

Andrew Wheatley

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Andrew Wheatley is Minister of Science, Energy and Technology of Jamaica. He is Deputy General Secretary of the Jamaica Labour Party and is in his second term as Member of Parliament for South Central St. Catherine. He has served as Councillor of the Naggo Head Division of the St. Catherine Southern Constituency for 9 years. From 2003 to 2005, he was Deputy Mayor of Spanish Town and Vice-Chairman of the St. Catherine Parish Council. From 2005 to 2012, he was the Mayor of Spanish Town and Chairman of the St. Catherine Parish Council.

He was also Vice President of the Association of Local Government Authorities of Jamaica.

Mr Wheatley is an accomplished academic and a British Commonwealth Scholar. He holds a bachelor's degree in biochemistry and chemistry and a doctorate in basic medicine from the University of the West Indies and the Imperial College of the University of London.

Mr Wheatley is a senior lecturer in basic medicine and a research scientist at the University of the West Indies and his work focuses on diabetes management, reversal of the effects of cocaine addiction, genetic engineering against disease and stress conditions, pharmaceutical properties of indigenous materials and tissue culturing.