

Statement ahead of President Trump's inauguration: "a dangerous turn toward right-wing populism"

Green Party Co-Leaders, Adrian Ramsay and Carla Denyer released a joint statement ahead of President Trump's inauguration saying:

"We must stand up for peace and democracy in what will be a dangerous turn toward right-wing populism in the wake of Donald Trump taking office.

"The antidote to Trump in the US, and the likes of Reform in the UK, is to offer people a real hope for real positive change that will transform their lives.

"That means a new offer to people beaten down by decades of low wages, insecure work, decimated public services and a realisation that the impact of the climate crisis is all around us in the form of floods, wildfires and a devastating loss of nature.

"We need the green investment to deliver the jobs of the future – well-paid, meaningful and secure – and we need the UK government to invest properly in schools and the NHS, and stand up for international law and human rights.

"A greener future is a more just and fairer future.

"The Green Party is clear – President Trump is a misogynist, a racist, a convicted criminal and, we believe, a fascist.

"We will be pressing the Labour government to recognise that to defeat fascism, political parties that believe in democratic values must work together to keep the flame of democracy alive and show people that democratic politics can deliver real change."

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Green Party welcomes Gaza ceasefire and calls for root causes of the

conflict to be addressed

Ellie Chowns, MP for North Herefordshire and Green Party Foreign Affairs spokesperson, said: “I welcome the news of a ceasefire agreement between the Israeli government and Hamas. This is a vital step to halt the devastating violence that has claimed tens of thousands of lives and caused unimaginable suffering, particularly for the people of Gaza. I also welcome reports that hostages are being released, bringing relief to many families.

“The Green Party has been calling for a ceasefire since October 2023, and while this agreement offers hope, it must mark the beginning of addressing the root causes of the conflict. The ongoing occupation, the siege of Gaza, and systemic violations of Palestinian rights cannot continue.

“The UK government must formally recognise the State of Palestine. Recognising Palestine is a vital step toward justice, equality, and a sustainable peace. It demonstrates a commitment to international law and a balanced approach to the region.

“Suspending some arms sales to Israel is not enough. The Green Party has consistently called for a full suspension of all arms exports to the Israeli military. This includes UK-supplied weapons parts, such as components of the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter, which evidence suggests have been used in ways that violate international law and exacerbate the humanitarian crisis.

“The UK must support efforts to hold all those responsible for violations of international law accountable. We must ensure that humanitarian aid flows freely into Gaza to address the urgent needs of those who have endured this catastrophic violence.

“True peace requires justice, dignity, and equality for all people in the region. This is a moment for global leaders to act with courage and commitment, working towards a future where Palestinians and Israelis can live in peace, free from fear, violence, and oppression. Let us ensure that this ceasefire marks not just the end of the bombs, but the beginning of a pathway to lasting peace and justice.”

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Greens react to increased threats of war and climate change

Responding to the World Economic Forum’s Global Risks Report, Green Party co-leader and MP for Waveney Valley, Adrian Ramsay said:

“War and climate change are rightly recognised by global business and political leaders as the biggest risks to the world in the coming years. The major question is what they will do about them.

“The World Economic Forum meeting in Davos next week needs not just to recognise the problems but to act. For UK leaders, that means pressing for the rapid and irrevocable shift away from fossil fuels and an insistence that international laws and agreements are respected and implemented.

“No state, whoever its leader, should be allowed to tear up international agreements to tackle climate change or bully its neighbours with threats of war.”

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[Greens respond to Badenoch's "shocking" comments](#)

Responding to the [comments made by the Leader of The Conservative Party, Kemi Badenoch on GBNews](#), Green Party Co-Leader, Carla Denyer MP said,

“These comments are shockingly offensive and irresponsible. Kemi Badenoch is the leader of the opposition – she should know better than to peddle this backwards Islamophobia which only leads to division and hatred in our communities, and drives support for the far right.

Any politician who is serious about tackling sexual abuse and exploitation of girls in this country must put the victims and their needs front and centre – not use the issue as an excuse to push their own agenda and try to make political capital.

I hope to see senior Conservatives distancing themselves from Badenoch's comments this morning – as politicians we all have a responsibility to our communities to stop a dangerous race to the bottom in how we speak about these issues.”

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There is a green elephant in the room with government's AI plans

Responding to the news that Government plans for [AI to be "mainlined into the veins" of the nation](#), Green Party Co-Leader, Adrian Ramsay MP, said,

"The potential for AI is huge and Greens welcome the potential it holds, especially in research and innovation.

However, this plan comes almost exclusively from engagement with industry and investors and does not account for the views of the public, or the people working in our public services, about where AI should or should not be used. If AI is to serve our public services, its uses must instead be driven by the voices of those most affected by this technology development and deployment. This of course has to include addressing concerns around privacy and rights over their information"

He continued, "In addition, there is a green elephant in the room with neither government nor business truly addressing the environmental impacts of AI. One estimate said AI-related infrastructure may soon consume six times more water than Denmark, a country of 6 million people. And a request made through ChatGPT consumes 10 times the electricity of a Google Search. Yet the action plan does not address these crucial questions of environmental sustainability, let alone the debate about the relative gains from AI versus these obvious harms."

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