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- **Green Party will appoint Carbon Chancellor to oversee Green New Deal and carbon budget**
- **Position at the head of a new Department for the Green New Deal will drive through shift from current focus on economic growth to environmental and social well-being**

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