

# Green Party co-leader Carla Denyer to join Day of Action on Empty Homes



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- Newly-elected co-leader will speak at event organised by Campaign Against Empty Homes
- Denyer will back a call to retrofit 270,000 long-term empty homes to help alleviate housing, health and climate crises
- Denyer: "A retrofitting revolution would bring long-term empty homes and council estates back into use, providing warm, comfortable homes for many of those who currently can't afford one, while helping to reduce emissions"

Newly-elected Green Party co-leader Carla Denyer will be speaking at a Day of Action on Empty Homes, where she will back a call to retrofit 270,000 long term empty homes, as well as council estates, to help solve the housing, climate and health crises.

Denyer, who was elected as Green Party co-leader alongside Adrian Ramsay last week [1], will be speaking at the event organised by the Campaign Against Empty Homes on Saturday [2].

Denyer said:

"The housing crisis in this country is hurting families and communities across England and Wales and causing serious damage to the climate and our natural environment.

"Before Covid, more than 3 million people in England and a further 155,000 in Wales were living in fuel poverty [3]. By failing to adequately insulate homes the government is forcing people to spend money they don't have, to burn fossil fuels that the world can't afford to burn.

"This does not need to be the case. A retrofitting revolution would bring long-term empty homes and council estates back into use, providing warm, comfortable homes for many of those who currently can't afford one, while helping to reduce emissions.

"This is a clear case of where the Green solution is not only the best for the environment, but it also means communities do not get broken up and families would not have to face the prospect of getting through another winter while struggling to pay their fuel bills."

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Notes

<https://www.greenparty.org.uk/news/2021/10/01/carla-denyer-and-adrian-ramsay-announced-as-new-green-party-co-leaders/>

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<https://www.actiononemptyhomes.org/News/day-of-action-october-9th>

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[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/966509/Annual\\_Fuel\\_Poverty\\_Statistics\\_LILEE\\_Report\\_2021\\_\\_2019\\_data\\_.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/966509/Annual_Fuel_Poverty_Statistics_LILEE_Report_2021__2019_data_.pdf)

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