

Green Party urges government to extend eviction ban



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The Green Party has urged the government to extend the ban on evictions in England and Wales that is due to end on Sunday (20 September).

Ahead of the expected end of the ban, Sian Berry, Green Party co-leader and Mayor of London candidate, said:

“Everybody has a right to a home. It is frankly unconscionable that during a pandemic and a massive economic downturn people face being forced on to the streets.

“Unfortunately, neither the Conservatives nor Labour are doing enough to help renters hit by the coronavirus crisis.

“The short extensions to the ban have done nothing to alleviate the fears of renters up and down the country. We are now once again on the precipice of a homelessness crisis which will not only bring misery to many but will also hinder any effort to tackle Covid-19.

“We must do whatever it takes to protect people through the pandemic and that means a permanent ban on evictions for the duration of this crisis.

“As with most crises, it is the poorest and most vulnerable who face being hardest hit. It is within the government’s power to ensure nobody is left without the basic human right of a roof over their head.”

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