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Party**

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WHAT MATTERS**

# OUR GREEN GUARANTEE

## OUR TEN KEY PLEDGES

AN ECONOMY FOR EVERYONE / PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT  
/ MEMBERSHIP OF THE EU / A TRULY PUBLIC NHS / EDUCATION FOR ALL  
/ OUR PROMISE TO YOUNG PEOPLE / SAFE, SECURE AND AFFORDABLE HOMES  
/ A SAFER WORLD / A CITIZEN'S DEMOCRACY  
/ A PEOPLE'S TRANSPORT SYSTEM

# AN ECONOMY FOR EVERYONE

We will create thousands of secure jobs by rebuilding public services. Our plans for a network of community banks will ensure wealth makes it into our communities rather than piling up in corporate bank accounts.

We will end the scandal of working poverty by phasing in a 4-day working week, abolishing exploitative zero hours contracts, upholding trade union rights, and ensuring that everyone is paid a living wage.

We will take steps towards the introduction of a universal basic income, including a government sponsored pilot scheme, as a means to increase security for all and reduce the poverty trap. And we will promote credit unions to free people from unjust and burdensome debt.



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# PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT



We will prioritise urgent measures to tackle climate change, replacing fracking, coal power and subsidies to fossil fuels, with investment in jobs rich renewable energy technology. We will invest in warm homes for all, with a nationwide insulation programme, and in a Green Industrial Strategy to build resilient national and local economies.

A new Environmental Protection Act will safeguard and enhance everybody's right to a safe environment as currently guaranteed through our membership of the EU.

We will introduce a new Clean Air act, expanding the mandatory clean air zone network and protect the Green Belt, National Parks, SSSIs and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

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# MEMBERSHIP OF THE EU

We demand the people's democratic right to vote on whatever deal is negotiated for Britain's departure from the EU. This should be provided through a ratification referendum that includes an option to reject the deal and remain in the EU.

We will fight for the Brexit deal to include retention of freedom of movement, including the rights of EU citizens to remain in the UK and for young people to study, work, live and travel in the EU through schemes such as Erasmus, and for the preservation of environmental protections and the principles and regulations which protect human health, animal welfare and workers' rights.



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# A TRULY PUBLIC NHS

We will introduce an NHS Reinstatement Act to roll back privatisation so that all health and dental services are always publicly owned and provided free at the point of access.

We will close the NHS spending gap to ensure that everyone can access a GP, hospitals can reduce waiting times, and spending on mental health care is brought in line with spending on physical well-being.

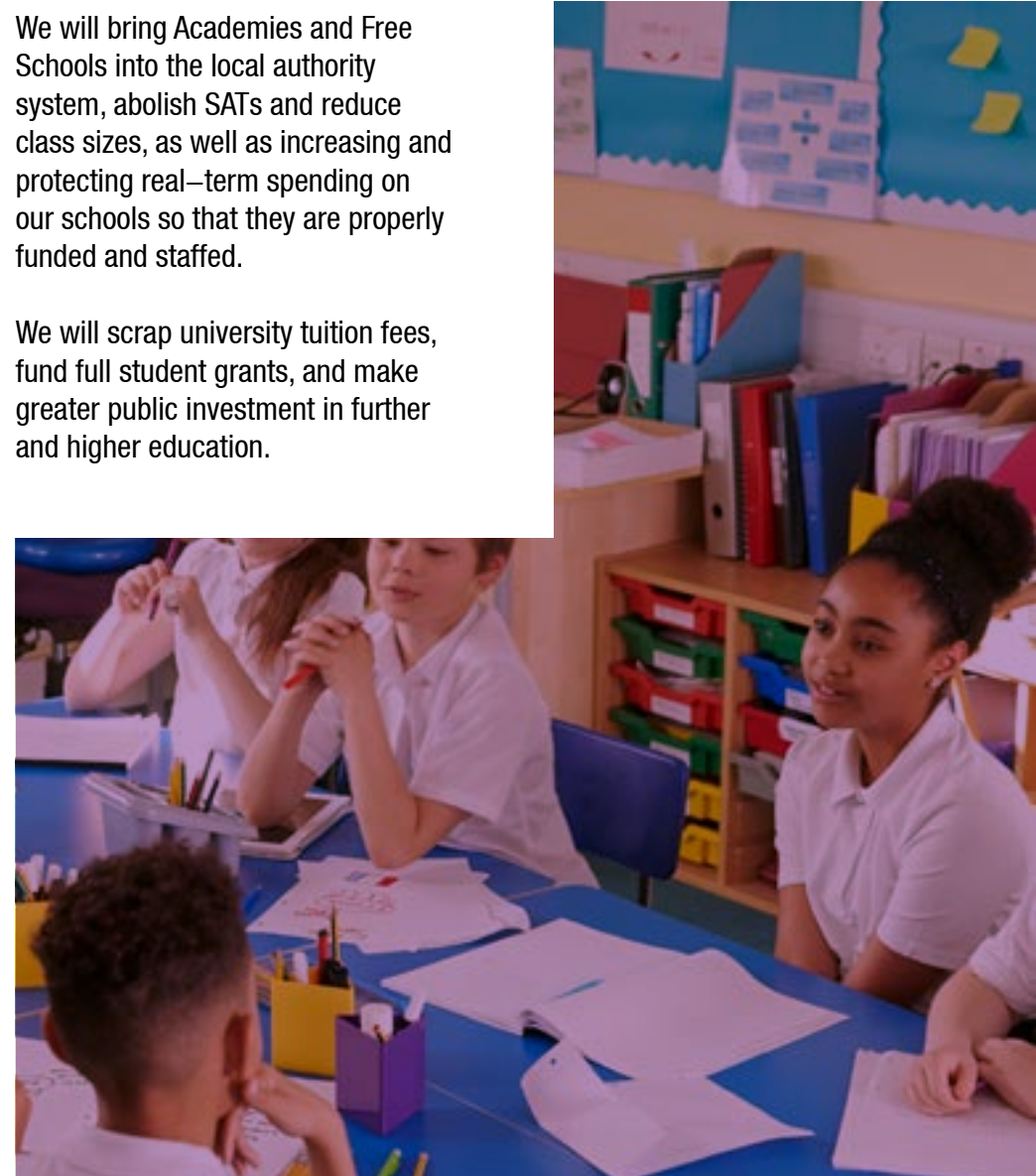


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# EDUCATION FOR ALL

We will bring Academies and Free Schools into the local authority system, abolish SATs and reduce class sizes, as well as increasing and protecting real-term spending on our schools so that they are properly funded and staffed.

We will scrap university tuition fees, fund full student grants, and make greater public investment in further and higher education.



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# OUR PROMISE TO YOUNG PEOPLE



We will invest in opportunities for young people, starting with a guarantee of their right to study, work, live and travel in the EU. We want every young person to be able to access higher and further education without the burden of debt, and would scrap tuition fees and restore living grants. And we would restore the Education Maintenance Grant and guarantee access to apprenticeships for qualified 16–25 year olds.

We would scrap age-related wage bands and raise the national minimum wage level to living wage levels for all.

Young people need a voice and we will give them one, by lowering the voting age to 16 and introducing political and active citizenship education for all young people.

We aim to bring in free local public transport for all young people and students.

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# SAFE, SECURE AND AFFORDABLE HOMES

We will introduce a living rent for all through rent controls, provide more secure tenancies for private renters, and introduce mandatory licensing for all landlords.

We will launch a major programme to build affordable homes including half a million new socially rented homes over five years and start action to bring empty homes back into use.

We will reinstate housing benefits for the under 21s and bring an end to the cruel and unfair Bedroom tax.



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# A SAFER WORLD

We will cancel the replacement of the Trident nuclear weapons system saving at least £100 billion over the next 30 years.

We will pursue an ethical foreign policy, and a humane and compassionate immigration and asylum system that takes responsibility for Britain's role in causing the flow of refugees worldwide.



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# A CITIZENS' DEMOCRACY

We will work to make Britain truly democratic by introducing proportional representation for parliamentary elections, extending votes to 16 year olds, reforming the House of Lords as an elected second chamber, and empowering local communities to recall their MP.

We will tighten the rules on media ownership so no individual or company owns more than 20% of a media market, protecting against anyone having too much influence or undermining democracy. We will work to create a more equal society. We will grant mixed gender couples the right to civil partnerships and make LGBTIQA+ refugees welcome. We will introduce job sharing for MPs to increase disabled representation in particular, close the gender pay gap and work towards a 50/50 Parliament. We will reform stop and search and Prevent and replace with policing that promotes community cohesion.



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# A PEOPLE'S TRANSPORT SYSTEM



We will return the railways to public ownership, and invest in regional rail links, especially in the South West and North of England, rather than wasting money on HS2 and the national major roads programme.

We will tackle the impact of transport on climate change and public health by cancelling airport expansions and ending airline fuel subsidies, and increasing incentives to take diesel vehicles off the roads. We will invest in affordable, reliable and publicly run bus services, in better walking and cycling routes, and facilities such as cycle parking and on street secure cycle storage in residential areas. We will aim to make local public transport free for young people, students and people with disabilities.





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