

Green Party will place Carbon Chancellor in 11 Downing Street to put climate at the heart of government



13 November 2019

The Green Party will appoint a Carbon Chancellor to 11 Downing Street to ensure the climate emergency is placed at the heart of government, under plans to be unveiled today.

The Greens will announce their ground-breaking plans outside the Treasury, where they will set out the urgent need for a radical change in how central government works to prioritise environmental and social well-being over the single-minded focus on Gross Domestic Product.

The Carbon Chancellor will head up a new Department for the Green New Deal, will allocate the £100 billion a year Green New Deal Fund and issue an annual carbon budget to direct the decarbonisation of the economy.

The Treasury will become a new Department for Economic Transformation working alongside the new Department for the Green New Deal.

Jonathan Bartley, co-leader of the Green Party, will launch the policy today outside the Treasury.

He said:

“Every sector of the economy needs to decarbonise if we are to become carbon neutral by 2030. Only the Green Party has the bold vision and practical solutions to make our economic system work for the people and the planet. A Carbon Chancellor in 11 Downing Street will mean the Prime Minister can’t even walk out of the front door without thinking about the climate emergency.

“We need to fundamentally change the way Government works if we are going to have any hope of tackling the Climate Emergency. Making the Treasury a Department for Economic Transformation and creating a new Department for the Green New Deal will put responsibility for the climate emergency at the heart of government.”

Green Party will place Carbon Chancellor in 11 Downing Street to put climate at the heart of government

· **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**

· **Co-leader Jonathan Bartley: “A Carbon Chancellor in 11 Downing Street will mean the Prime Minister can’t even walk out of the front door without thinking about the climate emergency”**

The Green Party will appoint a Carbon Chancellor to 11 Downing Street to ensure the climate emergency is placed at the heart of government, under plans to be unveiled today [Wednesday 13 November].

The Greens will announce their ground-breaking plans outside the Treasury, where they will set out the urgent need for a radical change in how central government works to prioritise environmental and social well-being over the single-minded focus on Gross Domestic Product.

The Carbon Chancellor will head up a new Department for the Green New Deal, will allocate the £100 billion a year Green New Deal Fund [1] and issue an annual carbon budget to direct the decarbonisation of the economy.

The Treasury will become a new Department for Economic Transformation working alongside the new Department for the Green New Deal.

Jonathan Bartley, co-leader of the Green Party, will launch the policy today outside the Treasury.

He said:

“Every sector of the economy needs to decarbonise if we are to become carbon neutral by 2030. Only the Green Party has the bold vision and practical solutions to make our economic system work for the people and the planet. A Carbon Chancellor in 11 Downing Street will mean the Prime Minister can’t even walk out of the front door without thinking about the climate emergency.

“We need to fundamentally change the way Government works if we are going to have any hope of tackling the Climate Emergency. Making the Treasury a Department for Economic Transformation and creating a new Department for the Green New Deal will put responsibility for the climate emergency at the heart of government.”

[Tweet](#)

[Back to main news page](#)

[Let’s block ads! \(Why?\)](#)

[Green Party reaches agreement on uniting Remain vote to avoid](#)

disastrous Brexit



7 November 2019

The Green Party has come to an arrangement with Plaid Cymru and the Liberal Democrats to field one candidate from a Remain party in selected seats in England and Wales for the upcoming election.

Liberal Democrat or Plaid Cymru candidates will step aside for the Greens in 10 seats.

Co-Leader of the Green Party Jonathan Bartley said: "This is about recognising how damaging Brexit would be – for people and for the environment – and ensuring there is as much representation of Remain parties in the next Parliament as possible.

"Our country is at a crossroads and this election must be the point at which we start to move in a better direction. Everyone knows the Greens are the least tribal of any party and we are always willing to work with others for what's in the best interests of the country."

Agreements have been reached through discussion with local parties.

Sian Berry, Green Party Co-Leader said: "The crash-out Brexit the Tories are pushing for would be a disaster for people up and down England and Wales – and for action on climate chaos.

"Yes, as political parties we have differences, but what we've agreed is that on the climate, on stopping Brexit, saving local services and fixing the voting system, we must work together now so we can work together in the new parliament to make these things happen."

The Green Party supports a People's Vote to decide the future of Britain in the EU and will campaign to Remain.

60 seats are involved in the arrangement overall.

The Green Party will field candidates in Brighton Pavilion, Isle of Wight, Bristol West, Bury St Edmunds, Stroud, Dulwich and West Norwood, Exeter, Forest of Dean, Cannock Chase

A full list of the seats involved in the UTR arrangements can be found below

GREEN PARTY WALES SEAT:

Vale of Glamorgan

GREEN PARTY ENGLAND SEATS:

Brighton Pavilion (Held)

Isle of Wight

Bury St Edmunds

Bristol West

Stroud

Dulwich & West Norwood

Cannock Chase

Exeter

Forest of Dean

PLAID CYMRU SEATS:

Arfon (Held)

Dwyfor Meirionnydd (Held)

Carmarthen East and Dinefwr (Held)

Ynys Mon

Pontypridd

Caerphilly

Llanelli

LIB DEM WALES SEATS:

Brecon & Radnorshire (Held)

Cardiff Central

Montgomeryshire

LIB DEM ENGLAND SEATS:

Bath (Held)

North Norfolk (Held)

Oxford West & Abingdon (Held)

South Cambridgeshire (Held)

Totnes (Held)

Twickenham (Held)

Westmorland & Lonsdale (Held)

Bermondsey & Old Southwark

Buckingham

Cheadle

Chelmsford

Chelsea & Fulham

Cheltenham

Chippenham

Esher & Walton

Finchley & Golders Green

Guildford

Harrogate

Hazel Grove

Hitchin & Harpenden

North Cornwall

Penistone & Stocksbridge

Portsmouth South

Richmond Park

Romsey & Southampton North

Rushcliffe

South East Cambridgeshire

South West Surrey

Southport

Taunton Deane

Thornbury & Yate

Tunbridge Wells

Wantage

Warrington South

Watford

Wells

Wimbledon

Winchester

Witney

York Outer

[Tweet](#)

[Back to main news page](#)

[Let's block ads! \(Why?\)](#)

[Green Party brands this “the climate election” as they launch campaign in Bristol](#)



6 November 2019

- Green Party pledges to invest £100bn in climate action a year for the next decade
- Party sets out ambition to make Britain carbon neutral by 2030
- Co-leader Sian Berry: “Some things are even bigger than Brexit. This must be the climate election”

The Green Party today [6 November] pledged to invest £100 billion in climate action each year for a decade as it announces the most ambitious Green New Deal of any political party at its campaign launch [1] in Bristol.

The Greens set out their ambitions to make Britain fossil free by 2030 with the biggest public investment in decades in order to protect the future of our planet [2].

Sian Berry, Co-Leader of the Green Party, urged voters to make 12 December the “climate election” and ensure it goes down in history as the turning point in the fight for climate justice.

Deputy leader Amelia Womack set out the Green’s plan to get to carbon neutrality by 2030 by building 100,000 energy-efficient homes each year, revolutionising transport infrastructure, rapidly rolling out renewable

energy in Britain and creating hundreds of thousands of low carbon jobs.

The launch took place in Bristol West, one of the Green Party's key target seats as it looks to build on the two best ever election results in Green Party history [3].

Carla Denyer, the Green's candidate for Bristol West, also spoke at the launch. Denyer, currently a councillor on Bristol City Council, proposed the first Climate Emergency motion in the UK in November 2018 [4].

Berry said:

"Let's be honest about the situation we're in. We know these are dark times. It's easy to fear the future.

"The threat of Brexit hangs over our heads, the climate emergency rages from the Amazon to the Arctic, and our fragile democracy is under attack.

"But despite all this, Greens don't fear the future. We welcome the future. Because we know that we stand at the threshold of what could be the most exciting and prosperous period of British history."

Womack said:

"This could be our last chance to elect a Parliament to keep us below dangerous warming.

"The climate doesn't care about promises. The environment doesn't care about pledges.

[Tweet](#)

[Back to main news page](#)

[Let's block ads! \(Why?\)](#)

[The Time is Now to Vote Green](#)



29 October 2019

A vote for the Green Party is a vote for urgent action on climate chaos, a vote for a fairer Britain and a call for a final say on Europe with a People's Vote.

We need a fairer society and a liveable planet. That can only happen through

bold action to cut carbon emissions and protect the environment. This action starts at the ballot box.

This year the Green Party won record gains in council elections, grew its presence in Parliament and went over 50,000 members. We got two million votes in the European elections. That's two million demands to tackle the climate emergency.

Our climate action is unparalleled. Caroline Lucas MP co-founded the Green New Deal. This empowers communities to be sustainable, supplying investment to achieve net zero carbon by 2030, creating jobs and homes and vastly improved public transport. Meanwhile, Parliamentary Candidate Carla Denyer first put forward the idea of a local area declaring a climate emergency, a call joined by over 270 local authorities to date.

Green Party Co-leader Sian Berry says: "Our record shows we are the only party that can be trusted to fulfil its promise on tackling the climate crisis, bringing carbon emissions down to net zero by 2030, decarbonising the economy with massive investment in green energy, clean technology and public transport."

Global challenges need a revitalised Britain. We'll address the underlying causes of Brexit; the division, the inequality, the spiralling bills and food banks. The only fair way to solve Brexit is a People's Vote.

Green Party Co-leader Jonathan Bartley says: "We are the only party to be Remain from the start. Brexit means fewer protections for the environment, ends freedom of movement and tears up worker's rights. We want a People's Vote to decide our relationship with Europe based on what we know today, not what we were told three years ago.

"A vote for the Green Party is the most powerful vote you can cast. And every Green vote sends the message that we must push to remain in the European Union, do whatever it takes to tackle the climate emergency and radically transform the way we live and work for the better.

"With the growing awareness of the climate emergency the stakes in this election could not be higher. Every vote for the Green Party is a vote which says business as usual is no longer an option. The situation is urgent and the change we need to see must happen right now."

This country needs Green leadership like never before. Where Greens lead, others follow.

The time is now for a People's Vote. The time is now for a fairer Britain, for a society that works for everyone. The time is now to tackle climate chaos.

Vote Green on the 12th of December. If not now, then when?

[Tweet](#)

[Back to main news page](#)

[Let's block ads! \(Why?\)](#)

[Green Party statement on the passing of the Letwin Amendment](#)



19 October 2019

The Green Party have today reacted to the passage of the Letwin Amendment in the House of Commons.

We say:

“Boris Johnson has been stopped today from securing his destructive deal in the House of Commons.

Had it passed it would have paved the way for the legitimisation of everything we stand against in the Green Party. It would have facilitated the continued devastation of the environment, the chipping away at workers' rights and the potential reignition of tensions in Northern Ireland.

Boris Johnson must now write a letter to the EU seeking an extension to the Brexit deadline beyond 31 October.

He must respect the widely held desire – as is being made clear by the hundreds of thousands of people protesting on the streets of central London today – to take any further deal to a People's Vote. He must let the citizens of the UK decide on the facts of today, not three years ago, what they want the future of their country to look like.”

[Tweet](#)

[Back to main news page](#)

[Let's block ads! \(Why?\)](#)