

Anonymous donators stay silent

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From the [Manx Radio website](#) today:

There's been no word from Kevin Woodford, his campaign office, or those administering the Manx Election Trust since the chief minister's call for an end to anonymous political donations.

In Tynwald yesterday (Tuesday), Tony Brown said voters were entitled to know who financed the campaigns of people running for public office.

Mr Brown has referred the matter to the Council of Ministers' Governance Committee for urgent consideration and has made it clear he wants to see an end to the practice.

The matter was raised in response to a Tynwald question about backing for election candidates by so-called blind trusts.

The newly-formed Manx Election Trust is backing Mr Woodford in next week's Douglas East by-election.

The other people contesting the seat are Kate Beecroft of the Liberal Vannin Party, and independent candidates Colin Cain, Chris Heath, John Joughin and Chris Robertshaw.