

Government ministers are not above the law



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Responding to today's High Court ruling that the Government's use of "VIP lanes" for granting contracts during the pandemic was unlawful [1], Green Party co-leader Carla Denyer said:

"This is a tremendously important ruling. When Conservative ministers dodgily chose to give contracts to their mates rather than getting best value for the country and the NHS, they not only wasted taxpayers' money, their actions also put lives at risk.

"Government ministers are not above the law, despite what they seem to believe. We now need constitutional reform to prevent the abuse of power that Conservatives have indulged in happening in the first place."

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<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2022/jan/12/use-of-vip-lane-to-award-covid-ppe-contracts-unlawful-high-court-rules>

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