

Parliamentary vote on British troop deployment in Ukraine ‘minimum democratic standard’ say Greens

7 January 2026 by [Green Party](#)

Reacting to news that [MPs will have a debate and vote](#) before any UK troops are deployed on peacekeeping duties in Ukraine, Dr Ellie Chowns MP said:

“The Green Party supports the principle of UK troops serving in a peacekeeping role in Ukraine following a negotiated ceasefire, with a robust international mandate and safeguards, as a necessary precaution to protect civilians and help maintain a sustainable peace. I’m pleased the Prime Minister has confirmed there will be a parliamentary vote before the deployment of any British troops to Ukraine; that commitment to parliamentary oversight is the minimum democratic standard.

“MPs must be able to robustly scrutinise the details of the government’s proposal in full before any British troops are deployed, including the size, scale, and composition of forces (and what weapons they will be equipped with), clear rules of engagement so our forces can serve both as a credible deterrent and a non-escalatory presence, the precise objectives and measurable indicators for how we will know peace has been secured, and a clear withdrawal plan tied to those outcomes.”

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The only target for the number of people killed on the road should be zero, say Greens

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Responding to the government’s [new Road Safety Strategy](#), which was announced today, Wednesday 7th January, Green MP, Siân Berry, said:

“The only target for the number of people killed on the road should be zero. With this strategy, the Government has massively overlooked key actions to cut traffic and achieve safer and slower vehicle speeds, which are truly

effective at saving lives and essential to reaching this goal.

“The Government should follow the example of Wales, where the national default 20mph limit reduced road casualties on 20mph and 30mph roads by 26 per cent in the first 12 months of its introduction. That represents 630 people in Wales who made it home safely.”

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[Greens challenge Labour to stand up for international law and state sovereignty](#)

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Reacting to President Trump’s threats towards Greenland, Green MP Carla Denyer said:

“Buoyed up by his imperialistic adventures in Venezuela, where he trampled over international law, Trump is now eyeing up Greenland.

“A year of pandering to the President has had no restraining effect whatsoever. It is time for Keir Starmer and government ministers to show some backbone.

“They must make clear that the UK will not tolerate an attack on Greenland and that they will stand up for international law and state sovereignty. Not selectively, but wherever such violations take place and whoever is committing them – whether that be Putin in Ukraine, Netanyahu in Gaza, or Trump in Venezuela, and now potentially in Greenland.

“The Green Party will always reject “might is right” authoritarianism, where military power is used to trump sovereignty and the rule of law. Diplomacy, cooperation and peacebuilding efforts must be strengthened.”

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Greens accuse Conservatives of ‘appalling arrogance’ over push to scrap Church of England reparations fund

30 December 2025 by [Green Party](#)

In response to a group of Conservative MPs and peers pushing for the Church of England to [scrap plans](#) to spend £100m on a programme of investment in communities damaged by the enslavement of African people during the transatlantic slave trade, Global Majority Greens spokesperson on Reparations, Antoinette Fernandez, said:

“The Church of England’s fundraising programme for reparations is exactly what an institution like the Church should be doing, not just because it is in line with the teachings of the Christian faith, but also because of basic human decency.

“Conservative MP’s attempting to block the Church shows an appalling arrogance and inhumane dismissal of human rights.”

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Local people need to have their say – Greens react to prospect of postponed elections

23 December 2025 by [Green Party](#)

Reacting to prospect of [local elections in May 2026 being postponed](#), Green Party peer Jenny Jones said:

“This is Labour playing the get out of jail free card. As their support around the country tanks, this invitation from the minister to avoid the ballot box next May offers Labour-run councils an opportunity to avoid meltdown at the polls. It would also prop up tired and stale Conservative administrations.

“Local people need to have their say in who they believe is best placed to tackle local issues in their communities.

“The Electoral Commission has [said](#) that extending existing mandates risks affecting the legitimacy of local decision making and damaging public confidence. We agree – democracy is too important to be considered a distraction.

“Greens are raring to go – indeed our candidates and local campaign teams are already out knocking on doors, speaking to residents and delivering newsletters. We’re gearing up to win many more seats across England in May.”

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