



## "Women in Manx Politics"

panel and audience discussion

**Manx Legion Club, Market Hill, Douglas**

**7:30 pm MONDAY 29th October 2018**

**The event is free and open to all** At the last census in 2016 there were 42,045 females out of an island population of 83,314. So women made up over half the population of the Isle of Man. True representation would see 12 MHKs elected and 4 MLCs.

Although much is made of the fact that women in the Isle of Man were given the vote back in 1881 very few women have stood for office and served in the House of Keys or Tynwald over the last 130 years.

Why is that? What is holding women back? What is their experience once elected?

The Positive Action Group (PAG) hopes to encourage debate on the important subject of Women in Manx Politics through its next meeting on October 29th.

Past and present female politicians will form a panel to answer questions, relate their personal experiences and explore suggestions that might improve the situation and encourage more women to take part in politics.

Panel consists of:

- **Kate Beecroft MHK and former Minister for Health**
- **Daphne Cain MHK**
- **Ann Corlett MHK**
- **Hazel Hannan former MHK,**
- **Jane Poole-Wilson MLC (Equality Champion)**
- **Kerry Sharpe MLC**