Climate Statement: Jo Smith – Labour

Morning [Eco Action Hub]. Thank you for your patience with this, and for prompting me! I've attached a statement for you to use and look forward to continuing working with you all,

Jo Smith



Labour's Greens proposals

I am excited at the prospect to be part of Labour's Green revolution if elected, transforming our Energy production to renewables by 2030 and accelerating the net zero ambition.

Our Green Prosperity Plan, which will be delivered through our National Wealth Fund, will include investment in the industries of the future with £1 bn to accelerate carbon capture; £500 million to support the manufacture of green energy and £1.5 billion to new giga factories to support the automobile industries transition to EV.

Great British Energy will partner with energy companies, local authorities, and co-operatives to install thousands of clean power projects, through a combination of onshore wind, solar, and hydropower projects including supporting green house building, introducing, as standard, heat pumps and solar panels.

There will be no new coal oil and gas licences and fracking will be banned.

A Labour government will improve access to nature, promote biodiversity and protect our landscapes and wildlife.

At a local level, I am both sad and angry about the state of our rivers and streams. As a paddle boarder and swimmer, I will fight to hold the water companies to account. A Labour government will legislate to ensure water companies comply with environmental standards, with criminal convictions for executives who choose protecting their shareholders' profits over the public, wildlife and our environment.

Many people in our local climate change community know me as I am committed to taking personal steps to reduce my carbon footprint through better insulating my home; increasing my recycling; reducing my waste; walking/cycling more and actively finding ways to reduce the amount I consume.

Jo Smith