## <u>Green Party of England and Wales</u> <u>statement on Holocaust Memorial Day</u> 2020



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Today is Holocaust Memorial Day and the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz. We are also approaching the 25th anniversary of the genocide in Srebrenica.

The world in which we live has not woken up from the nightmare of genocide and ethnic cleansing. We see the effects in Myanmar and Xinjiang. In the UK, hate crime and intolerance are on the rise targeting many minorities including Jews, Muslims, LGBTQ+ and Gypsy, Sinti and Roma people but affecting us all.

In the Green Party we support the work of the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust to educate about the Holocaust, to keep alive the memory of its victims and ensure its lessons are never forgotten. We encourage everyone to engage with the Holocaust remembrance events happening across the country. The theme of this year's events is 'stand together'. We stand together to protect our neighbours, to stop racism and fascism at its earliest stages, and so provide safety for all in our communities and make 'never again' a reality for all.

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