

Green co-leader says Trump remarks 'must not be accepted as part of mainstream politics'



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Jonathan Bartley, co-leader of the Green Party, has signed welcomed the initiative from Hope Not Hate (1) to show solidarity with Reps. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, Ayanna Pressley, Rashida Tlaib and Ilhan Omar following tweets from the US President.

He said: "Donald Trump's behaviour is racist. Let's be clear about that, as the Tory leadership contenders were not last night.

"I'm proud that the Green Party has been a leader in calling out dog-whistle politics over years in which it has been all too common in our politics.

"But the US President's tweets went beyond that.

"We have seen a highly disturbed rise of Far Right rhetoric and support in many countries, but in all of them, it represents the views of only a tiny minority.

"It is crucial that such remarks are identified as beyond the pale of acceptable discourse, that they aren't accepted as in any way part of mainstream politics, and solidarity is shown to individuals targeted by them.

"That is why I'm delighted to sign this letter."

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(1) <https://donate.hopenothate.org.uk/page/s/solidarity-with-the-congresswomen-of-colour>

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