

WANT MY VOTE?



*The following represents eight key issues affecting British Muslims.
As our prospective parliamentary candidate, will you:*

1. ENGAGEMENT WITH MUSLIM COMMUNITIES

- Commit to proactively engage with a broad and representative spectrum of the British Muslim communities.

2. RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

- Defend the right of Muslims - and people of all faiths - to live their faith be that in religious clothing, food and reasonable accommodation of religious observance.

3. BIGOTRY

- Combat Islamophobia, anti-Semitism, anti-migrant sentiment and all forms of racism on our streets, online and in our media.

4. DEMOCRACY FOR ALL

- Enhance our democracy by increasing participation of minorities and women in politics and public life.

5. SECURITY AND FREEDOM

- Uphold civil liberties and re-build trust with communities when tackling crime and terrorism. Demand an independent review of Prevent.

6. EQUALITY IN EDUCATION

- Develop an inclusive National Curriculum reflecting the diverse religious, ethnic and cultural identity of Britain today. Promise a fair and equal approach to educational provision be that in faith schools or in state schools with large Muslim populations.

7. FREE PALESTINE

- Support a binding recognition of Palestine as an independent and sovereign state.

8. ETHICAL FOREIGN POLICY

- Uphold an ethical and consistent UK foreign policy with human rights, poverty alleviation and justice.

The issues above represent a consensus view of the top concerns facing British Muslims ahead of the 2017 General Election. They were compiled by the Muslim Council of Britain following consultation with its affiliates in 2015 and updated since that time. Further details at: www.mcb.org.uk/MuslimVote

