

AN EXAMPLE OF OUR

# YOUTH & EDUCATION

POLICIES

## Children's Centres & Childcare

- Restore & enhance Children's Centres funding & services - its an investment as it saves money in other areas of society.
- Provided by fully-qualified staff and designed to meet the needs of our communities.

## A School Journey - fit for a child

- Increase School Funding - in real terms to ensure low class sizes and plenty of support to enhance the learning outcomes of your child.
- Ending the "Exam Factory" education model.
- Counselling & Mentoring provided to pupils.
- OFSTED replaced by a supportive organisation to ensure standards are always maintained at the highest level.

## Apprenticeships & Higher/University Education

- Abolishing Fees - ending the "front-loading" of debts onto young adults.
- Maintenance grants restored.
- Free public transport passes.
- Expanding Apprenticeships.

## Affordable Housing

- Good quality, reasonable rent and with low energy bills for when our young adults leave home.

## A REAL Living Wage of £10/hr by 2020

- Starting on a wage that our young can live on, save and can be financially secure.

### PAYING FOR OUR COMMITMENTS:

- ROBIN HOOD TAX - A FINANCIAL TRANSACTION TAX USED IN EUROPE
- ENVIRONMENTAL TAXES - TO AID CUTTING POLLUTION & TACKLING GLOBAL WARMING
- ENDING THE TAX-DODGING 'NON-DOMICILED RESIDENTS' RULE
- TOP RATE OF INCOME INCREASED FROM 45% TO 60% - FOR SALARIES BEYOND £150,000

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# ENVIRONMENT

POLICIES

## Air Pollution

- A bold and realistic plan to end air pollution that is prematurely killing around 40,000 people every single year.
- Low air pollution plans around schools to protect our children.
- Air Pollution also makes other health conditions worse than they would be. Altogether this costs the Economy & the NHS TENS of BILLIONS of Pounds.

## Housing

- Existing housing to be fully insulated and fitted with energy-efficiency and renewable devices by local energy cooperatives. Saving people hundreds of pounds on their energy bills.
- This would pay itself off by creating jobs in the local economy and result in increased tax income.

## Support for local, organic food

- Provide support to the farming sector, so they can transition to more organic farming practices; as well as help them to further develop local markets.

## A million green jobs

- We need massive help to transform our society to reduce energy; change to an 'electricity-based society' and power it from local, clean and renewable energy.
- Other jobs in reforestation, recycling, climate change adaption as well as research & development... and many, many more.

## Open Spaces

- Every person should have access to green open spaces to aid exercise and support a stress-free well-being.

## Protect our Environment & increase biodiversity

### PAYING FOR OUR COMMITMENTS:

- MULTI-NATIONALS PAYING CORPORATION TAX ON UK-GENERATED PROFITS
- END CORPORATIONS "PROFIT-SHIFTING" ABROAD TO AVOID TAX IN THE UK
- REFORM 'INHERITANCE TAX' & ABOLISH THE 'SEVEN YEAR RULE'
- REDUCED ENERGY BILLS MEANS MORE SPENDING IN LOCAL ECONOMY - MORE JOBS & TAX

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# NHS & HEALTH

POLICIES

## Our Plan for the NHS

- We support the NHS Reinstatement Bill ([www.nhsbill2015.org](http://www.nhsbill2015.org)).
- Return the NHS to being publicly owned, run and financed.
- End the privatisation of the NHS.
- Give our public sector workers, such as our nurses and other NHS workers, a real terms wage increase to reflect their hard work.
- Increase the numbers of nurses, doctors and specialists.
- Restore NHS Services that have been closed, where they are needed by the local community.
- REVERSE the devastating underfunding & under-resourcing brought in by the Conservative Government.
- Give the NHS a "cash injection" and work with NHS professionals to find real savings, such as direct physiotherapy appointments, rather than going through a GP.

## Social Care

- Fully integrate with the NHS.
- Sufficient time with patients.

## Mental Health

- Develop a society that reduces mental health issues occurring.
- Provide sufficient support, resources, training & funding.

## A Citizens Income (aka Basic or universal income)

- Where every adult & child receives a fixed income regardless of status—many advantages including reducing stress in society.

## A 4-day working week

- It's an idea the Greens are going to investigate, so they can weigh the many advantages against the implications.

### PAYING FOR OUR COMMITMENTS:

- REVERSE CUTS TO CAPITAL GAINS WHICH MOSTLY BENEFITS THE RICHEST
- WEALTH TAX ON THE RICHEST 1% OF THE POPULATION
- SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE TAX DODGING WITH A PROPERLY RESOURCED HMRC
- ENDING "WHITE ELEPHANT" PROJECTS, SUCH AS HS2, TRIDENT AND HINKLEY NUCLEAR PLANT

# WE STAND FOR THIS GENERATION AND THE NEXT

...but we need your help to create a fair & sustainable world

Vote  
**Green Party**  
for the common good



MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT ON JUNE 8<sup>TH</sup>



## INTRODUCING OUR GREEN PARTY CANDIDATE

# FAY WHITFIELD



Fay Whitfield is a strong supporter of the Green Party's policies and values and is now on a mission to spread the green message.

Fay is standing up for basic rights and services, because she believes that your economic status shouldn't decide the opportunities available to you. These include a fully public NHS with proper resources, putting teachers back in control of the curriculum, real-terms increases in school funding; affordable public transport and improvements to our democracy.

Fay said, "I want to use this opportunity to show people how our ideas and policies will create a fairer and more sustainable future. We will be fighting for this and the next generation, but need your help."

Please visit our website to learn about what we are fighting for.



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# A BETTER DEMOCRACY

POLICIES

## House of Lords Reform

- The Green Party has one member, Jenny Jones, in the House of Lords... and she is fighting to abolish herself! She is fighting to scrap the current system and replace it with a democratically-elected second chamber, which would use proportional representation. This is because the Greens fight for what they believe in; from a position of principle.

## Proportional Representation

- We believe that every vote should count!
- There should be no such thing as a "safe seat".
- Politicians should have to fight for every vote.
- PLEASE NOTE: The 2011 referendum was on the 'Alternative Vote' system, which is NOT Proportional Representation.

## Votes for 16 & 17 year olds

- We believe that our young adults should have a say in their future and about their country. It seems only fair when they can join the armed forces, get married and pay taxes.

## End the Revolving Doors in Government

- We would end the dodgy appointments that allow individuals to profit from their public roles by moving to the private industry with valuable information.

## Political donations overhaul & full transparency

- We would end the use of "unincorporated associations" which allow large and unaccountable political party donations to be made without scrutiny.
- The Greens don't accept money from tax-dodgers and pro-fracking unions. We survive on members fees & donations.

## PAYING FOR OUR COMMITMENTS:

- REDUCTION OF TAX RELIEF ON PENSIONS - A LIVING PENSION INSTEAD FOR ALL
- ABOLITION OF MORTGAGE INTEREST RELIEF FOR LANDLORDS
- INCREASED TAX REVENUES FROM GREATER EMPLOYMENT & PAYING A LIVING WAGE
- SAVINGS FROM NATIONALISING THE RAILWAYS