

A Vision for South West St Andrew

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SW St. Andrew - the place of choice to live work & raise families

Represent, Support, Lead

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Dr Angela Brown Burke, the newly elected Member of Parliament for St Andrew South West, has committed herself and her constituency executive to actualizing the vision of making St Andrew South West the place of choice to “live, work and raise families”. Through the commitment to the three pillars of Representing, Supporting and Leading - Dr Brown Burke truly believes that this vision can become a reality.

As Member of Parliament for SW St. Andrew, my responsibilities are wide-ranging and rest on three interrelated objectives to:

- **Represent** all members of the constituency and local interest groups
- **Support** by giving assistance and guidance to those who most require it
- **Lead** by example in being an active member of the community

This is no easy feat and requires high levels of social, physical, economic and psychological development of people and place. During the campaign and since then she has benefited from several discussions with individuals who willingly and passionately shared their hopes, desires, challenges and dream for the constituency. The first task therefore is to ensure that there is a shared vision for the constituency and an engaged team spreading the message and making the dream a reality .

To effectively serve the people of South West St. Andrew, Dr Angela Brown Burke and her team realizes that this sustainable development process must be executed through participatory democracy and in a systemic manner. To achieve the first step in her vision, Dr Brown Burke and her team has embarked on the drafting of a series of programmes geared towards:

- 1. Academic empowerment and skills training, Leadership, Capacity Building,**
- 2. Economic Empowerment and Local Economic Development,**
- 3. Conflict Resolution / Unification, Social Development**
- 4. Development of the Physical Spaces**

These activities are designed to provide the constituency with the necessary tools and environs to improve their employability and entrepreneurial awareness and skills, as well as to form positive social bonds and pride among community members.

LONG TERM STRATEGY

The long-term strategy is designed to make the constituency a place where persons choose to live, work and raise families. As a result, the programmes and projects are designed to facilitate:

1. **Safer & Stronger Communities:** Facilitating initiatives that promote respect for life and public order and make children, families, and communities safer from violence
2. Economic & Social Empowerment:
 - **Skilled Workforce:** Constituents are provided opportunities to upgrade their skills for a modern, productive and competitive society
 - **Entrepreneurship development:** Providing opportunities so residents can create their own jobs
3. **Improved Physical, Mental and Emotional Wellbeing:** Using a variety of tools to provide benefits to individuals and overall community:
 - Sports and development
 - **Housing & Infrastructure:** Continue with the Housing Programme, as well as the renovation and building of more community centres, roads, housing, parks and playing fields
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