

GRÉNGT BLAT 2025

déi gréng Mamer



Dear citizens of the municipality of Mamer,

With this new edition of the gréngt Blat, we take the opportunity to inform you about our work as Green representatives in the Mamer municipal council. Together with our committed local section, we continue to work for a livable, sustainable, and solidarity-based community.

Adèle, Georgia an Djuna

YOUR LOCAL COUNCILLORS



**DJUNA
BERNARD**



**ADÈLE
SCHAAF-HAAS**



**GEORGIA
DROSOU**

3 QUESTIONS FOR OUR MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT DJUNA BERNARD

How have you adapted to your new role in Parliament?

In fact, very well - unfortunately there are now only four of us, which of course means that I follow more subjects. In all, they are: education, social affairs, culture, labour, health, the media and public administration. I enjoy learning about new topics, such as health - where I want to focus on mental health and women's health issues.

What are the major themes you'll be tackling over the next few months?

The biggest topic will undoubtedly be the pension reform. A major debate is taking place across the country and the parties are also due to present their proposals. For me, one thing is clear: we need a strong public pension system - one that tackles old-age poverty and also reduces the huge difference between men's and women's pensions. The theme of 'intergenerational equity' is of course also very important here - and I'm trying to represent the voice of young people here.

How do you experience the differences between national and local politics?

When I'm working on legislation in committee, I'm often helped by practical examples from the local community - for example on the subjects of culture or schools and childcare facilities. At the same time, I also see contradictions: at national level, there are calls to invest more in wind energy, affordable housing or greater solidarity in welcoming refugees, but these calls go unheeded.



BUDGET 2025

THE POSITION OF DÉI GRÉNG

During the vote on the 2025 budget, the Greens specifically drew attention to the disastrous financial policy of our municipality due to the record debt of 125 million euros, which has made us the highest in Luxembourg in terms of debt per capita.

In contrast, the political majority has no concrete objectives for financial restrictions, and the level of investments remains at an unsustainably high level. This policy thus raises questions about responsibility toward future generations.

The strategy to counteract the debt lies in the continued high demographic growth of about 4%, compared to the national average of 1.6%. We emphasized that this growth has a significant impact on future infrastructure (schools, daycare centers, and sports facilities), knowing that, at the current stage, the completion of infrastructure is struggling to keep pace with this growth.

This rapid development also leads to other issues, such as the sealing of land, increased traffic, and further exacerbates the lack of affordable housing. As in previous years, the current coalition has no long-term sustainable solutions aimed at reducing the impact on nature and climate: no concrete measures for adapting to climate change (e.g.,



flood protection), and no coherent mobility concept, especially in the interest of children and adolescents.

A new site for the installation of a wind turbine will be analyzed in 2025, after several years of analyzing other sites within our municipality. In our view, this has been a waste of time that could have been avoided. The same applies to the creation of affordable housing, which is also lacking in Mamer. Again, the budget for next year offers no proposals to address this.

This is why the Greens voted against the budget, not without submitting proposals in the form of „motions,“ which were then put to a vote in the municipal council.



THE GREENS IN THE LOCAL COUNCIL LOTS OF IDEAS AND PROPOSALS FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF MAMER

Over the last few months, we have presented numerous proposals to the local council. Unfortunately, they have often been rejected, dismissed or severely weakened by the majority. We would like to give you an overview of the issues we have tackled.

Rejected:



Hiring more specialist personnel in the fields of climate and nature protection and housing.



Better integration of all our fellow citizens in our municipality.



Taking responsibility for welcoming refugees.



Committing to the extension of the tram line between Luxembourg and Mamer.



A coherent, fast and safe network of cycle paths in our Commune.



Creating alternative forms of housing as part of the Housing 2.0 Pact.



A preparatory working session of the local council before the budget is tabled (joint motion with the DP).

In suspense:



Launch of a pilot project in the field of agroforestry.

Accepted:



Alternative venues in the commune for weddings or the registration of a PACS.

GEORGIA DROSOU

GEORGIA DROSOU HAS
BEEN A MEMBER OF
THE CITY COUNCIL SINCE
JANUARY 22, 2024.
SHE PRESENTS HERSELF:



My name is Georgia Drosou and I am Greek. As I have lived longer in Luxembourg (since 1990) than in my country of origin, I believe that the term “expatriate” does not apply to me. I felt very quickly at home here and easily appreciated the elements that had motivated me to move to the “heart of Europe”, which Luxembourg represented for me at the time. However, I had to give up a “dream” job to come here: I was an archaeologist working at the Ministry of culture, in a service organising exhibitions in many different countries. But my other dream, which was to live in a more multicultural and multilingual environment than Greece, proved more powerful and I seized the opportunity when I passed a translator competition in the EU.

And just like that, 35 years have passed; I met my Danish husband here and had 3 boys. I have had a wonderful and varied career in the European Commission, travelling regularly between Luxembourg and Brussels and acquiring experience in several areas such as translation, human resources, communication, training and evaluation and analysis methods.

Shortly before retirement I was honoured to be asked by the Greens to participate in the local elections. In January 2024 I entered the Municipal council and have since tried my best to understand how the system works and to represent the positions of the Greens and also the other non-Luxembourgish citizens of Mamer in particular. I speak 7 languages but not Luxembourgish, which

made it tough at the beginning to follow the discussions in the meetings (my understanding has improved in the meantime). A year on, though, I can testify that this experience has proved worth the effort: I discovered a parallel world, met nice and interesting people, made new friends and got to understand better how a commune really functions. For those of you who are considering taking such a step in the future, I can absolutely recommend it.

I am particularly involved in the work of the Consultative Committee for intercultural living, which is aiming to facilitate the connection and mutual understanding between the different communities in Mamer. We will launch several actions soon and will keep you informed via various channels.

MERCI MIM MOIEN DJUNA



After many years at the head of déi gréng Mamer, Mex Federmeier (2024) and Mim Bernard (2025) have both ended their term as co-presidents of déi gréng Mamer. We thank them very much for their commitment over this long period.

Djuna Bernard took over the presidency of the local section at the 2025 General Assembly.

och du wëlls eppes an denger Gemeng beweegen?

Du wëlls eng méi nohaltig, gerecht a liewenswäert Gemeng? Mir schaffen drun! Wanns du Loscht hues eis kennenzéieren, oder en Deel vun der grénger Ekipp ze ginn, da mell dech op mamer@greng.lu

Tu veux t'investir dans ta commune ?

Tu veux une commune durable et agréable à vivre? Nous y travaillons! Si tu veux nous rencontrer ou faire partie de l'équipe verte, n'hésite pas à nous contacter sur mamer@greng.lu

Want to make a difference in your municipality?

You want a more just, and sustainable municipality? We are working on it! If you want to get to know us, or to become part of our team, then get in touch via mamer@greng.lu



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YOU TOO, BECOME GREEN!**

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Sonndes | Dimanche | Sunday + SECOND HAND
06.07.2025 | 11-16h00

beim Mamer Schlass

1, Place de l'Indépendance, L-8252 Mamer



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