



Motions of no confidence; Chief Minister election results

RESEARCH PAPER

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Request: a) How many times a vote of no confidence has been brought since the Council of Ministers Act 1990 was introduced and what was the result of the vote?; b) How many votes did each Chief Minister receive to take up office?

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MOTIONS OF NO CONFIDENCE

The following table provides information on all motions that have included the phrase 'no confidence' since 1990. Motions of no confidence in Ministers have been highlighted in bold.

Sitting Date	Chamber	Motion	Outcome	Hansard
26/04/1994	House of Keys	Dr Mann to move - That this House has no confidence in the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.	Motion lost	K379-K408
21/05/2003	Tynwald	51. Department of Health and Social Security The Hon Member of the Council (Mr Singer) to move - Tynwald has no confidence in the Department of Health and Social Security's policies for - (a) the provision of primary health care to Island residents other than between the hours of 8.00 am and 6.00 pm on weekdays; and (b) the provision of 24 hour duty doctor cover by a doctor based at Ramsey Cottage Hospital.	Motion not made	T1039
17/05/2005	Tynwald	38. Manx Electricity Authority The Hon Member for Michael (Mr Cannan) to move - That Tynwald has no confidence in the Directors of the Manx Electricity Authority.	Motion not made	1293-1294 T122
17/05/2005	Tynwald	41. Manx Electricity Authority Public Inquiry The Hon Member for Onchan (Mr Karran) to move - That this Honourable Court has no confidence in the Government's conduct of matters in relation to the affairs of the Manx Electricity Authority and now resolves - (i) that a Commission of Inquiry be appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor pursuant to section 1 of the Inquiries (Evidence) Act 2003 to establish the true and correct position with regard to the	Motion not made	1293-1294 T122

		<p>Authority's affairs and the responsibility of the Government, in particular the Treasury and the Department of Trade and Industry, in regard to them; and</p> <p>(ii) further resolves that the powers conferred by the Inquiries (Evidence) Act 2003 shall be exercisable by such Commission of Inquiry.</p>		
23/06/2005	Tynwald	<p>49. Manx Electricity Authority Public Inquiry</p> <p>The Hon Member for Onchan (Mr Karran) to move -</p> <p>That this Honourable Court has no confidence in the Government's conduct of matters in relation to the affairs of the Manx Electricity Authority and now resolves -</p> <p>(i) that a Commission of Inquiry be appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor pursuant to section 1 of the Inquiries (Evidence) Act 2003 to establish the true and correct position with regard to the Authority's affairs and the responsibility of the Government, in particular the Treasury and the Department of Trade and Industry, in regard to them; and</p> <p>(ii) further resolves that the powers conferred by the Inquiries (Evidence) Act 2003 shall be exercisable by such Commission of Inquiry.</p>	Motion not made	1480 T122
14/07/2005	Tynwald	<p>59. Manx Electricity Authority -</p> <p>The Hon Member for Onchan (Mr Karran) to move -</p> <p>That this Honourable Court has no confidence in the Government's conduct of matters in relation to the affairs of the Manx Electricity Authority and now resolves -</p> <p>(i) that a Commission of Inquiry be appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor pursuant to section 1 of the Inquiries (Evidence) Act 2003 to establish the true and correct position with regard to the Authority's affairs and the responsibility of the Government, in particular the Treasury and the Department of Trade and Industry, in regard to them; and</p> <p>(ii) further resolves that the powers conferred by the Inquiries (Evidence)</p>	Adjourned sine die	1739-1742 T122

		Act 2003 shall be exercisable by such Commission of Inquiry.		
18/12/2008	Tynwald	<p>33. Isle of Man Steam Packet User Agreement</p> <p>The Hon Member for Onchan (Mr Karran) to move -</p> <p>That Tynwald has no confidence in the Department of Transport's ability to regulate the User Agreement with the Isle of Man Steam Packet Company; and calls on the Council of Ministers to create a structure to regulate this Agreement in order to protect people from its misuse, and to report progress to the April sitting of Tynwald.</p>	Motion as amended carried	Hansard Extract
09/07/2013	Tynwald	<p>ITEM NOT ON ORDER PAPER</p> <p>Matter of Urgent Public Importance - Motion of no confidence in the Minister for Health</p>	Motion not supported	Hansard Extract
15/10/2013	Tynwald	<p>33. Minister for Health</p> <p>The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Skelly) to move -</p> <p>That Tynwald has no confidence in Hon. David Anderson MHK as Minister for Health.</p>	Motion lost	Hansard Extract

CHIEF MINISTER ELECTION RESULTS

Chief Minister	Number of votes received in the ballot	Date of election
Miles Walker MHK	23	10 Dec 1991
Donald Gelling MHK	21	03 Dec 1996
Richard Corkill MHK (resigned December 2004)	21	04 Dec 2001
Donald Gelling MLC	29	14 Dec 2004
Tony Brown MHK	27	14 Dec 2006
Alan Bell MHK	27	11 Oct 2011
Howard Quayle MHK	21	04 Oct 2016

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