



**Election platform** 

**MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS 2021** 



# Let's put things in Espoo in the order of importance! No more delusional choices!

Perussuomalaiset is a patriotic and Christiansocial party.

- Espoo must remain an independent city and not become a district of Greater Helsinki.
- Debt-based growth and expenditure-increasing migration must be stopped.
- Espoo must be an attractive municipality for taxpayers and businesses.

We must ensure a smooth everyday life for working Espoo, where the safety of all city districts is guaranteed.

The Malmö way is not the Espoo way, and the Swedish way is not the Finnish way! Population growth based on multiculturalism must be abandoned. "We are not Helsinki residents, we do not want to become Vantaa residents, so let us be Espoo residents" — this highflying sentence leads us to the basic Finnish way in Espoo. At the municipal and national level, we need to clear our own path to the success of individuals and businesses.

It does not include population growth based on multiculturalism, which increases debt but not tax revenue. A growth strategy should be based on quality rather than quantity and generate more money than it consumes. Increasing the city's revenue stream will make Espoo an attractive place for businesses, which creates jobs and tax revenue.

A workplace alone is not a sufficient attraction, but the living environment must also be safe and comfortable. It is time to stop wandering and delusions and to get Espoo back to on the Espoo track.



## PROSPERITY IS CREATED BY WORK





#### ECONOMY

The debt-based growth program must be stopped

Improving governance is a necessity

The budget must be properly balanced! Decisions and implementations should be made in order of priority

A determined restructuring program must be launched to eliminate unnecessary things Self-monitoring of the cost effects of supply chains State contributions still need to be made fair Espoo must also remain an attractive municipality for taxpayers Espoo's growth program has been an effort to increase only the population. The migration gain in Espoo is almost entirely due to immigration. Such population growth means new spending on housing and city services.

Espoo is a heavily indebted city, and the income is not enough – too much debt has already been taken. The increase in the number of inhabitants must also be accompanied by an increase in tax revenues for the city. Under no circumstances may tax revenue be reduced!

The budget deficit must be reduced by prioritizing spending items. An increase in the municipal tax is not necessary if the city is able to slow down large debt-based purchases (e.g., the Espoo-Lohja railway line). We cannot sell municipal property for debt management.

## EDUCATION IS THE FOUNDATION OF SUCCESS





#### **TRAINING AND EDUCATION**

A harmonious classroom environment must be ensured, and the position of teachers must be improved. Manners must be emphasized, and the teaching of the Finnish language must be increased

Vocational education must be provided in accordance with the needs of working life Northern Espoo must have its own high school

International research work must be promoted Improving general education also requires promoting dissemination of culture We want well-maintained mildew-free primary and secondary schools for children in Espoo. In addition, we demand sufficient funding for schools to ensure harmonious school environments. Schools need to be creative and peaceful places to learn.

Good manners and knowledge of the Finnish language are the basis for success in life and work. Teaching manners and Finnish in schools needs to be increased. The purpose of vocational education is to meet the needs of working life. School trips in big Espoo must not become too long and schools must not be too crowded. High school education is needed in both Northern and Southern Espoo. Cooperation with local universities should be used in education.

Espoo libraries must have sufficient staff. Closures of local libraries must be stopped, and self-service libraries must be turned into staffed libraries. The acquisition of library materials should not be reduced, and libraries do not have to be placed in expensive shopping centres.



#### SECURITY IS A NECESSITY





#### SECURITY

A safe growth environment must be ensured for children and young people.

All streets in Espoo must be made safe! We need to develop neighbourhood security programs and get the local police back on our streets.

Return own shelter homes back to Espoo. Districts overrepresented by foreign language speakers should not be allowed to come into existence in Espoo.

No new refugee reception centres in Espoo! The reception of quota refugees must be stopped. Safety is one of the prerequisites for a good life and Espoo is able to offer safety to all its residents, from babies to grandparents. A safe growth environment for children and young people must be guaranteed throughout the Espoo region, according to the specific characteristics of each city district. This will be done, for example, with more comprehensive street lighting arrangements.

The local police force needs to be restored and sufficient resources need to be channelled into multi-professional activities. In addition, Espoo needs its own shelters for family crises. Even large-scale government action will not help if society drifts into a structurally insecure state.

The segregation of foreign language speakers into their own neighbourhoods must be prevented. Let's make Espoo safer together!



**ESPOO IS PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE** FOR THE WELL-**BEING OF ITS RESIDENTS** 



#### **SOCIAL AND HEALTH POLICY**

There must be sufficient day-care places near people's homes

The level of care for the elderly and the position of caregivers need to be improved

Special parking rights for home care vehicles Comprehensive health services with domestic language fluency requirements for the staff

Support for schoolchildren and youth mental health services must be increased, and the exclusion of young people prevented

Support for the daily lives and hobbies of families with children must be increased

Immigrants must be instructed in the ways of Finnish culture

Espoo must offer high-quality social and health services from babies to grandparents, not forgetting the weaker sections of society. Spending cuts for health centres must be stopped and queues thereof must be dismantled. The level of care for the elderly must be improved, thus ensuring that caregivers can cope for their loved ones and that parking for home care vehicles is available. Espoo must offer more daycare places close to home.

In addition, the opportunities for immigrants to acquire Finnish culture and official languages of Finland must be increased.

We will invest in care for the elderly, health centres, Espoo Hospital and student health care. Their funding must be guaranteed at least at current levels. Substance abuse and mental health services need to be available with shorter waiting times.









#### **CITY PLANNING AND HOUSING**

People-centred architecture and natural urban planning must not remain a fairy tale

Over-compaction and construction of buildings too close together must be stopped

The sufficient number of parking spaces must be ensured at the planning stage

Own housing production and construction quality control must be increased

The municipality must have enough affordable employment and family housing for work-related migration

Residents need to be better listened to in their neighbourhoods Detached house and park areas must not be zoned as apartment building areas

Additional zoning must be careful and emphasized on small homes

Espoo is expanding like yeast dough, comfort and economy is disappearing, and alienation intensifying. For a long time, Espoo has only been zoned on the terms of debt-based growth, which had had to be as fast and massive as possible. We Espoo residents need sustainable and peopleoriented city zoning.

The development of Espoo should not be based on population growth but on more creative and highquality urban planning. At the same time, our goal is to reduce the general cost of housing. Residents must also be involved. Municipal initiatives must be taken as a clear part of decision-making.









#### **NATURE AND WELL-BEING**

The developing and modern city must preserve the diverse cultural landscape of Espoo Recreation areas must be maintained in growth centres

The area and role of Central Park must not be reduced

The cleanliness and safety of the recreation areas must be maintained in a controlled manner The maintenance of water bodies, rivers and green areas needs to be stepped up Nature tourism and outdoor exercise must be promoted

Espoo's natural and cultural landscape is threatened by over-construction and excessive compaction. The transformation of the garden city into a monotonous concrete jungle must be prevented. Successful neighbourhoods must not be ruined by confusing and overcrowded additional construction. Tapiola's mistakes should not be repeated elsewhere! Let us create a network of city trails with signs and rest places to get acquainted with the cultural and recreational destinations of the home region.

Natural greenways between nature sites must be preserved to protect biodiversity.



# Espoon Perus

#### **EFFICIENT TRANSPORT MAKES EVERYDAY LIFE EASIER**

#### LIIKENNE

Using private cars must not be penalized and there

must be enough free parking spaces No to congestion charges! Better traffic planning

instead

The city-wide public bus network needs to be restored

Free public transport for pensioners The safety of school routes must be ensured Railroad investments must be reduced, in particular the Espoo-Lohja railway line must not be implemented Espoo is the city of the future, with room for reasonable private car use as well as the use of public transport and alternative modes of transport. Traffic planning is based on the possibility of using the means of transport that is suitable at any given time. Public transport must meet the needs of residents.

Pensioners must be entitled to free public transport. The safety of school routes must be guaranteed by streetlights, traffic lights, guards and speed bumps. More free parking spaces need to be planned for private car use. Street parking must be made free.

The congestion charge is an unnecessary surcharge. Bus traffic must not be further degraded, but instead transverse traffic in particular must be developed.

