My Commitments

- All my policies will be based on evidence which proves any plan will truly be for the people’s benefit.
- I will listen to and take on board what people tell me they need to improve their lives.
- I will be honest and open, unlike most politicians in this country.
- I’ll make sure your streets are swept and schools remain open, even when an election isn't around the corner.

About me

I was born in 1973 and grew up in Liverpool, educated in local schools and worked here my whole life, in jobs ranging from labourer to University Lecturer.

I am a published academic and completed a Ph.D. in psychology at the Liverpool John Moores University in 2014.

I am an outspoken Transhumanist, and as such I am a keen supporter of the potential for technology to transform humanity and society for the better. I firmly believe in the Transhumanist ideal - that technology can and should be used to overcome human limitation in all its forms.
Introducing Transhumanist Politics

Walton is a safe seat. You already know who is going to win this election. In fact, it looks like business as usual across the whole country. But we live in a time of incredible changes, and we need to decide how to make the best of those changes if Liverpool and Great Britain are to thrive in the 21st century. We can pretend that nothing is changing and hope for the best, or we can think about the future we really want.

Current politicians base their ideas on ideologies, and make promises that melt away as soon as elections are over. We can’t go on running the country like that as we enter an age of extreme challenges and incredible promise. Transhumanists believe in the potential of science and technology, so we base our policies on evidence. We need to build solutions for a better Britain in ways that seriously invest in the latest science to get what the nation wants and needs. Solutions which can’t be unplugged by politicians the moment bankers lose interest.

In its periods of greatest prosperity and influence, Britain has always embraced the latest technologies to ride waves of change. The time has come to do so again. “Bright Green” technologies can be used to clean up the environment and develop alternative energy sources. New types of digital currency could be used to deeply reform the welfare system, ensuring that no-one is abandoned and all citizens have access to basic sustenance, energy, clothing, shelter, education, healthcare, transport and information.

Major change is coming over the next few years, but politicians aren’t thinking about it seriously, because talking about it won’t get them elected right now. Here in Liverpool Walton we have a chance to think about how we can look after our community in the longer term. About how we’re going to need to do things very differently to meet the challenges of the 21st Century.

You could even help encourage other people to join the conversation, by voting for me. Your vote won’t change the election result, but people will see that here in Walton we want to look past the old politics and have a serious talk about the future.

Vote Transhumanist!

Local Issues

If Liverpool is to escape the recession we must first build our way out, then pay for the costs once the economy is thriving again. This is opposed to Westminster’s “austerity logic”, which argues that by removing the wheels we can somehow make our car quicker on the road.

With this in mind I advocate:

1. Accelerating the expansion of Liverpool’s knowledge sector: Enterprises and institutions linked to the knowledge sector must receive further support and funding to create more local jobs.

2. Making Liverpool the world’s first pure “Fibre to the Desktop” city: This would place us at the top of the league for city-wide domestic internet speeds and encourage innovation and the return of technology firms to the city. Offering additional free Wi-Fi will complete the deal.

3. Expanding Liverpool’s freight ports and upgrading its transport: Liverpool’s success can be multiplied by increasing its economic connections to other parts of the nation, particularly in the ‘Lower North’ of England— first to Manchester, then to Sheffield, Leeds and expanded Humber mouth. Liverpool can become the critical western gateway of a ‘lower northern economic stripe’, with better access to the Irish and North Seas.

4. Expanding projects such as “Liverpool Waters” to include VAT free and corporate tax free zones: To attract a wide variety of industries, from manufacturing to knowledge-based, bringing work and capital into the city.

5. Further capitalising on Liverpool’s value as a centre for tourism and leisure: To do this a tourism/leisure sector must be created in the city centre and cruise ship access must finally be encouraged and expanded.

What I Stand For

We should embrace the radical transformational potential of technology. I wish to engage with politicians of all parties to build a brighter future for Liverpool and Great Britain.

I call for:

- **Reducing pressure on the NHS:** Not by selling it off to private industry, but by putting more money into regenerative medicine, to combat the causes of age-related disease. We should ease the burden on medical staff through access to the latest technologies, denied to them by recent cuts. Finally, we must prevent illness by making it easy to live well.

- **A new social contract:** Jobs are already being lost because of automation. This trend is set to explode in the coming years. The establishment are ignoring the problem or making it worse. People’s ability to earn a decent living will only get worse over time. We must discuss a Universal Basic Income - and what it means to be in work and education - so we don’t just survive but thrive in these times of radical change.

- **Deep reform of the democratic process:** Use new digital tools to make government more transparent and accountable to citizens. We need further devolution of real power to GB’s nations and regions.

- **Fast-tracking innovative technologies:** We need to invest in the latest technologies to regenerate the economy and guarantee a brighter future. If not, short term savings will deprive us of the chance to improve our lives and we will fall behind in global competition.

- **Education transformed ready for a better future:** We must have the option of lifelong FREE education so we can realistically adapt and re-join the workforce throughout our lives.

- **A progressive Transhumanist rights agenda:** We need equal rights and opportunity for all, rich or poor.

- **A new perspective on the risks and challenges:** Politicians of all stripes need to recognize the impact new technologies have on the environment and society, and develop strategies to manage this ahead of when people’s lives are affected. Technology can and should benefit everyone, not just the powerful.