

## **ELECTORAL PROGRAM**

2022



### TELLS IT LIKE IT IS. DOES WHAT IS REQUIRED.

This is our short election programme where we describe what we want to do if we continue to be trusted to lead Eskilstuna municipality. Our longer, more comprehensive election programme is available on our website. This also includes additional great policies, presentations of our candidates and much more:

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### **A WORD FROM JIMMY JANSSON**

Eskilstuna is a great city with tremendous opportunities. A new university city, major global business start-ups, record residential construction rates, a welfare system where we have long since done away with bad ideas such as shared work-shifts, a municipality at the forefront of environmental and climate work. But we need to do more. Violence must stop and the employment rate increase. Everyone in Eskilstuna must participate in the journey we have started. Eskilstuna can do better. We don't promise gold and green forests but we promise things we can deliver. In this programme you will find a selection.

We will strengthen democratic control over welfare and restore faith in welfare — our joint funding should not go to corporate profits, cheating and welfare crime must be pursued.

**We will continue the green transition** and accept our share of the responsibility for giving our children a planet to live on and create the jobs of the future through a class-conscious climate transition. More people should get jobs with fair working conditions.

**We will crack down on crime and break segregation** — step up cooperation between police, social services, school and associations to prevent young people from being drawn into crime but also to solve crime and get dangerous individuals off our streets. People should be given the prerequisites to become part of the community — not only through support, but also by making demands.

We promise to take responsibility for the municipality of Eskilstuna to manage, govern and develop in ups and downs and cooperate with parties that share our view of everyone's equal value and who are prepared to put the interests of the municipality foremost.

**We pledge to pursue responsible economic policy** based on the principle that every wasted tax krona is theft and that the primary objective must be to avoid a tax increase in the years ahead.

With greater support for social democracy in Eskilstuna, we can make Eskilstuna stronger and safer. To make Eskilstuna better, we need to be honest with each other. This means not exaggerating. Not to close our eyes. We need to tell it like it is and do what it takes.



### **JIMMY JANSSON**

Jimmy Jansson is the chairman of the municipal council in Eskilstuna and of course our candidate for the same office again.

Jimmy tells it like it is and does what it takes. He saw and reacted to the problems that came in the wake of segregation early on in municipal Sweden. Often he has been seen in the national media in connection with measures and analyses previously considered radical but now shared by most.

Jimmy is 42 and is a former teacher. He lives with his wife and three children and his biggest leisure interest is to fuss with and drive his old Volvo Amazon 121 from 1965.

### CRIME MUST BE CRACKED AND SEGREGATION BROKEN TO CREATE SECURITY AND A SENSE OF COMMUNITY



#### Welfare crime must be combated and confidence in welfare defended.

Efforts to detect black leases, sham divorces and undue disbursements of social assistance must be stepped up.

#### Segregation must be broken and the sense of community must improve.

Children should not grow up in neighbourhoods where no adults go to work — therefore, people on livelihood support should have an activity duty. Crowded living conditions must be countered in both the municipality's housing stock and by cooperation with private landlords. With an active housing policy, segregation must be counteracted — methods include income requirements other than livelihood support for rental contracts in certain neighbourhoods as well as restrictions on the number of residents per flat. The number of family centres must increase. Language development for children in preschool should be reinforced. Staff must have educational and linguistic skills to fulfil their duties. In cases where this is lacking, it is the employer's responsibility to remedy this.

#### Crime must be pushed back with the combined force of the municipality.

There must be no priority or vulnerable areas according to the police map in Eskilstuna. We will work to become a model municipality for crime prevention. Social services must act decisively and, together with the police, be able to intervene in families with individuals suspected of involvement in crime. Crime prevention efforts will be expanded with our Trygga Unga initiative, where the municipality's cooperation between social services, police and schools is at the heart. The number of security guards will be increased and camera surveillance will be expanded in our neighbourhoods as well as in our secondary schools. A number of known safety points will be set up where residents can turn for information and assistance. The municipality's emergency response will be strengthened and an additional fire station will be built.

All citizens must feel safe and be familiar with our values. The work against violence in close relationships, and in addition honour-related violence and oppression, must be a priority. Education based on laws, rules, standards and values must be sharpened and actively offered with requirements for participation for new arrivals, SFI students, parents and other target groups where necessary. Pupil health and safety teams at our schools will raise issues around honour culture during initial interviews. The schools' student surveys must also include issues related to honour violence and oppression in order to identify problems at school unit level.

## Eskilstuna's refugee reception must be at a level that does not contribute to unemployment, crowded living conditions, poor school performance and other determining factors that create a class society and inequality.

Exceptions can be made in emergency situations. This is different than the quantified and unregulated reception that occurred where countries and municipalities failed to assume their share of responsibility with consequential unnecessary unemployment, segregation and crowded living conditions. We want EBO to be abolished and for people to be under the care of the state until the day they start working and can support themselves.



### WITH MORE PEOPLE WORKING, BETTER WORKING CONDITIONS AND STRENGTHENED WELFARE, WE ARE BUILDING OUR CITY



More people should enter employment and the conditions should be fair.

We must have more vocational education that leads to work. We will offer package solutions with jobs and housing to people looking for jobs where there is a labour shortage in Eskilstuna. The status of vocational education and training will continue to be raised, including through vocational colleges, apprenticeships and trade schools. Collective agreements must be required at all stages of procurement. Workwear must be provided for municipal staff in professions where this is required. We will continue to invest in full-time jobs and discourage shared shifts. Persons with disabilities should have conditions for work and an equal working life. In order for children and adults with disabilities to live independent lives safely, collaboration within the municipality as well as with other actors and new ways of working with smart technological solutions, such as metering machines, digital keys and interactive platforms are required.

#### School must give all children a good start in life - and not fatten venture

**capitalists.** The size of children's groups in preschool should be at or below the national average. Childminders should be able to study further to qualify as preschool teachers during working hours. Early interventions must be deployed to intercept pupils. Special teaching groups will also be introduced for younger pupils. Students with special needs will be offered continuous additional assistance throughout the school year. More special needs teachers will be hired. The activities of leisure centres must be quality assured. Collaboration with the region regarding students' mental health must improve. We want to see an end to the establishment of new limited company schools in the municipality, but continue to build new and modern schools.

**Our seniors deserve a meaningful old age and safe nursing care.** We want to build new care accommodation in Hällby and Skogstorp and in connection with these plan for security housing. Basic staffing in elderly care will be strengthened to prevent staff rotation. The municipality must ensure, in connection with new hires, that staff can communicate adequately. In order to break loneliness among the elderly, we want to give premises free of charge to pensioners' organisations and otherwise support and encourage the activities of associations for the elderly.

A healthcare we can trust, which is near and which is of high quality. An equal healthcare assumes that whoever is most in need gets care first. Waiting times must be reduced. Healthcare must also be adapted to people's circumstances and their ability to access it. Different types of healthcare choice systems rob hospitals of important expertise or force patients to seek care from several different providers even though this is not justified on medical grounds - which is why we are against free establishment for private companies in healthcare.

**Investment in sport and culture for greater quality of life.** We want to build two new full-sized football halls and at least one heated artificial turf pitch at Ekängen, as well as carry out a stadium and schoolyard improvements without affecting the pupil budget. The municipality must offer ice opportunity all year round. Association support should go exclusively to associations supporting democratic values. Cash support for sport for children and young people's participation will increase. Associations play a particularly important role in integration and must be supported in this work. Public art will be nurtured and, like sport, made available to more citizens.



### IN OUR GREEN INNOVATION CITY, THE WHOLE MUNICIPALITY WILL LIVE AND DEVELOP



**Eskilstuna will become Sweden's best municipality for small and mediumsized enterprises.** We will focus more on existing businesses being able to grow and new ones to establish themselves. Eskilstuna will improve its ranking on relevant ranking lists for the business community. Tenders will be designed to enable local companies to tender. Crime against businesses must be prioritised and countered through interaction with local business.

**Eskilstuna's city centre will become more attractive.** The stream will be an attractive part of the city. Adjacent to the larger children's playgrounds and other recreation areas, we want toilets and the potential kiosks or dining. In order to strengthen our role as a student city and attract students, we want to work towards an appealing and vibrant outdoor life.

#### Eskilstuna will continue to be at the forefront of a class-conscious green transition.

We will replace those activities where oil is still used within the municipal organization. Tenants and co-owning tenants must be able to charge electric cars. We want to make it easier for businesses to build congenial mobility hubs with fast charging places, food and toilets at thoroughfares. The network of bicycle lanes will be connected and connect well to the city centre. The rollout of free bus services for priority groups, such as pensioners, will continue. The deterioration in service and price shock caused by Mälartågen needs to be addressed. Environmental crime must be combated. The continued construction of, for example, youth housing and security housing will continue to be climate-smart.

#### The traffic situation must be resolved and more parking lots will be created.

In order to counteract unnecessary traffic jams with its consequential emissions, we would like to push for a prohibition of slow-moving vehicles in certain locations, e.g. at Västerleden. More streets will be opened up to car traffic and the number of parking spaces in the city centre will increase, for example along Nygatan. The parking fee should stimulate a vibrant centre and facilitate

payment for parking. We must fix the traffic problems with, for example, circulation points at Djurgårdsskolan and at Gap Sundin's road and reduce the speed where necessary, for example at Lagersberg School.

#### The countryside should be vibrant with, among other things, service points, unmanned shops and call-controlled public

transport. We will preserve the arable land that exists and develop the supply of locally produced food and enable the procurement of locally produced and prepared food in the municipality's own operations. We will promote functioning telephony and well-developed broadband. Public decoration should be prioritised even outside the city centre.



### **WE KEEP WHAT WE PROMISE**

Over the term, a lot has happened. Contrary to common prejudices about politicians promising much and delivering little, most politicians and parties in Sweden, regardless of colour, actually do what they say they will do. During this term of office, the political majority has delivered, among other things:

**Mälardalen University has become a university.** It is certainly not a municipal issue but through our work and that of our predecessors, the college has not only been built in the first place, but has now also become a university.

**1,000 summer jobs.** Summer work is super important for young people and society. Young people are allowed to experience the freedom of the fruits of work and find it easier to enter the labour market.

**New welfare buildings.** Elderly homes, kindergartens, upper secondary schools and schools have been built new or renovated at breakneck rates.

**Safe young**, is the name of a giant venture of SEK 30 million a year. The venture brings together social services, extracurricular activities, school and police, among others. The aim is to catch young people who are drifting early, give them a meaningful leisure time and be able to deploy police and social services more quickly if necessary.

**Measures against segregation**. Previous high levels of in-migration have led to high levels of segregation in some neighbourhoods. To counter that, among other things, we have introduced income requirements in the municipality-owned housing company. An area with too many people not going to work is not a good area.

We were one of the first municipalities in the country to introduce an activity obligation in order to receive income support. Anyone who does not suffer from an illness or similar problem must undergo individually tailored activities in order to receive income support. It can be learning Swedish or a profession. Anyone who can work should work.

**Loads of jobs and vocational training**. From having previously had far too few jobs, Eskilstuna is now in a situation where there are lots of jobs because of our targeted efforts to bring in more companies, but not enough people who are applying for them. Therefore, there are now record numbers of vocational training courses.



### **SEVERAL LANGUAGES**

#### On our website you will find our election program in more languages:



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### OUR ESKILSTUNA CAN DO BETTER

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