

# World moving in cleaner, greener, healthier direction say Greens on renewables announcement, but Tories 'plotting' to drag country backwards

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The Green Party has welcomed the news that [renewable energy overtook coal as the world's leading source of electricity last year](#) but slammed the Conservatives for 'plotting' to 'drag the country back into the dark and dirty fossil fuel era.'

Green MP, Carla Denyer, said:

"The news that renewable energy overtook coal as the world's leading source of electricity last year shows our world is moving in a cleaner, greener, healthier direction. Ultimately, this move towards renewables will lower energy bills too, as wind and solar are now the cheapest way to generate electricity.

"As the world moves forwards and embraces the positive benefits of renewable energy, the Tories are plotting how they can block both people and the planet benefitting from this transition. A series of policy announcements on abolishing the Climate Change Act, scraping subsidies to help boost clean energy and [a drive to "maximise extraction" of North Sea oil and gas](#) aim to drag us back into the dark and dirty fossil fuel era, where the only beneficiaries will be the fossil fuel industry itself."

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