

Greens launch vision for future off back of leadership elections



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- * **Greens launch Political Programme setting out vision for future**
- * **Party's plan for "radical system overhaul" focuses on People's Vote on Brexit, action on climate change and overhaul of world of work**
- * **Jonathan Bartley: "We are the only party with the bright ideas needed to face the future"**

The Green Party has put forward its bold alternative to the "vapid centrism" which has dominated politics in recent decades.

The party today launched its Political Programme [1] as part of its election planning, outlining Green plans for the "radical system overhaul" needed to equip Britain to face the future.

Jonathan Bartley, co-leader of the Green Party, criticised centrism for "disillusioning a generation of voters" as he put forward his party's alternative to "old school, moderate politics".

The Political Programme includes plans to:

- * Return democracy to the British public with a People's Vote on the final Brexit deal
- * Tackle climate change with an end to fracking and investment in a renewable revolution
- * Overhaul the world of work with a four day week and a Universal Basic Income

The announcement comes three days after it was announced Jonathan Bartley and Sian Berry won the Green leadership race [2]. They will take office on

September 15 when Bartley's current co-leader, Caroline Lucas, will step back after deciding not to re-stand [3].

Bartley and Berry have promised to set the Green Party on path to become Britain's third political party.

Jonathan Bartley, co-leader of the Green Party, said:

"I'm excited to put forward the Green alternative to old school, moderate politics. Vapid centrism has failed the big challenges of our time and disillusioned a generation of voters in the process.

"People deserve politics with passion, and politicians who are brave enough to stand up for what they believe in. That's why we're building a fierce Green resistance to fight for what Britain really needs: radical system overhaul.

"From championing a People's Vote on Brexit to proposing bold policies like a four day working week we are the only party who can be trusted to always put forward the bright ideas needed to face the future."

Notes:

1.
<https://www.greenparty.org.uk/assets/images/national-site/political-programme-web.pdf>
2.
<https://www.greenparty.org.uk/news/2018/09/04/green-party-announces-jonathan-bartley-and-sian-berry-as-new-leaders/>
3.
<https://www.greenparty.org.uk/news/2018/06/04/caroline-lucas-not-re-standing-for-green-party-leadership/>

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