

ELECTION 2025
CANDIDATE PRIORITIES

CGi
CONFEDERATION OF GUERNSEY
industry

Introduction

- The CGi has championed the grass roots of local industry for 30 years
- We support members on many issues and challenges, advocating the vital role that private enterprise plays in driving jobs, innovation and economic growth.

Support local business

- Launch initiatives that provide mentoring, funding, digital skills training and emissions compliance support (scope 1, 2 and 3)
- Invest in the local infrastructure and services – transport, connectivity and housing
- Ensure meaningful consultation with business representatives on key economic policies.

Reject GST, support income tax rises

- The CGi strongly opposes the introduction of GST or broad-based consumption tax
- GST increases the cost of goods, adds administration and reduces household spending
- Instead, the CGi advocates an increase in personal income tax to address future deficits.

Cut red tape

- Review and relax excessive legislation that hampers growth, including banking, Anti-Discrimination Law, Trading Standards and Population Management (PML)
- Establish a business regulation review panel – involving industry

Connectivity

- Review of the Air Policy Framework by end of this year – with G8.

Relax employment legislation

- Protect and support recruitment / retention in key sectors – cleaning, care & transport
- Speed up processing times for new applications / renewal of existing permits
- No increase in the costs of STEP, 9/3 and long term permits
- Reintroduce PEAPS – the Population Employment Advisory Panel – and include industry.

Address lack of progress in key areas

- In partnership with the G8, we call for urgent action to address housing availability, increased commercial rents, supply chain costs and workforce shortages
- Request measurable action plans with timelines to address key challenges.

Conclusion

- We believe *all* businesses play a vital role in the local economy
- We urge you to support the CGi's priorities and stand up for the future of local enterprise
- Want to know more or share your thoughts? Contact enquiry@thecgi.net