victims of the conflict to information, maximum disclosure, and truth.

We vigorously oppose the provisions outlined in the British Government's Legacy Act.

It's time to address the legacy of the past by implementing the mechanisms agreed at Stormont House in a human rights compliant manner.

Sinn Féin will also continue to advocate for victims and survivors of institutional abuse to protect their right to truth, justice and redress that they have been denied for too long.



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