



YOUR GREEN PARTY CANDIDATE

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CHRISTCHURCH

I'm honoured and delighted to have been chosen as the Green Party candidate for Christchurch, where I live with my four children.

Originally a florist, I made career changes to complement raising my family and I have worked within the NHS and local higher education laboratories whilst retraining as a hypnotherapist and studying psychology.

However, it's not my work experience that I wish to bring to politics, but life experience, along with my natural ability to listen and empathise.

The Christchurch constituency is a lovely area to live in. We are fortunate in so many ways. Yet, the current political climate of austerity is making life very hard for many us; our friends, family or neighbours - paying the price for banking and political failures.

The continual fear, hate and divisive messages that are being thrown at us from all directions are a dangerous and grossly misdirected path.

Since joining The Greens last year, I have been continually inspired by what can be achieved by people pulling together. Christchurch Green Party didn't even exist six months ago and everything you see before you today - this leaflet, a Green candidate, to name a few - has only been possible thanks to local people pulling together and contributing what they can for the greater common good.

It is my aim, with ethical political foundations, to utilise this strength and bring the citizens of Christchurch together, to build a better, fairer more resilient and sustainable future, whilst passionately supporting all of us.

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Imagine a political system that puts the public first. Imagine an economy that gives everyone their fair share. Imagine a society capable of supporting everyone's needs. Imagine a planet protected from the threat of climate change now and for the generations to come.

That's the future we want to create and we believe we have the means to do it. Green Party membership is soaring and more and more people are recognising that the politics of the future doesn't have to look like the politics of the past.

Vote Green and you can help us build a society that works for the Common Good."

NATALIE BENNETT, GREEN PARTY LEADER



CAROLINE LUCAS MP
BRIGHTON PAVILION

NATALIE BENNETT
GREEN PARTY LEADER



VOTE FOR WHAT YOU BELIEVE IN



#PUBLICNHS

WE WILL:

- ✓ Fight for a publicly funded, publicly provided health service free at the point of use.
- ✓ End the creeping privatisation of the NHS and repeal the Health and Social Care Act 2012.
- ✓ Make mental health a much higher priority with resources to match this status.



#FAIRECONOMY

WE WILL:

- ✓ End austerity and restore the public sector, creating over one million good jobs that pay at least a living wage.
- ✓ Pay for this with a new wealth tax on the top 1%, a Robin Hood Tax on the banks and the closure of tax loopholes.
- ✓ Increase the minimum wage to reach a living wage of £10 an hour by 2020.



#DECENTHOMES

WE WILL:

- ✓ Abolish the cruel and unfair bedroom tax.
- ✓ Build 500,000 social rented homes by 2020 and bring empty homes back into use to ensure everyone has access to an affordable place to live.
- ✓ Cap rent and introduce longer tenancies to provide greater protection for renters.



#SAFECLIMATE

WE WILL:

- ✓ Take serious action on climate change by working with other countries to ensure global temperatures do not rise beyond 2 degrees.
- ✓ Phase out fossil-fuel based energy generation and nuclear power.
- ✓ Invest in a public programme of renewable generation, flood defences and building insulation.



#FREEEDUCATION

WE WILL:

- ✓ Scrap university tuition fees.
- ✓ Promote a comprehensive system of local schools offering mixed ability teaching staffed by qualified teachers.
- ✓ Bring Academies and Free Schools into the Local Authority system.



#BETTERTRANSPORT

WE WILL:

- ✓ Return the railways to public hands to stop profits being put before passengers.
- ✓ Introduce an immediate cut in fares of 10% to give passengers a much-needed financial break.
- ✓ Promote walking and cycling to help reduce pollution and improve people's health.