

## Green Plan for Giving Islanders a Greater Say

Islanders should be able to participate fully and fairly in our democratic system. Getting more Islanders involved in the decisions that impact them will only make government more reflective of the people who live here.

A **Green Government** will:

- Create Citizens' Assemblies to tackle important issues. The first of these would be proportional representation. From there, this assembly would get to work on issues such as climate change, housing, rural governance, poverty, and other issues of importance to Islanders.
- Legislate proportional representation, based on the recommendations of the Citizens' Assembly.
- Lower the voting age to 16 years.
- Allow permanent residents to vote in municipal and school board elections.
- Make political parties transparent and accountable for the money and information they gather from Islanders:
  - Require financial statements outside of elections.
  - Regulate loans.
  - Create privacy requirements for personal information collected by political parties.
- Complete a review of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and make sure sufficient resources are available to process requests in a timely manner.
- Make government spending more transparent by implementing results-based financial management in government departments.