

A portrait of Tommy Klein, a man with shoulder-length brown hair and a light beard, wearing a white button-down shirt. He is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. The background is a blurred green landscape.

Bravely into the Future.

Tommy Klein

Your Mayor for Ludwigslust

Dear residents of Ludwigslust,

On November 26th, you have the choice. You decide who your next mayor will be. My name is Tommy Klein, I am 35 years old, and I work as the parliamentary group manager for the Green Party in the County Council. I have been politically active since I was 17, and now I want to seize the opportunity to make Ludwigslust an even more livable place with fresh ideas and enthusiasm. The challenges of tomorrow are diverse but solvable. Bold action, mutual respect, and a dash of humor will help us navigate through any crisis.

Ludwigslust becomes climate-neutral and sustainable

The consequences of climate change are now unmistakable for everyone. Heatwaves and other extreme weather events are becoming more frequent. To mitigate the effects for future generations, there is not much time left. We should be climate-neutral by 2035 at the latest. The city can and must make a significant contribution with its energy policy. Renewable electricity and heat supply guarantee low prices, independence, and relieve you from private investments. That's why I want to address the following points:

- ✿ **Establishment of a district heating network through geothermal energy and large heat pumps**
- ✿ **Expansion of municipal electricity production through wind and solar power**
- ✿ **Installation of photovoltaic canopies over parking lots**
- ✿ **Promotion of waste reduction, recycling, and upcycling**
- ✿ **Deciphering paved areas and generous tree planting**
- ✿ **Development of a municipal heat protection plan**

The city dedicated to its people

In Ludwigslust, everyone should feel comfortable, whether young or old, whether from here or elsewhere, whether with disabilities or without. An open and tolerant coexistence fosters social cohesion, while hatred, incitement, and misinformation offer no solutions but only revel in problems. To address this, it is key to offer clear communication of information, figures, and facts, and modern structures, such as:

- ⦿ **A fully digitalized town hall**
- ⦿ **Understandable regulations and simple applications**
- ⦿ **The abolition of administrative fees**
- ⦿ **Reduction of bureaucracy, saving costs and time**
- ⦿ **Participation opportunities like citizen surveys and referendums**

The mobility of tomorrow. Clean, quiet, and barrier-free

Mobility plays a significant role in people's lives. How do I get to work, school, the doctor, or to friends and family? Ludwigslust is well connected to long-distance transportation, whether by train or car. Nevertheless, the city suffers from high inner-city traffic, diminishing its attractiveness and affecting the health and well-being of its residents. Solutions for future mobility are urgently needed. Therefore, I want to:

- ⦿ **Implement an extensive traffic concept with traffic-calmed zones**
- ⦿ **Implement accessible pedestrian crossings and more crosswalks**
- ⦿ **Expand and renovate bike paths**
- ⦿ **Establish a comprehensive charging infrastructure for electric cars**
- ⦿ **Advocate for the expansion of public transport and the railway system**

Facing the demographic change head-on

Our population is getting older, with over 50% of Ludwigslust's residents already being over 50 years old. With the retirement of the baby boomer generation in the coming years, the existing skilled labor shortage will intensify significantly. The city must focus on motivating young people to stay and attracting new residents. This can be achieved through:

- ⦿ **A focus on future technologies in economic policy**
- ⦿ **Support for sustainable startups**
- ⦿ **Free and healthy meals in daycare and schools**
- ⦿ **A wide range of sports and leisure activities and the construction of a swimming pool**
- ⦿ **Increased funding for youth work.**

Your vote for me is a vote for the future. Let's get started.
Sincerely yours,

Tommy Klein

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