

David McGuigan

I'm standing for the douzaine because I'd love the opportunity to contribute to the present and future of the parish, and help continue to make it a great place to live, work and visit.

I've lived in St. Peter Port for practically my entire adult life, having grown up in St. Andrew's. I now live on Le Grand Bouet with my wife Megan, who moved here 13 years ago from the USA, and have experienced living in town centre flats, shared houses, and am now very happily based in the suburbs.

I work for a local law firm as the Service Desk Manager and have always been drawn to service roles as I like to make other people's days and lives better where I can. I have a logical mind, which helps make me a good problem solver, and have been in management roles professionally for over 15 years.

Over the years I've gained valuable experience dealing with, speaking with, and more importantly listening to people of all ages and life experiences, which I believe puts me in a good position to help out at the parish level.

I took the opportunity to volunteer at a St. Peter Port polling station during the recent island wide election, which I found to be an enjoyable and rewarding experience. This made me keen to look further into how I can be of service, having met and spoken with some of the douzaine and administrative team.

I served on the committee of CineGuernsey – the award-winning local film society that ran in the 2000s – including a spell as chairman, during which time we showcased a variety of new and classic films, and put on a number of outdoor screenings in locations such as Candie Gardens and the Market Building.

I was also a juror for the Guernsey Lily amateur film festival during its time, a weekend that used to draw film makers and enthusiasts to the island from all over Europe.

Events such as these have given me valuable experience in being both in front of and behind the scenes, and the work involved. You only have to look at the success of Liberation Day 2025, the Guernsey Street Festival, and the excellent Seafront Sundays –

and now Saturdays – to see that there is a healthy appetite for occasions that allow us to showcase our town.

Becoming a douzenier would give me the opportunity to give something back to the parish in which my wife and I live, and where I have friends, colleagues and acquaintances. It would also give me the opportunity to meet with and hear from the wide range of people living here, to ensure that we're doing all that we can to improve your daily lives and experiences.

We also need to remember to serve not only those visiting for a holiday, but also those from other parts of the island. It's vital that St. Peter Port is accessible and welcoming for all, no matter how long or short their visit or residency may be. We have many opportunities throughout the year for new and growing local businesses and charities to showcase their wares, causes and talents to the public, and should continue to make St. Peter Port the place from which to do this.

I believe we can work together to continue to make this a great place to both live and visit, whether you've been here for years, or are new to the island and looking to feel welcomed and appreciated.

Thank you for reading, I'd very much appreciate your vote, and the chance to be a part of the douzaine team.