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Role: deputy First Minister **Constituency:** Lagan Valley **Party:** DUP |**Last updated:** 21 June 2026

Bio

Detail	Info
Name	Emma Little-Pengelly
Constituency	Lagan Valley
Party	DUP
First elected	2022 (current mandate)
Role	deputy First Minister

Key Information

- MLA for Lagan Valley
- deputy First Minister

9 June 2026: Good Jobs Bill — "half-baked"

During Assembly exchanges, Little-Pengelly accused Sinn Féin of trying to "bully and bounce her" into supporting the Good Jobs Bill, describing the proposed legislation as "half-baked" with no business support. She offered to back it if Economy Minister Caoimhe Archibald (SF) agreed to split the bill and remove new trade union access clauses. Archibald said she wouldn't "be leaving anyone behind." ICTU said the DUP's position showed "blatant disregard for the democratic process." (Source: BBC News NI)

28 May 2026: Good Jobs Bill comments

During the Executive debate on the Good Jobs Bill, Little-Pengelly said "the people that create good jobs are businesses" and argued that the balance of the legislation needed to be correct. She emphasised the need to work with businesses rather than impose new burdens. (*Source: BBC*)

Twitter/X Discussion

“ Source: Nitter search, 26 May 2026

No significant discussion found on Nitter/X for this period — section created on setup.

Reddit Discussion

“ Source: Reddit, 26 May 2026

No significant discussion found yet — section created on setup.

Sources

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 - BBC Northern Ireland: https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/northern_ireland
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