

“Expanding Heathrow in the face of a climate emergency is the definition of irresponsible.” say Greens

Responding to the [news that Rachel Reeves is backing the expansion of Heathrow Airport](#), Green Party MP, Sian Berry MP said,

“The Chancellor talked about the ‘costs of irresponsibility’ but expanding Heathrow in the face of a climate emergency is the definition of irresponsible.”

“Worst still, we’re also expecting formal planning decisions from ministers on Gatwick and Luton airport expansion, which the Chancellor pre-empted today. Giving these permissions in the month before vital new advice is expected from the Climate Change Committee, today’s speech is nothing short of reckless.

“The carbon cost of expanding Heathrow, Luton, and Gatwick together will cancel out the benefits of Labour’s keystone clean energy plan, making Net Zero minister Ed Miliband’s task almost impossible.

“The Chancellor’s stated goal is ‘raising living standards in every part of the UK’ but more and bigger airports will serve only the very richest aviation bosses and the most frequent flyers whose wealth doesn’t help people’s daily lives get better.

“Tackling inequality and building a greener future should go hand in hand. That must mean investment in warmer homes, green energy and the local transport people use every day, not these bleak proposals.”

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Ed Davey marks Holocaust Memorial Day 2025

As we commemorate 80 years since Britain and her allies defeated the Nazis and ended the Holocaust, we must never forget those appalling atrocities. We must never forget how six million Jews were murdered by the Nazis – how so much inhumanity was inflicted on humans by humans.

We must remember so that we try harder to stop it happening again – as it has

so tragically in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and elsewhere.

To do this, we must be vigilant in our opposition to hatred, discrimination and oppression, and vigilant in defence of peace, human rights and compassion.

That includes combating antisemitism in all its forms – which has sadly been on the rise across our country since the horrific terror attacks on October 7th 2023.

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A few months ago, we marked with great sorrow the passing of Lily Ebert, who was deported to Auschwitz when she was 20. She was truly inspirational – giving hope to so many after enduring such unspeakable horror.

Lily wrote about a banknote, given to her by an American soldier after the liberation. He'd written on it "A start to a new life. Good luck and happiness".

She wrote "This was something I knew I'd keep forever, a reminder, after all the cruelty we'd endured, that people could be compassionate. There was some hope and humanity left in the world."

We must remember that too, and live up to the positive vision Lily could see, even after so much darkness.

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Multi Agency partners continue to deal with aftermath of Storm Éowyn

Multi Agency partners are continuing to deal with the aftermath of Storm Éowyn which caused widespread damage and disruption to critical infrastructure across the north.