You ask whether parents discuss political issues with their children and parental views of children of 16 being allowed to vote.

Our eldest is 15 so we do discuss political questions with her, eg on the play of competing interests that underlie many political issues, and the constraints that limit the frankness and honesty of political 'discourse'.

I think that giving the vote to children of 16 was another piece of unnecessary populism on the part of some Jersey politicians. Children of that age will be too subject to unreflective fashion. It is curious that as longevity steadily increases such an age should be brought down.

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