Caroline Lucas will not re-stand in next General Election — Green Party statement



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Caroline Lucas announced this morning that she does not intend to re-stand as a candidate for parliament in the next General Election [1].

Lucas has held the seat in Brighton Pavilion since being elected in 2010 and has increased her majority at every subsequent election.

Commenting on the news, Co-leader Carla Denyer said: "Caroline's impact on politics in this country cannot be overstated: she truly is a force of nature and has been an extraordinary servant of the people of Brighton Pavilion as well as the Green Party. We are so proud of her achievements.

"Whether securing significant policy changes, shaping the conversation, or modelling a different way of doing politics — Caroline demonstrates how essential it is to have Green voices in UK politics. I've learnt so much from her, she is an inspiration to me and to many people inside and outside the Green Party who want to see positive change in politics ."

Co-leader Adrian Ramsay said: "Caroline's contribution to our national life has been something to behold for the more than two decades we've known one another. Very few politicians can claim to have changed the course of the national debate in the way Caroline has. She has brought so much to us as a party, shown real integrity in her work and added a crucial dimension to our democracy in this country.

"Having MPs who are genuinely dedicated to standing up for the climate and nature could not be more important than it is right now and that's why we are striving to get more Green MPs elected at the next General Election so that we can build on Caroline's achievements."

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https://twitter.com/CarolineLucas/status/1666675402775883778

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