<u>Green Party brands this "the climate election" as they launch campaign in Bristol</u>



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- · Green Party pledges to invest £100bn in climate action a year for the next decade
- \cdot Party sets out ambition to make Britain carbon neutral by 2030
- \cdot Co-leader Sian Berry: "Some things are even bigger than Brexit. This must be the climate election"

The Green Party today [6 November] pledged to invest £100 billion in climate action each year for a decade as it announces the most ambitious Green New Deal of any political party at its campaign launch [1] in Bristol.

The Greens set out their ambitions to make Britain fossil free by 2030 with the biggest public investment in decades in order to protect the future of our planet [2].

Sian Berry, Co-Leader of the Green Party, urged voters to make 12 December the "climate election" and ensure it goes down in history as the turning point in the fight for climate justice.

Deputy leader Amelia Womack set out the Green's plan to get to carbon neutrality by 2030 by building 100,000 energy-efficient homes each year, revolutionising transport infrastructure, rapidly rolling out renewable energy in Britain and creating hundreds of thousands of low carbon jobs.

The launch took place in Bristol West, one of the Green Party's key target seats as it looks to build on the two best ever election results in Green Party history [3].

Carla Denyer, the Green's candidate for Bristol West, also spoke at the

launch. Denyer, currently a councillor on Bristol City Councillor, proposed the first Climate Emergency motion in the UK in November 2018 [4].

Berry said:

"Let's be honest about the situation we're in. We know these are dark times. It's easy to fear the future.

"The threat of Brexit hangs over our heads, the climate emergency rages from the Amazon to the Arctic, and our fragile democracy is under attack.

"But despite all this, Greens don't fear the future. We welcome the future. Because we know that we stand at the threshold of what could be the most exciting and prosperous period of British history."

Womack said:

"This could be our last chance to elect a Parliament to keep us below dangerous warming.

"The climate doesn't care about promises. The environment doesn't care about pledges.

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