

Conservatives want to hand big business a free pass to burn up the planet

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Conservative plans to axe carbon taxes threaten Britain's progress to reduce greenhouse gas, which fell by 2 % in 2025 (1), according to provisional government data released today.

The Conservative move to scrap the UK Emissions Trading Scheme comes a month after the US said it would no longer regulate emissions (2).

Green Party Deputy Leader Rachel Millward said: "Yet again, we have the Conservatives trailing after Donald Trump rather than standing up for the people of this country who desperately need big business to clean up its act.

"The Conservatives are in the pockets of the fossil fuel companies who have been lobbying hard to reverse the limited gains we have seen in recent years (3).

"We want carbon taxes strengthened to incentivise industries to move faster to the sustainable green future that will protect jobs and our environment."

NOTES TO EDITORS

1. [2025 UK greenhouse gas emissions: provisional figures – statistical release – GOV.UK](#)
2. [Trump's EPA will end the basis for federal climate actions : NPR](#)
3. [The Vested Interests Lobbying for North Sea Oil and Gas Expansion – DeSmog](#)

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