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Foreword from Martin McGuinness

2016 is an important year for the people of Ireland, marking the 100th anniversary of the Easter Rising. The Proclamation of the Irish Republic commits to pursuing the happiness and prosperity of the whole nation and all of its parts, cherishing all the children of the nation equally.

That historic document is a clear statement of intent for an all-Ireland Republic built on the foundations of civil and religious liberty, social justice and equality for all citizens. It remains the mission statement of modern Irish republicanism and its principles guide us in government today.

Almost 100 years, after the imposition of partition it is clear that it has failed all of our people politically, socially and economically. We will build support for island wide referendums on Irish unity within the lifetime of the next Assembly to deliver an agreed Ireland with equal rights for all.

We have had five years of political instability as a result of Tory austerity and also negativity and blatant opportunism by some political parties.

We worked hard to come up with alternatives to offset the worst excess of the Tory cuts agenda. We did this by creating jobs, reducing unemployment, protecting essential public services and securing over £500 million to support those in need including vulnerable children and adults.

We also prioritised preventing the imminent return of Direct Rule and delivering stable, functioning power-sharing institutions. The Fresh Start negotiations last year were about drawing a line in the sand and changing how we do business.

We need a government that works coherently and collectively. We need equality and respect to be at the heart of how we do business and we need to deliver for people across society.

We are committed to developing all-Ireland co-operation and implementing practical proposals that are to the mutual benefit of everyone.

We are committed to campaigning against Brexit as it would be bad for Ireland politically, economically and socially. Sinn Féin's vision is of a changed Europe which properly serves the sovereign and democratic needs of its member states.

My priority is to bring forward and implement a Programme for Government that grows the economy, provides proper public services and promotes equality and inclusion.

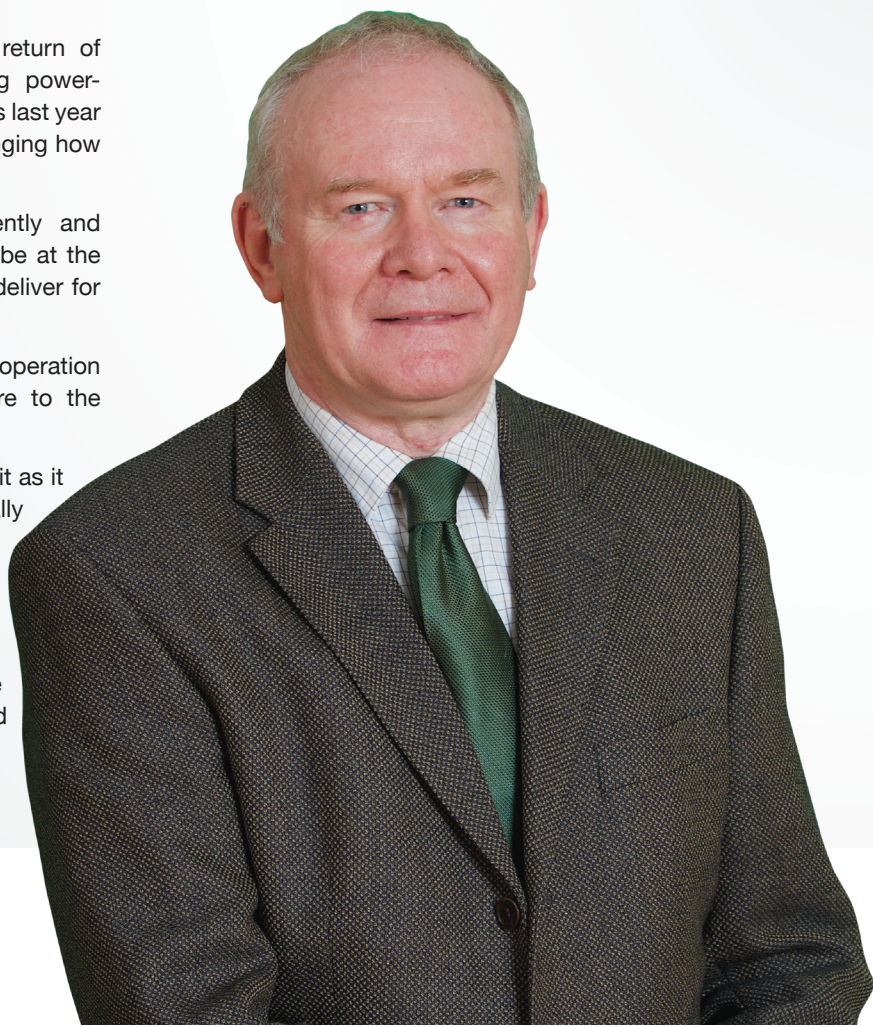
The peace process remains one of the most important dynamics in modern Irish history and it shows us what is possible when we show positive leadership. Sinn Féin has a strong track record on delivering for you.

This manifesto sets out what Sinn Féin wants to deliver, building on the work of the last five years. You know that you can trust Sinn Féin with the political institutions, trust us with the peace process and trust us to deliver.

I am asking for your support so that Sinn Féin can build on the success of the General Election and we can deliver for all of the people of Ireland. My commitment to you for the next five years is to stand up for what is right, to build on the enormous progress already made and to deliver a better future for all.

Is mise,

Martin McGuinness



Réamhrá ó Martin McGuinness

Bliain mhór do mhuintir na hÉireann is ea 2016 nó 100 bliain ó Éirí Amach na Cásca atá ann. Gheallann Forógra Phoblacht na hÉireann go lorgfar sonas agus rath an náisiúin uile agus a codanna go léir, ag cumhdach leanaí uile an náisiúin go cothrom.

Is é atá sa doiciméad stairiúil sin léiriú soiléir intinne ar son Phoblacht uile-Éireann bunaithe ar dhúshraith na saoirse sibhialta agus creidimh, na córa sóisialta agus an chomhionannais do gach saoránach. Is é go fóill ráiteas misin phoblachtánachas na hÉireann inniu agus is iad na prionsabail seo a threoraíonn sinn go fóill.

I ndiaidh beagnach 100 bliain ó tharla an chríochdheighilt is soiléir go ndearna sé dochar polaitiúil, sóisialta agus geilleagarach do mhuintir na hÉireann uile. Cuirfimid tacaíocht ar fáil ar bhonn uile-Oileánda le haghaidh reifreann ar Aontacht na hÉireann le linn thréimhse an tionóil seo agus Éire chothrom do chách.

Tá cúig bliana d'éagobhsaíocht pholaitiúil i ndiaidh a bheith againn mar gheall ar dhéine na dTóraithe agus mar gheall, chomh maith, ar dhiúltachas agus ar bhrabúsacht gan náire ag cuid páirtithe polaitiúla.

D'oibrigh muid go crua le smaoineamh ar bhealaí eile leis an chuid is measa de chlár ciorruithe na dTóraithe a mhaolú. Rinne muid seo trí phoist a chruthú, ag laghdú na dífhostaíochta, ag cosaint seirbhísí poiblí ríthábhachtacha agus ag fáil níos mó ná £500 milliún le tacú leo siúd atá faoi anás, lena n-áirítear leanaí agus aosaigh atá soghonta.

Thug muid tús áite, chomh maith, do chosc a chur ar an riail dhíreach teach ar ais go luath agus institiúidí roinnte cumhachta feidhmiúla a chur ar fáil. Bhain na caibidlí ar Thús Úr anuraidh le líne a tharraingt sa ghaineamh agus an dóigh a ndéanaimid gnó a athrú.

Tá rialtas uainn a fheidhmíonn go comhtháiteach agus le chéile. Tá muid ag iarraidh comhionannas agus meas a bheith mar bhunchloch den dóigh a ndéanaimid gnó agus caithfimid beart a dhéanamh do dhaoine ar fud na sochaí.

Tá muid tiomanta comhoibriú uile-Éireann a fhorbairt agus moltaí praiticiúla a chur i bhfeidhm atá chun comhleas gach uile dhuine.

Is é mo thosaíochtsa Clár Rialtais a thabhairt chun cinn agus a chur i bhfeidhm a mhéadóidh an geilleagar, a chuirfidh ar fáil seirbhísí poiblí cuí agus a chuirfidh chun cinn an comhionannas agus an cuimsiú.

Tá próiseas na síochána go fóill ar cheann de na dinimicí is tábhachtaí i nuastair na hÉireann agus léiríonn sé dúinn an méid is féidir a dhéanamh nuair a thugaimid ceannasaíocht dhearfach. Tá cuntas teiste láidir ag Sinn Féin ag déanamh birt duitse.

Leagtar amach san fhorógra seo an méid atá Sinn Féin ag iarraidh a chur i gcrích, ag tógáil ar obair atá déanta le cúig bliana anuas. Tá a fhios agat go dtig leat muinín a bheith agat i Sinn Féin leis na hinstiúidí polaitiúla, muinín a bheith agat le próiseas na síochána agus muinín a bheith agat beart a dhéanamh de réir ár briathair.

Is é mo ghealltanais sa duitse sna cúig bliana seo romhainn an fód a sheasamh ar son an chirt, tógáil ar an dul chun cinn ollmhór atá déanta go sea agus todhchaí níos fearr a thabhairt do chách.

Is mise,

Martin McGuinness



Introduction from Gerry Adams

A chairde,

I commend this manifesto to voters in the north. It contains Sinn Féin's commitments and our proposals for a better, more equal and prosperous society.

Across the island of Ireland Sinn Féin is engaging with communities, advocating social and economic justice and campaigning for an end to partition and divisions.

This manifesto is a positive alternative to the conservative politics of unionism and others.

It is about uniting people, not dividing them.

It is about creating jobs, defending public services, supporting business and communities, and building a better way forward.

In the recent elections in the 26 counties Sinn Féin secured a historic victory becoming the third largest party with 23 TDs – the largest number we have had since the 1920's.

The Assembly elections provide an opportunity to continue to build on this success and as the only all-Ireland party to advance our republican goals of unity, equality and parity of esteem.

This manifesto will also form the platform for our Assembly team to engage on as part of our responsibility to negotiate a Programme for Government.

Is mise

Gerry Adams

Réamhrá ó Gerry Adams

A chairde,

Molaim an forógra do vótóirí sa tuaisceart.

Istigh ann tá gealltanais Shinn Féin agus ár moltaí faoi choinne sochaí níos fearr, níos cothroime agus níos rathúla.

Ar fud oileán na hÉireann tá Sinn Féin ag plé le pobail, ag tacú le ceartas sóisialta agus eacnamaíoch agus ag feachtasaíocht le deireadh a chur leis an chríochdheighilt agus le scoilteanna.

Rogha dheartach atá san fhorógra seo atá ina mhalairt ar pholaitíocht choimeádach an aontachtachais agus na codach eile acu.

Baineann sé le daoine a aontú, chan a scoilt.

Baineann sé le poist a chruthú, seirbhísí poiblí a chosaint, tacú le gnólachtaí agus pobail, agus bealach chun tosaigh níos fearr a thógáil.

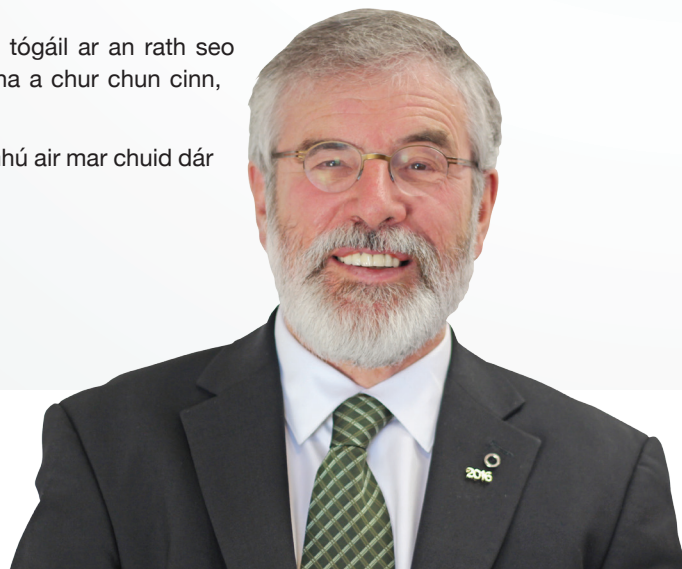
Sna toghcháin le deireanas sna 26 chontae fuair Sinn Féin bua stairiúil, iad ar an tríú páirtí is mó le 23 TD – an líon is mó dá raibh againn ó na 1920í.

Tugann na toghcháin Tionóil deis dúinn le leanúint ar aghaidh ag tógáil ar an rath seo mar aon t-aon pháirtí uile-Éireann lenár spriocanna poblachtánacha a chur chun cinn, aontacht, comhionannas agus paireacht ghradaim.

Beidh an forógra seo mar chuid de chlár ár bhfoirne Tionóil le gníomhú air mar chuid dár bhfreagracht le Clár Rialtais a chaibidil.

Is mise,

Gerry Adams



Sinn Féin's 10 Point Programme:

1. **Economy - 50,000 new jobs;**
2. **Housing - 10,000 new social and affordable homes;**
3. **Health – £1 billion additional health spending;**
4. **Welfare – £500 million to help those in need;**
5. **Education – Increase to £525 million spend on Childcare and Early Child Development Initiatives;**
6. **Infrastructure – £6 billion to improve roads, transport and public services;**
7. **Rural - Extend fast-speed broadband to rural communities;**
8. **Tackling Crime – ring-fence funding for front line policing;**
9. **Equality – promote equality measures for all people and all communities.**
10. **Building the momentum towards Irish Unity**

Clár 10 bPointe Shinn Féin:

1. **Geilleagar – 50,000 post nua;**
2. **Tithíocht – 10,000 teach nua sóisialta agus inacmhainne;**
3. **Sláinte – £1 billiún breise i gcaiteachas sláinte;**
4. **Leas – £500 milliún le cuidiú le daoine faoi anás;**
5. **Oideachas – an caiteachas ar thionscnaimh cúraim leanaí agus luathfhorbairt leanaí a mhéadú go £525m;**
6. **Infrastruchtúr – £6 billiún le bóithre, iompar agus seirbhísí poiblí a fheabhsú;**
7. **Faoin tuath – leathanbhanda tapa a leathnú go pobail faoin tuath;**
8. **Dul i ngleic le coiriúlacht – maoiniú a imfhálú don phóilíneacht ar an líne thosaigh;**
9. **Comhionannas – bearta comhionannais a chur chun cinn do gach duine agus do gach pobal.**
10. **Ag tógáil an mhóimintim i dtreo Aontacht na Éireann**



SINN FÉIN'S RECORD IN GOVERNMENT

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The Executive has:

- Secured £3.5 billion of Foreign Direct Investment;
- Created more than 40,000 jobs;
- Secured in excess of £500 million from Europe through, Structural Funds, Interreg and Peace Funding;
- Spent over £90 million a week delivering the range of health and social care services across the north;
- Since 2011, employed 930 more nurses, 460 more allied health professionals and 240 more medical and dental consultants;
- Stopped the introduction of water charges. This is the only part of these islands where people do not have to pay a domestic water bill;
- Kept our rates bill linked to the level of inflation;
- Kept prescriptions free for everyone and protected free domiciliary care;
- Maintained grants and affordable fees for students;
- Stopped the bedroom tax;
- Prevented unmitigated welfare cuts through agreeing a range of welfare changes to continue to support the most vulnerable across society with funding of over £500 million;
- Provided free travel for pensioners.

Invested in Education

Since 2011 the Sinn Féin Education Minister John O'Dowd has spent more than £22million every week on children's education to give all children the best chance of success.

- Provided additional Pre-School Places;
- Provided for Nurture Units for Early Years Development;
- Provided Resources for Breakfast Clubs & Homework Clubs;
- Improved educational outcomes for the most disadvantaged, 58.5% of children receiving Free School Meals now obtain 5 GCSEs A* - C, compared to 31.5% previously;
- Broadened criteria to ensure more pupils are entitled to Free School Meals and School Uniform Grants;
- Saved the Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) from being abolished;
- Invested £45 million in Irish Medium Education;
- Invested £233 million in Integrated Education;
- Invested £1.2 billion in new school builds and upgrading classroom facilities.

Invested in Agriculture and Rural communities

Sinn Féin Minister Michelle O'Neill has been a

champion for rural Ireland and has delivered legislation that sees the needs of rural communities embedded in government decision-making.

- Delivered the largest ever rural development programme the north has ever seen;
- Delivered the first ever full decentralisation of a government department, moving hundreds of jobs into rural areas;
- Secured reforms to the Common Agriculture Policy in 2014, resulting in a fairer distribution of farm payments;
- Delivered up to £250m of funding for the Farm Business Improvement Scheme and £10m for rural tourism;
- Increased the local fishing quota and safeguarded the interest of the fishing industry by progressing access to the European Marine Fisheries Fund.

Invested in Arts, Sports and Culture

Sinn Féin Minister Carál Ní Chuilín prioritised investment in sports facilities, intervened to ensure families of victims could access information at PRONI and developed the LIOFA Irish language project.

- Over £500 million invested in the culture, arts and leisure sectors since 2011;
- Almost £73 million invested since 2011 in arts organisations;
- £12.6m invested in City of Culture development, with an additional £7 million for legacy activities across the North West;
- £130 million invested in sports facilities with ongoing Stadium Programme Developments for Rugby, Soccer and Gaelic Games;
- £4.5 million of funding over the last three years to soccer, rugby and the GAA to tackle poverty and social exclusion through sport;
- Given the vital role libraries play within the community, significant resources have been invested in enhancing library services including new facilities in Kilkeel, Lisnaskea and Moira and in protecting library services in general;
- Protected the homecall and mobile library services to ensure continued access for people with disabilities, older people and those who are socially isolated;
- Access to information – introduced a new process that offers victims' families the right to obtain inquest or court records which is held at the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland (PRONI);
- Equality for Irish language speakers - Published draft legislation on Acht na Gaeilge; Since 2011, more than 18,000 people signed up to Liofa, and almost £200,000 bursaries awarded for parents who cannot afford to send children to the Gaeltacht.

The Office of the First and Deputy First Minister has:

- Already committed £67 million of a £80m Social Investment Fund with the full £80 million to be committed by the end of the summer;
- Established Six Programmes, totalling £27 million, to tackle issues of literacy and numeracy, pathways to employment for young people, family support hubs, nurture units, parenting programmes and social economy hubs;
- A Childcare Grant Scheme for a range of school age childcare places with funding of £4.5 million to create or sustain over 2,700 places;
- Over £5 million committed to voluntary and community organisations working with minority ethnic people and groups including Refugees and Asylum Seekers;
- Established a Crisis Fund for Refugees and Asylum Seekers;
- Welcomed 51 Syrian Refugees to Belfast in December 2015 with the next group of Syrian Refugees expected to shortly;
- Adopted a policy of attaining greater diversity in public appointments with improved representation of all under-represented groups including disabled persons, women, young people and ethnic minorities;
- Introduced targets for achieving Gender Equality on Public Boards;
- Invested £67 million to support victims and survivors since 2011;
- Developed a United Youth Programme, providing over 300 places for 16 -24 year olds not in employment, education or training;
- Delivered 101 summer camps for 4,000 children and young people aged 11-19 aimed at building positive relations;
- Provided funding for 10 shared education campuses;
- Created a number of Urban Villages and Shared Neighbourhoods;
- Introduced a Cross-Community Sports Programme, using sport as a key component of breaking down divisions within our society;
- Reduced interface barriers from 59 to 52 with parts of three other structures removed.

Tá a leanas déanta ag an Fheidhmeannas:

- £3.5 billiún d'Infheistíocht Eachtrannach Dhíreach faighte;
- Níos mó ná 40,000 post cruthaithe;
- Níos mó ná £500 milliún faighte ón Eoraip trí Chistí Struchtúrtha, Interreg agus Maoiniú Síochána;
- Níos mó ná £90 milliún sa tseachtain caite ag cur ar fáil réimse seirbhísí sláinte agus cúraim shóisialta ar fud an tuaiscirt;
- Ó 2011 i leith, 930 níos mó altra, 460 níos mó gairmí sláinte gaolmhar agus 240 níos mó comhairleoir leighis agus fioclóra fostaithe;
- Stop curtha le muirir uisce a thabhairt isteach. Seo an t-aon áit sna hoileáin seo nach gcaithfidh daoine bille uisce baile a íoc;
- Ár mbille rátaí coinnithe nasctha le leibhéal an bhoilscithe;
- Oidís coinnithe saor do gach duine agus cúram baile cosanta;
- Deontais agus táillí inacmhainne a coinnithe do mhic léinn;
- Stop curtha leis an cháin seomra leapa;
- Cosc curtha le ciorruithe leasa gan mhaolú trí chomhaontú le réimse athruithe leasa le leanúint ar aghaidh ag tacú leis na daoine is soghonta sa tsochaí le maoiniú nach lú ná £500 milliún;
- Taisteal saor in aisce curtha ar fáil do phinsinéirí.

Infheistíocht déanta in Oideachas

Ó 2011 i leith tá níos mó ná £22 milliún gach seachtain caite ag Aire Oideachais Shinn Féin, John O'Dowd, ar oideachas leanaí leis an tseans is fearr a thabhairt do gach leanbh do ndéanfaidh siad dul chun cinn.

- Áiteanna breise réamhscoile curtha ar fáil;
- Aonaid Muirnithe curtha ar fáil le haghaidh forbairt luathbhlianta;
- Acmhainní curtha ar fáil do chlubanna bricfeasta & do chlubanna obair bhaile;
- Torthaí oideachais feabhsaithe do na leanaí is mó atá faoi mhíbhuntáiste, faigheann 58.5% de leanaí a fhaigheann béile scoile saor in aisce 5 GCSE A* - C anois, i gcomparáid le 31.5% roimhe seo;
- Critéir leathnaithe lena chinntiú go bhfuil níos mó daltaí i dteideal béilte scoile saor in aisce agus deontais do chulaith scoile;
- An Liúntas Cothabhála Oideachais sábháilte óna chur ar ceal;
- £45 milliún infheistithe sa Ghaelscolaíocht;
- £233 milliún infheistithe san Oideachas Imeachta;
- £1.2 billiún infheistithe i dtógálacha nua scoile agus ag uasghrádú áiseanna i seomraí ranga.

Infheistíocht déanta i bpobail talmhaíochta agus faoi tuath

Bhí Aire Shinn Féin, Michelle O'Neíll, ina crann taca le tuath na hÉireann agus tá reachtaíocht curtha i gcrích aici a dhaingnigh riachtanais phobail na tuaithe i gcinnteoireacht rialtais.

- An clár forbartha tuaithe is mó a chonacthas sa Tuaisceart riamh a curtha ar fáil;
- An chéad dílárú iomlán riamh ar roinn rialtais, ag bogadh na céadta post go ceantair thuaithe;
- Athchóirithe faighte ar Chomhbheartas Talmhaíocht in 2014, agus mar gheall air sin dáiltear íocaíocht feirme ar bhonn níos cothromaí;
- Nís mó ná £250m de mhaoiniú curtha ar fáil don Scéim Feabhsaithe Gnó Feirmeoireachta agus £10m don turasóireacht tuaithe;
- An cuóta iascaireachta áitiúil méadaithe agus cosanta chun leasa don tionscadal iascaireachta trí rochtain a thabhairt chun cinn ar an Chiste Eorpach d'Iascaigh Mara.

Infheistíocht déanta sna hEalaíona, Spóirt agus Cultúr

Rinne Aire Shinn Féin Carál Ní Chuilín infheistíocht in áiseanna spóirt, rinne sí idirghabháil lena chinntiú go dtiocfadh le teaghlaigh íospartach eolas a rochtain ag PRONI agus d'fhorbairt sí an tionscadal Gaeilge LÍOFA.

- Níos mó ná £500 milliún infheistithe in earnáil an chultúir, ealaíon agus fóillíochta ó 2011 i leith;
- Beagnach £73 milliún infheistithe ó 2011 i leith in eagraíochtaí ealaíon;
- £12.6m infheistithe i bhforbairt Chathair an Chultúir, le £7 milliún breise do ghníomhaíochtaí oidhreacht ar fud an Iarthuaiscirt;
- £130 milliún infheistithe in áiseanna spóirt le Forbairtí Cláir Staidiam do rugbaí, sacar agus cluichí gaelacha;
- £4.5 milliún de mhaoiniú le trí bliana anuas do shacar, rugbaí agus CLG le dul i ngleic le bochtaineacht agus eisiámh sóisialta trí spóirt;
- Agus an ról ríthábhachtach a imríonn leabharlanna sa phobal, infheistíodh acmhainní suntasacha ag feabhsú seirbhísí leabharlainne lena n-áirítear áiseanna nua i gCill Chaoil, Lios na Scéith agus Maigh Rath agus seirbhísí leabharlainne go ginearálta a chosaint;
- Na seirbhísí glao baile agus leabharlann mhóibíleach cosanta lena chinntiú go bhfuil rochtain ag daoine atá faoi mhíchumas, daoine níos sine agus daoine atá scoite go sóisialta;
- Rochtain ar eolas – próiseas nua tugtha isteach a thugann do theaghlaigh íospartach an ceart taifid coistí cróinéara nó cúirte atá á gcoinneáil ag

- PRONI a rochtain;
- Comhionannas do Ghaeilgeoirí – dréachtreachtaíocht ar Acht na Gaeilge foilsithe; ó 2011 i leith, chláraigh níos mó ná 18,000 duine le Líofa, agus bronnadh beagnach £200,000 sparánacht do thuismitheoirí nach bhfuil an acmhainn acu leanaí a chur chun na Gaeltachta.

Tá na rudaí seo a leanas déanta ag Oifig an Chéad Aire agus an LeasChéad-Aire:

- £67 milliún geallta cheana féin as Ciste Infeistíochta Sóisialta £80m leis an £80 iomlán le bheith geallta faoi dheireadh an tsamhraidh;
- Sé chlár bunaithe, arb ionann iad agus £27 milliún, le dul i ngleic le saincheistanna na litearthachta agus an uimhearthachta, cosáin chun na fostaíochta do dhaoine óga, moill tacaíochta teaghlaigh, aonaid muirnithe, cláir tuismitheoireachta agus moill eacnamaíochta sóisialta;
- Scéim Deontais Cúraim Leanaí do réimse áiteanna cúraim leanaí aoise scoile le £4.5 milliún de mhaoiniú le níos mó ná 2,700 áit a chruthú nó a choinneáil;
- Níos mó ná £5 milliún geallta d'eagraíochtaí deonacha agus pobail atá ag obair le daoine agus grúpaí ó mhionlaigh eitneacha, lena n-áirítear teifigh agus iarrthóirí tearmainn;
- Ciste géarchéime do theifigh agus d'iarrthóirí tearmainn bunaithe;
- Fáilte curtha roimh 51 theifeach ó Shiria go Béal Feirste i mí na Nollag 2015 leis an chéad ghrúpa eile de theifigh ó Shiria le teacht go luath;
- Polasaí glactha le níos mó éagsúlachta a bhaint amach i gceapacháin phoiblí le ionadaíocht níos fearr ar gach grúpa faoi ghanníodaíocht, lena n-áirítear daoine faoi mhíchumas, mná, daoine óga agus mionlaigh eitneacha;
- Spriocanna tugtha isteach le comhionannas inscne a bhaint amach ar bhoird phoiblí;
- £67 milliún infheistithe le tacú le híospartaigh agus daoine a tháinig slán ó 2011 i leith;
- Clár Aontaithe Óige forbartha, a chuireann ar fáil níos mó ná 300 áit do dhaoine 16-24 bliana d'aois nach bhfuil i bhfostaíocht, oideachas nó oiliúint;
- 101 champa samhraidh curtha ar fáil do 4,000 leanbh agus duine óg 11-19 mbliana d'aois a bhfuil d'aidhm acu caidreamh dearfach a thógáil;
- Maoiniú curtha ar fáil do 10 gcampas comhoideachais;
- Sráidbhailte uirbeacha agus comharsanachta comhroinnte cruthaithe;
- Clár spóirt trasphobail tugtha isteach, ag úsáid spóirt mar phríomh-ghné de scoilteanna a bhriseadh síos inár sochaí;
- Bacanna comhéadain laghaithe ó 59 go 52 le codanna de thrí struchtúr eile bainte ar shiúl.



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SINN FÉIN'S PRIORITIES IN GOVERNMENT

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Building the Momentum Towards Irish Unity

- Build support for island wide referendums on Irish unity;
- Continue to drive forward open and inclusive National Conversations on Irish Unity;
- Work to ensure the Irish Government introduces a Green Paper on Irish Unity to begin the practical planning for reunification;
- Demonstrate that uniting Ireland will result in economic growth;
- All-Ireland Co-Operation and Integration to deliver better public services.

Executive Office

- Develop and implement a Programme for Government that builds economic growth and jobs, tackles disadvantage, secures public services and promotes equality and inclusion;
- Implement the Racial Equality Strategy and develop a Refugee Integration Strategy;
- Establish a small civic panel to ensure a wider engagement on policy formulation with a range of civic society organisations such as pensioner parliament, youth forums and local neighbourhood partnerships;
- Promote legislation that makes the non disclosure of a conflict of interest a prosecutable offence;
- Review the need for all QUANGOs.

Health

- Commit £1 billion to additional health spending;
- Remove the 'internal market' within our health structures, specifically the commissioning/provider split;
- Involve all health workers, professional and clinicians, in decisions regarding the design of a health care system that best meets people's needs;
- Implement recommendations by the Older Person's Commissioner on the culture of care provision, dealing with regulation and inspection, standards of care, protecting whistle blowers and training and value of workforce;
- Increase first year training intake for G.P. specialism.

Education

- Increase spend on early care and childhood development initiatives up to OECD and international recommendations over the next 5-10 years;
- Continue to alleviate the effects of inequality on the learning process by skewing resources

towards children in need;

- Retain the Educational Maintenance Allowance;
- Deliver better outcomes for children through provision which is appropriate to both a child's age and stage of development;
- Continue to encourage & facilitate the growth of Irish Medium; Integrated; and Shared Education.

Finance

- Seek enhanced economic and fiscal powers including full control of income tax, national insurance, stamp duty, air passenger duty, broadcasting powers, and the Crown Estate;
- Remove the cap on domestic properties with a value above £400,000;
- Reduce commercial vacancy rates by placing a time limit on rates relief for empty properties;
- Introduce a tax on derelict land to discourage harmful speculation;
- Maintain relief for small businesses.

Economy

- Create 50,000 new jobs;
- Deliver an affordable and harmonised corporation tax by 2018;
- Address sub-regional inequalities in investment and job creation;
- Support the public sector becoming a Living Wage employer;
- Ensure Universities are funded to deliver the skills demanded by the economy and that the Magee campus can be expanded.

Infrastructure

- Invest £6 billion to improve roads, transport and other infrastructure including the completion of the A5 and A6;
- Invest in schools' estate and hospital infrastructure;
- Complete the Belfast Rapid Transport system;
- Invest in telecommunications and broadband;
- Work with the Dublin government to ensure Narrow Water Bridge.

Communities

- Develop and implement an anti-poverty strategy, based on objective need;
- Provide £500 million to help mitigate Tory welfare cuts;
- Build a minimum of 10,000 new social and affordable homes over the next five years;
- Strengthen Disability legislation and bring forward a new Disability strategy;
- Develop and deliver strategies on Gender Equality and Sexual Orientation.

Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs

- Continue to champion fairness in the supply chain to ensure farmers receive fair price for their produce;
- Advance the development of an all-island food labelling system;
- Support the Introduction of a Climate Change Bill to ensure that the 6 Counties is equipped to meet international Climate Change commitments and can prepare to become a low-carbon society;
- Extend fast-speed broadband to rural communities;
- Continue to oppose fracking.

Irish Language

- Support the introduction of Acht na Ghaeilge and an Irish language strategy;
- Support and grow the Irish Medium Education sector through capital funding and Chomhairle na Gaelscolaíochta;
- Support for rollout of Líofoa campaign;
- Support the development of the Gaeltacht Quarter in West Belfast and the establishment of a rural Gaeltacht at Carn Togher;
- Continue support for Gael Acadamh.

Older People

- Ensure the implementation of the active ageing strategy;
- Support an Adult Safeguarding Bill;
- Implement recommendations by the Older Person's Commissioner on the culture of care provision, dealing with regulation and inspection, standards of care, protecting whistle blowers and training and value of workforce;
- Introduce a Regulatory framework for domiciliary care;
- Ensuring that financial resources are targeted at funding Transforming Your Care.

Children and Young People

- Provide an additional £85m on top of the £440 million for Childcare and Child Development;
- Support an Early Care and Childhood Development Bill to give clear focus and direction to delivering age and stage appropriate provision;
- Deliver and Implement a Children and Young People's Strategy; which will ensure the Executive works collaboratively to improve the well-being of our children and young people;
- Continue to enhance vocational Skills & Training pathways for our Young People;
- Improve the provision of age appropriate care for children and young adults with mental health issues.

Policing & Justice

- Challenge systemic delays in PSNI's disclosure process for legacy inquests and investigations;
- Ring-fence funding for front line policing;
- Promote representativeness within the PSNI, in relation to both gender and community background;
- Continue to support the role of community restorative justice groups like CRJ and Alternatives who work closely with other agencies within the wider Justice family;
- Fight to protect legal aid budget to ensure adequate access to justice.

Legacy

- Continue to demand maximum disclosure in terms of legacy investigations and inquests which comply with human rights principles and conventions;
- Challenge the British government's blanket veto on onward disclosure to families;
- Promote enhancements to the coronial system;
- Demand that the British government directly finance legacy investigations and inquests;
- Ensure that gender harms inflicted on women during the conflict and the particular needs of women in a post conflict society are given due recognition.

Reconciliation

- Engage with all sections of society to shape an inclusive and authentic reconciliation process;
- Build support for an initiative of common acknowledgement as an important contribution towards reconciliation & healing;
- Deal with the scourge of sectarianism and the entrenched community segregation and division particularly at interface areas;
- Create an anti-sectarian charter;
- Provide support and assistance for ex-prisoners seeking to avail of employment opportunities, re-training and or re-skilling and further education;

Ireland in Europe

- Campaign against Brexit;
- Continue to resist the dilution of national sovereignty and protect the competencies of the Member State;
- Continue to campaign for greater democratisation of the European Union;
- Continue to prioritise all-Ireland cooperation in all fields and will work to alleviate all the adverse effects of partition;
- Sinn Féin will continue to mobilise against the

implementation of the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) and will oppose the creation of an Investment Court in TTIP.

Equality

- Promote equality measures for all people and all communities;
- Deliver on an Executive strategy and action plan to tackle Gender Equality, including the gender pay gap, and support the introduction of gender quota legislation for the Assembly and public bodies;
- Introduce legislation to ensure that the provision of Goods, Facilities and Services applies protections equally on all grounds of discrimination;
- Continue to support marriage equality and equality

protections for lesbian, gay and bisexual citizens;

- Work to extend protections in legislation for Transgender and Intersex individuals.

Human Rights

- Work with all progressive forces to resist the repeal of the 1998 Human Rights Act;
- A Bill of Rights;
- Continue to demand maximum disclosure in terms of legacy investigations and inquests and deliver a process for truth, justice and dealing with the past;
- Marriage Equality for all citizens;
- Human rights compliant legislation in cases of fatal foetal abnormalities and sexual crime.

Ag tógáil an mhóimintim i dtreo Aontacht na hÉireann

- Tacaíocht a thógáil do reifreann uile-oileáin ar aontacht na hÉireann;
- Leanúint ar aghaidh ag tiomáint ar aghaidh Comhráite Náisiúnta oscailte agus cuimsitheacha ar Aontacht na hÉireann;
- Bheith ag obair lena chinntiú go dtabharfaidh an Rialtas sa Deisceart Páipéar Glas ar Aontacht na hÉireann le tús a chur le pleanáil phraiticiúil don athaontú;
- A léiriú gur fás eacnamaíoch an toradh a bheidh ar Éire a aontú;
- Comhoibriú agus Comhtháthú uile-Éireann le seirbhísí poiblí níos fearr a chur ar fáil.

Oifig Fheidhmeach

- Clár Rialtais a fhorbairt agus a fheidhmiú a mhéadaíonn fás eacnamaíoch, a théann i ngleic leis an mhíbhuntáiste, a dhaingníonn seirbhísí poiblí agus a chuireann chun cinn an comhionannas agus an t-eisiamh;
- An Straitéis Comhionannais Cine a chur i bhfeidhm agus Straitéis Imeachtha Teifeach a fhorbairt;
- Painéal saoránach beag a bhunú le níos mó rannpháirtíocht a chinntiú ar cheapadh polasáí le réimse eagraíochtaí sa tsochaí chathartha, mar pharlaimint na bpinsinéirí, fóraim óige agus comhpháirtíochtaí comharsanachta;
- Reachtaíocht a chur chun cinn a dhéanann coir ionchúisithe de neamhnochtadh comhlinte leasa;
- An gá le gach eagraíocht stáit a athbheithniú.

Sláinte

- £1 billiún a gheallúint do chaiteachas sláinte;
- Deireadh a chur leis an 'margadh inmheánach' inár struchtúir shláinte, go sonrath an scoilt idir coimisiúnú agus soláthraí;
- Gach oibrí sláinte, gairmí agus cliniceoir, a bheith páirteach i gcinntí maidir le dearadh córais cúraim sláinte a fhreastalaíonn ar an bhealach is fearr ar riachtanais daoine;
- Moltaí an Choimisinéara do Dhaoine Níos Sine ar chultúr an tsoláthair cúraim a fheidhmiú, ag plé le rialúchán agus cigireacht, caighdeán cúraim, sceitheoirí eolais a chosaint agus an lucht saothair a oiliúint agus a luach;
- Iontógáil oiliúna chéad bhliana do speisialtacht dochtúirí ginearálta a mhéadú.

Oideachas

- Caiteachas a mhéadú ar chúram luath agus ar

thionscnaimh forbartha óige suas le OECD agus moltaí idirnáisiúnta sna 5-10 mbliana seo romhainn;

- Leanúint ar aghaidh ag maolú thionchar an éagothroime ar an phróiseas foghlama trí acmhainní a chasadh i dtreo leanaí faoi anás;
- An Liúntas Cothabhála Oideachais a choinneáil;
- Torthaí níos fearr a chur ar fáil do leanaí trí sholáthar atá fóirsteanach d'aois linbh agus dá gcéim forbartha;
- Leanúint ar aghaidh ag spreagadh agus ag éascú fhás na gaelscolaíochta; an oideachais imeasctha; agus an chomhoideachais.

Airgeadas

- Cumhachtaí eacnamaíocha agus fioscacha breisithe a lorg, lena n-áirítear smacht iomlán ar cháin ioncaim, árachas náisiúnta, dleacht stampála, dleacht paisinéirí aeir, cumhachtaí craolacháin agus Eastát na Corónach;
- An chaidhp ar mhaoin teaghlaigh le luach os cionn £400,000 a bhaint ar shiúl;
- Rátaí folúis trádala a laghdú trí theorainneacha ama a chur ar fhaoiseamh ráta do mhaoin fholamh;
- Cáin ar thalamh tréigthe a thabhairt isteach le hamhantraíocht dhíobhálach a dhíspreagadh;
- Faoiseamh a choinneáil do ghnólachtaí beaga.

Geilleagar

- 50,000 post nua a chruthú;
- Cáin inacmhainne agus chomhchuibhithe a chur ar fáil faoi 2018;
- Tabhairt faoi neamhionannais fo-réigiúnacha san infheistíocht agus i gcruithú post;
- Tacú leis an earnáil phoiblí bheith ina fostóir tuarastail maireachtála;
- A chinntiú go maoinítear Ollscoileanna leis na scileanna a éilíonn an geilleagar a chur ar fáil agus gur féidir campas Mhig Aoidh a leathnú.

Infreastruchtúr

- £6 billiún a infheistiú le bóithre agus iompar a fheabhsú, lena n-áirítear an A5 agus an A6 a chríochnú;
- Infheistiú san eastát scoileanna agus in infreastruchtúr ospidéal;
- Córas Mear-iompair Bhéal Feirste a chríochnú;
- Infheistiú i dteileachumarsáid agus i leathanbhanda;
- Bheith ag obair le rialtas Bhaile Átha Cliath le droichead Chaol Uisce a chinntiú.

Pobail

- Straitéis frithbhochtaineachta a fhorbairt agus a

- chur i bhfeidhm, bunaithe ar riachtanas oibiachtúil; £500 milliún a chur ar fáil le cuidiú ciorruithe leasa na dTóraithe a mhaolú;
- 10,000 ar a laghad baile nua sóisialta agus inacmhainne a thógáil sna blianta beaga seo romhainn;
- Reachtaíocht ar mhíchumas a neartú agus straitéis nua míchumais a thabhairt chun tosaigh;
- Straitéisí ar chomhionannas inscne agus gnéaschlaonadh a fhorbairt agus a chur i gcrích.

Talmhaíocht, Comhshaol agus Gnóthaí Tuaithe

- Leanúint ar aghaidh ag cur chun cinn na cothro- maíochta sa tslabhra soláthair lena chinntiú go bhfaighidh feirmeoirí praghas cothrom ar son a dtáirgí;
- Forbairt lipéadú uile-Éireann a chur chun tosaigh;
- Tacú a thabhairt le Bille um Athrú Aeráide a thabhairt isteach lena chinntiú go bhfuil na huirlisí ag an 6C le gealltanais idirnáisiúnta ar athrú aeráide a chur i gcrích agus gur féidir leis ullmhú le bheith ina shocháí charbóniseal;
- Leathanbhanda tapa a leathnú go pobail faoin tuath;
- Leanúint ar aghaidh ag cur in éadan fraiceála.

An Ghaeilge

- Tacú le hAcht na Gaeilge a thabhairt isteach agus le straitéis Gaeilge;
- Tacú le hearnáil na Gaelscolaíochta agus í a mhéadú trí maoiniú Caipitil agus Comhairle na Gaelscolaíochta;
- Tacú le rolladh amach an fheachtais Líofa;
- Tacú le forbairt na Ceathrún Gaeltachta in Iarthar Bhéal Feirste agus bunú Gaeltacht tuaithe i gCarn Tóchair;
- Leanúint ar aghaidh ag tacú le Gaelacadamh.

Daoine níos sine

- Feidhmiú na straitéise um aosú gníomhach a chinntiú;
- Tacú le Bille um Chúmhdach Aosach;
- Moltaí an Choimisinéara do Dhaoine Níos Sine ar chultúr an tsoláthair cúraim a fheidhmiú, ag plé le rialúchán agus cigireacht, caighdeán cúraim, sceitheoirí eolais a chosaint agus an lucht saothair a oiliúint agus a luach;
- Creat Rialúcháin a thabhairt isteach do chúram baile;
- A chinntiú go ndírítear acmhainní airgeadais ar mhaoiniú ag Bunathrú do Chúraim.

Leanaí agus Daoine Óga

- £85m breise a chur ar fáil sa bhreis ar an £440

- milliún do chúram leanaí agus forbairt leanaí;
- Tacú le Bille um Chúram Leanaí agus Forbairt Óige le díriú soiléir agus treoir a thabhairt maidir le soláthar a thabhairt atá fóirsteanach ó thaobh aoise agus céim forbartha de;
- Straitéis a fhorbairt agus a chur i bhfeidhm do leanaí agus daoine óga a chinnteoidh go n-oibreoidh an Feidhmeannas go comhoibriúil le leas ár leanaí agus daoine óga a fheabhsú;
- Leanúint ar aghaidh ag feabhsú cosáin scileanna agus oiliúna gairme d'ár ndaoine óga;
- Soláthar an chúraim atá fóirsteanach d'aois do leanaí agus d'aoisigh óga a bhfuil saincheisteanna meabhairshláinte acu a fheabhsú.

Póilíneacht & Ceartas

- Dúshlán a thabhairt do mhoilleanna córasacha i bpróiseas nochtaithe PSNI d'ionchoisní agus d'fhiosrúcháin oidhreachta;
- Maoiniú a imfhálú don phóilíneacht ar an líne thosaigh;
- Ionadaíocht a chur chun tosaigh sa PSNI maidir le hinscne agus cúlra pobail araan;
- Leanúint ar aghaidh ag tacú le ról grúpaí a chuireann chun cinn ceartas aisíroch mar CRJ agus Alternatives a oibríonn go dlúth le gníomhaireachtaí eile sa mhórphobal ceartais;
- Troid leis an mbuiséad do chabhair dhlí a chosaint le rochtain dhóthanach a chinntiú don cheartas.

Oidhreacht

- Leanúint ar aghaidh ag éileamh nochtadh iomlán maidir le hionchoisní agus fiosrúcháin oidhreachta a chloíonn le prionsabail agus coinbhinsiúin chearta an duine;
- Dúshlán a thabhairt do chrosadh cuimsitheach Rialtas na Breataine ar nochtadh eolais amach anseo do theaghlaigh.
- Feabhsuithe ar an chóras corónach a chur chun cinn;
- A éileamh go maoiníodh rialtas na Breataine go díreach fiosrúcháin agus ionchoisní oidhreachta;
- A chinntiú go dtugtar aitheantas cuí do dhochair inscne a rinneadh ar mhná agus do riachtanais áirithe ban i socháí iarchoimhlinte.

Athmhuintearas

- Bheith i dteagmháil le gach cuid den tsocháí le próiseas athmhuintearais cuimsitheach agus fíor a mhúnlú;
- Tacaíocht a thógáil do thionscnamh comhaitheantais mar chion tábhachtach i dtreo athmhuintearais & cneasú;
- Plé le sciúirse an tseicteachais agus deighilt agus

idirscaradh daingean an phobail, go háirithe i gceantair comhéadain;

- Cairt frithsheachtachais a chruthú;
- Tacaíocht agus cuidiú a thabhairt d'iarchimí atá ag féacháil le tairbhe a bhaint as deiseanna fostaíochta agus athoiliúna, nó tairbhe a bhaint as scileanna nua a shealbhú nó oideachas breise a fháil;

Éire san Eoraip

- Feachtas in éadan an Bhreatain imeacht ón Eoraip;
- Leanúint ar aghaidh ag cur i gcoinne chaolú an fhlaithis náisiúnta agus cumais na mBallstát a chosaint;
- Leanúint ar aghaidh ag feachtasaíocht ar son an tAontas Eorpach a bheith níos daonlathaí;
- Leanúint ar aghaidh ag déanamh tosaíochta de comhoibriú uile-Éireann i ngach réimse agus oibreoidh muid leis na tionchair is measa go léir den chríochdheighilt a mhaolú;
- Leanfaidh Sinn Féin ar aghaidh ag cruinniú tacaíochta i gcoinne na Comhpháirtíochta Trasatlantaí Trádála agus Infheistíochta (TTIP) agus cuirfidh muid i gcoinne Cúirt Infheistíochta a chruthú in TTIP.

Cothromaíocht

- Barta comhionannais a chur chun cinn do gach duine agus do gach pobal;

- Straitéis agus plean gníomhaíochta Feidhmeannais a chur i gcrích le gníomhú ar Chomhionannas Inscne, lena n-áirítear bearna inscne i bpá agus tacaíocht le reachtaíocht ar chuóta inscne a thabhairt isteach don Tionól agus d'eagrais phoiblí;
- Reachtaíocht a thabhairt isteach lena chinntiú, nuair atáthar ag soláthar Earraí, Áiseanna agus Seirbhísí, go gcuirtear cosaintí i bhfeidhm go cothrom ar gach foras leithcheala;
- Leanúint ar aghaidh ag tacú le comhionannas pósta agus le cosaintí do shaoránaigh leispiacha, aeracha agus dhéghnéasacha;
- Bheith ag obair le cosaintí a leathnú sa reachtaíocht do dhaoine atá trasinscneach agus idirinscneach.

Ceartha an Duine

- Bheith ag obair le gach fórsa forásach le cur in éadan aisghairm an Achta um Chearta an Duine 1998;
- Bille Ceart;
- Leanúint ar aghaidh ag éileamh nochtadh iomlán maidir le hionchoisní agus fiosrúcháin oidhreachta agus próiseas a chur ar fáil don fhírinne, don cheartas agus le plé leis an am a chuaigh thart;
- Pósadh comhionann do gach saoránach;
- Reachtaíocht a chloíonn le cearta an duine i gcásanna mínormáltachtaí féatais agus coiriúlacht ghnéis.





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