

# States Champion for Disabled People 2012 - Manifesto

## Deputy John Gollop

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I have just been elected a member of SSD, and to Legislation. Being a team member at SSD will allow me to move the disability agenda forward. I may not be able to specifically campaign against policies or other specific issues but I can work in partnership, I hope, with greater understanding of welfare issues.

Key priorities for me as Champion will be:-

1. Inviting expert speakers from outside Guernsey to inform vision and best practice
2. Driving forward progressive legislation on disability discrimination and attitudes
3. Ensuring the new Autism and Communication Service at Education is fully empowered
4. Supporting Emily Yerby on 2020 Vision, Equalities, Health Wellbeing and Inclusion
5. Promoting a more integrated and effective Social Policy that cares and reforms

As a person with Asperger syndrome, I feel I know the issues personally and live with challenges and prejudice. I already connect and contact many people in the GDA community and reflect their unique perspectives.

I believe I can act as a beacon of hope, inspire Disabled People and stimulate partnership between the States and voluntary organisations. I will challenge complacency as any of us could be affected by disability constraints at any time.

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