<u>Green Party response to Government's</u> <u>Industrial Strategy</u>

23 June 2025 by Green Party

Responding to the government's <u>Industrial Strategy</u> that was published today, co-leader of the Green Party, Carla Denyer MP, said:

"This Industrial Strategy looks like another missed opportunity from the Labour government. The move away from polluting oil and gas towards clean power offers huge wins for communities, for workers and for industry — but that requires government to make a clear plan to urgently phase out fossil fuels, make polluting companies pay to retrain workers, and to harness the skills and innovation this country has in bucket loads.

"The investment in skills announced in today's strategy is welcome, and the move towards clean sources of power like wind and solar offers huge opportunities for good-quality jobs in futureproofed industries.

"But the failure to make a plan for those currently working in high-carbon industries is short-sighted. 3 million workers across the UK will need reskilling and retraining in order to make the most of the green jobs boom and fossil fuel giants must shoulder the cost of this.

"We also need to see measures to ensure that all investment in the government's GB Energy supports jobs and industries here in the UK rather than being lost overseas.

"We have already seen decades of missed opportunities on this, leaving communities hollowed out and people forced out of work. This government must act fast to turn the corner and put Britain first in the race towards the economy of the future."

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Nine years since the UK voted by a narrow margin to leave the EU: we need to begin the process of returning, say

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On the ninth anniversary of the Brexit referendum, Ellie Chowns MP, Green Party spokesperson on foreign affairs, said:

"Today marks nine years since the UK voted to leave the EU, a decision for which the costs have been painfully real for families, businesses and our planet. Over nearly a decade we have seen our economy shrink, exporters lose vital markets, and barriers impede the cultural collaborations we once took for granted. Meanwhile young people face restricted opportunities to live, learn, and work across Europe, and our climate ambitions are weakened by being out of step with our closest neighbours.

"As Greens, we believe the best way to restore prosperity, protect the environment, and strengthen security is to rebuild the partnership we walked away from. Rejoining the EU would mean frictionless trade for British manufacturers and farmers, renewed freedom of movement for students and young workers, and deeper cooperation on climate, defence, and innovation. Poll after poll shows a majority of Britons recognise that Brexit was a mistake; the question now is when, not if, we begin the process of returning to the fold.

"On this anniversary, I call on the government to show the courage to initiate talks on what re-entry to the EU would involve—recognising that the world has changed, but our mutual interests remain vital. Britain's future belongs in Europe: let this day be a reminder that our greatest hope lies in cooperation, not isolation."

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<u>Green Party respond to US strikes on</u> <u>Iran</u>

22 June 2025 / 22 June 2025 by Green Party

Responding to news of US attacks on Iran's nuclear facilities, Green Party co-leader Adrian Ramsay MP said:

"We utterly condemn the reckless attacks on Iran by the United States that can only lead to further dangerous conflict in an already volatile region.

There is no international legal basis for this unilateral action that poses a serious threat to international peace and security.

"Our prime minister has shamefully decided to echo the rhetoric of Trump and Netanyahu rather than condemn the indefensible aggression of both Israel and the US. Keir Starmer has further implied that it is justifiable for the Iranian regime to be bombed back to the negotiating table. I fully recognise the brutal nature of the Iranian regime but this unilateral action is no way to build peace and risks making the UK once again complicit in escalating a Middle East crisis."

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<u>Labour government not just complicit – they are active participants in genocide, says Polanski</u>

21 June 2025 / 21 June 2025 by Green Party

Deputy leader of the Green Party, Zack Polanski, spoke at today's <u>National</u> <u>March for Palestine in London</u> attended by tens of thousands of people.

Polanski said:

"Today, tens of thousands of people marched through the streets of our capital with one clear message: the Genocide in Gaza must stop — now. I was proud to stand alongside so many others who refuse to look away from the horror and injustice unfolding before our eyes."

"We have to be clear and say this loud — our government is not just complicit but active participants. Entire neighbourhoods reduced to rubble. Hospitals targeted. Children buried beneath collapsed buildings

"The many thousands on the street today were clear: this is not self-defence, this is collective punishment. The UK must immediately end arms sales to Israel, support an urgent and permanent ceasefire, and back a full international investigation into war crimes and crimes against humanity."

"The people of Gaza need more than our solidarity — they need action. That's why I marched today, and why Greens across the country will continue to speak out until justice, safety, and freedom are secured for all Palestinians and Israelis alike."

"We cannot allow political cowardice to stand in the way of human rights. The

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<u>Green Party MPs Back Terminally Ill</u> <u>Adults (End of Life) Bill</u>

20 June 2025 / 20 June 2025 by Dominic Johnson

Today Green MPs backed the continued passage of the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill in the House of Commons. All four Green MPs voted yes at the Bill's third reading.

Although broad support for assisted dying is Green Party policy, on this issue of conscience there was no party line and every MP voted according to their own personal deliberations.

Every Green MP worked hard to hear from and understand people with different views on this sensitive issue. This included: meeting both supporters and opponents including constituents directly affected by terminal illness at their MP surgeries, sitting down with local faith leaders, support services and Disabled people's groups, taking part in briefings and information sessions with medical professionals both for and against the Bill, carefully considering the scores of amendments that were added to the law, and replying to the many hundreds of emails and letters from constituents writing in with questions, personal views and experiences.

Every MP took this decision they made with the utmost seriousness. Green MPs are fully committed to making sure this new policy proceeds with the utmost care and safety in mind and will also continue to use their voices in Parliament to press for vital improvements to the availability of palliative care.

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