

UNISON

Where do the candidates stand on the key issues?

The Assembly election on 5th May comes at a critical time for UNISON members and their families. After two incredibly tough years responding to the Covid-19 pandemic, key workers are now facing into a cost-of-living emergency. As you prepare to cast your vote, UNISON suggests you ask some key questions of candidates and consider these issues when looking at the party manifestos.

Resources for Public Services

The key issues UNISON wants to see action taken on will require sustained investment in our public services, to help us rebuild from the pandemic and deal with the cost-of-living emergency. What will your party do to secure the resources public services in Northern Ireland need?

Put Pay Right

Key workers are struggling to meet rapidly rising costs of living. What will your party do to Put Pay Right for key workers?

Safe Staffing

What actions will your party take to tackle the health and social care staffing crisis and will your party support the introduction of safe staffing legislation?

Free School Meals

Will your party support the introduction of universal, nutritious free school meals for all, and will you continue the School Holiday Food Grants scheme?

Anti-Poverty Strategy

Is your party committed to bringing forward an Anti-Poverty Strategy based on objective need?

Workers' Rights

Will your party support the introduction of legislation to strengthen workers' rights, implementing commitments made within 'New Decade, New Approach', and enhancing collective bargaining rights?

Equality Strategies

Is your party committed to advancing the range of equality strategies included within 'New Decade, New Approach'?

Childcare Strategy

Is your party committed to the delivery of the long-overdue Childcare Strategy, with decent pay and terms and conditions for the workforce?

Just Transition and Climate Emergency

Is your party committed to the principle of a Just Transition that secures the future of workers and their communities?

Power Sharing

What commitments will your party make to sharing power and working together to improve the lives of UNISON members and their families?

The UNISON Assembly Election Manifesto lays out the priority actions all parties and candidates running in this election must commit to take within a new Executive and Assembly.

You can read the full UNISON manifesto here:

<https://online.flippingbook.com/view/907386714/>

