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James lives locally, is married with three children, and has worked in finance for over 20 years. His frustration with this government's continuous scandals and failures to address the basics such as housing, healthcare and crime, along with the total lack of real opposition to censorship and authoritarianism drove him to join Aontú.



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Housing for all Ireland's housing crisis is worsening, rooted in years of government failure and mismanagement. More than 14,500 people are now homeless, including 4,500 children. Young families are being priced out of the market and rents are at record highs. Our young people are trapped in "generation rent." 68% of Irish adults between 25 and 29 still live at home, compared to the EU average of 42%.

This government has failed them by allowing Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) to bulk buy homes for rent, driving prices up and pushing homeownership out of reach.

Aontú will : ● Reform and speed up the planning permission process. ● Build more social and private housing. ● Properly fund the return of vacant houses back to use. ● End land bank speculation. ● Incentivise the return of Irish construction workers from abroad. ● Increase the number of construction apprenticeships. ● End tax advantages for predatory Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs).

Common sense on immigration

The government's failure to manage immigration has left both asylum seekers and Irish communities in chaos. With asylum decisions taking up to 10 years and 85% of deportation orders ignored, the system is broken. Only a fraction of the promised €52 million community fund has been spent, leaving under-resourced areas even more strained as the population grows rapidly without sufficient support.

Aontú advocates for a compassionate, common-sense immigration policy that balances Ireland's humanitarian duties with the needs of its citizens. Genuine asylum seekers must be protected, but fraudulent claims must be swiftly addressed to prevent abuse of the system.

Aontú will: ● Prioritise the creation of a new Irish Border Agency that will actually enforce the law. ● Ensure that communities have a say over how their areas develop by reintroducing the planning permission system for asylum accommodation. ● Ensure communities who agree to host migrants see a community dividend. ● Ensure asylum applications are completed within four months and, if refused: the applicant is sent home within 6 months. ● Ensure those who purposefully destroy their travel documents are immediately sent home. ● Ensure housing and other amenities made available to migrants are also available to Irish people in need. ● Ensure that anyone coming here with a criminal record is denied asylum. ● Ensure that deportation orders are enforced by the Gardaí.

There are many good people living in Ireland who have come from other countries. Many do important and valuable work. Aontú believes in equality and respect for all those who are legally contributing to Irish society.



Aontú Leader
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Waste of public money

The government has been squandering taxpayers' hard-earned money on projects that are delayed, overpriced, and wasteful. The National Children's Hospital was originally projected to cost €600 million, but is now unfinished at more than €2.5 billion. Leo Varadkar famously stated that "only an asteroid" could stop it from opening in 2020, yet it remains unfinished. Scandalous waste includes €1.4 million spent on a security hut and €335,000 on a bike shed that should have cost only €20,000.

Other failures include the Metro North project, which has swallowed €300 million with no result. This government is constantly failing to deliver value for taxpayer money. Shockingly, €6 billion of taxpayer funds is handed out to 33,000 NGOs each year, with little to no oversight or accountability. Meanwhile, hospitals remain overcrowded and essential services are underfunded.

Aontú demands real accountability. We will ensure that your tax money is spent on public services that truly matter—housing, healthcare, and safety—rather than pet projects and payoffs to cronies. Public servants must be held accountable for their actions and wasteful spending. It's time for a government that respects you, values your money, and delivers results.

A health system fit for purpose

Ireland's healthcare system is collapsing despite the €24 billion we spend annually - comparable to Tier 1 OECD countries like Germany and Sweden. Our accident and emergency departments are overcrowded, waiting lists stretch for years, and frontline staff are exhausted. Research by Aontú shows that 908,000 people are currently on waiting lists, with some waiting years for critical treatments like scoliosis care.

It is becoming increasingly difficult to get an appointment with your GP. Mental health services, when they are available, are an Eircode lottery, especially Child and Adolescent Mental Health services. Aontú will protect essential services and invest in the long-term viability of our health service. Women choosing pro-life options should receive equal levels of support.

Aontú will: ● Increase the amount of frontline line health workers. ● Provide decent pay and conditions to keep Irish doctors and nurses at home. ● Decrease bureaucracy. ● Protect regional GP services from closure. ● Create a parallel mental health service for all ages with a dedicated multi-year budget.

SPHE curriculum

The government's new Social, Personal, and Health Education (SPHE) curriculum is an outrageous attempt to introduce inappropriate highly-sexualised content to children as young as twelve, undermining parental rights and childhood innocence. This radical agenda is designed to confuse and sexualise children in the name of 'inclusivity.'

Aontú opposes these reckless changes and will fight to protect children from inappropriate material. We will ensure that parents have the right to decide what is best for their families and that our education system focuses on real learning, not political indoctrination. It's time for a government that defends Irish values and prioritises the well-being of our children. Aontú is the party that stands for accountability, dignity, and change.

Family & Care Referendum

Aontú listened to the people and advocated for a 'No-No' vote in the March 8th referendum, standing in defense of mothers' contributions in the home. While all other parties pushed for a 'Yes-Yes' vote, Aontú stood alone with the public, and the result was a resounding 70% vote for 'No-No.' This referendum victory highlights Aontú's ability to represent the public's will and stand up against the political consensus when it matters most.

Crime

Crime is spiraling out of control across Ireland, especially in Dublin city. The number of Gardaí is falling, violent assaults, thefts, and drug-related crimes are rising. Aontú's research shows that Garda recruitment is not keeping pace with retirements, leaving frontline officers overstretched and demoralised.

This government's neglect of law enforcement is putting communities at risk. Aontú will invest in Garda recruitment and resources, ensuring that every citizen feels safe and that our justice system functions effectively. We need a government prioritising public safety, not one making citizens vulnerable to crime.

Aontú supports the unity of the Irish people, the human right to life of everyone, born and unborn, and economic justice so that all families can confidently raise their children to their full potential.

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