

HOUGHTON, John Ramsey, MHK (*Douglas North*)

Personal

Born: 22nd July 1959, Douglas

Education: Laxey Primary School, Ballakermeen and St Ninian's High Schools

Family: 2 daughters

Career: Sub-postmaster at Willaston, Douglas from 1980-2000; *Former Commandant*, IOM Special Constabulary, total service 18 years



Public Service: Isle of Man Karate Club (1976-date), affiliated to Karate Union of Great Britain; *Chairman:* Isle of Man Martial Arts Association

Interests: Karate instructor, walking, reading, and listening to music

Parliamentary Profile

Current Posts

Member of the House of Keys 1996-date

Member of the Department of Education and Children 2011-date

Vice Chairman of the Manx Electricity Authority 2011-date

Parliamentary Career

Member: Education 1996-99, Health and Social Security 1996-98, Local Government and the Environment 1999-2004, Isle of Man Office of Fair Trading 1996-2004 (*Chairman* 1999-2004), Employers' side of Whitley Council 2004-09

Chairman: Civil Service Commission 2004-11

Committees of Tynwald: Select Committee on Douglas Corporation Policy on Villa Marina Staff 2004-06, Select Committee on Petition for Redress of Grievance of Phillip John Kermode 2003-04, Select Committee on the Compensation Claim - Mount Murray Residents 2004, Select Committee on Kaupthing Singer Friedlander 2009-11, Tynwald Management Committee 2007-11

Chairman: Select Committee on the Petition for Redress of Grievance of Leslie and

Winifred Cook 2003-05

Council of Ministers Committees: Governance 2010-11

Electoral History

First stood and elected as Member of the House of Keys for Douglas North in 1996, re-elected in 2001 and 2006

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association

Visit to Westminster 1998