



GJA Press Release

The **Greener Jobs Alliance*** is pleased to announce that the Green Party has adopted the statement on a 'Just Transition in the UK'.

Graham Petersen, Secretary of the GJA, stated,

'We greatly welcome the support of the Green Party for this statement. Realising a Just Transition will require not just the commitment of civil society organisations, but high level political support as well.'

Green Party co-leader Caroline Lucas MP said:

'The Green Party has always recognised the urgent need to shift to a fairer society and a sustainable economy.'

Tackling climate change by investing in the renewable energy and green infrastructure our future depends on will create more jobs than the fossil-fueled past it replaces - but we must invest in retraining workers now to allow everyone to make the most of the opportunities ahead.'

The UK should be leading the world on this. Ministers could make a start by committing to a Just Transition.'

The opening paragraph from the Just Transition Statement that was launched this year reads:

'It's time for a Just Transition in the UK, moving to a modern low carbon economy in such a way as to protect workers' livelihoods, create new industries and deliver a fairer society in all regions and devolved nations. The need for action to support the UN's Sustainable Development Goals and Paris Climate Change Agreement to keep global temperature rises to 1.5 degrees, is urgent if we are to avert the environmental and economic costs of climate change.'

Read the full version here: <https://bit.ly/2mUV0yN>

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The Just Transition Statement has been signed by a number of organisations who are committed to the development of a low carbon economy. If your organisation would like to sign up contact Graham Petersen [gjacomsg@gmail.com](mailto:gjacoms@gmail.com)

*The Greener Jobs Alliance (GJA) has been formed as a partnership body inclusive of trade unions, student organisations, campaigning groups and a policy think tank. It campaigns around the issue of jobs and the skills needed to transition to a low-carbon economy. <http://www.greenerjobsalliance.co.uk/>