COP30 deal falls way short — morally, economically, environmentally and scientifically, say Greens

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Reacting to the final COP30 deal in Belém, Brazil, which <u>made do direct</u> <u>reference to the fossil fuels responsible for creating the climate crisis</u>, Green MP Ellie Chowns, said:

"Today's deal falls way short of what this moment demands — morally, economically, environmentally and scientifically.

"Burning the fossil fuels to which we already have access will result in breaching the 1.5 degrees of warming limit in the Paris Agreement so it's deeply shocking that world leaders have squandered this critical opportunity to end the fossil fuel era.

"Banning vested interests from the COP process is long overdue and there cannot be another round of climate talks where they're allowed to exert so much power and influence. And when tasked with delivering on a climate finance deal that's fit for purpose for those countries that have done least to cause the climate crisis, the richest governments have shown scandalous neglect for their responsibilities, with no new money on the table for adaptation for example.

"The UK's claims to climate leadership lay in tatters — from Labour's refusal to finance global forest protection to reports that they've been actively blocking ambitious progress on a just transition. The public remains strongly behind bold and hopeful climate action — they need to be heard. And young people, global majorities, indigenous peoples and others at the front line of this crisis need to be front and centre in order to get a liveable future back on track."

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