

Green View

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Jobs Jobs Jobs

The recession will be hard for many of us. Greens say it also offers us a chance to create many new green jobs.



Green Party plans would create jobs in:

- **Insulating properties** including rented homes and public buildings, saving you money on soaring energy bills and reducing council tax.
- **Fitting solar panels** on homes, schools and council buildings saving fuel and electricity.
- **Building** tidal & wave power stations & wind farms to use the UK's **renewable energy** resources (especially here in the East).
- **Reducing packaging and food waste** – saving council tax spent on land fill.
- **Building more affordable housing** – built to the highest standards of energy efficiency and so cheap to run.
- **More public transport** - taking cars off the roads and reducing pollution and costs.
- Many thousands more jobs could be created in **recycling, repairing goods** and in **local food production**.

All measures to **cut your spending** on fuel & reduce the country's carbon footprint to help combat climate chaos.

How would we do this?

OUT - paying large sums of money to multinational banks and to renew our nuclear weapons,

OUT - slow & inefficient planning system - long overdue for an overhaul to make it faster and more responsive to the demands of 2009.

IN - enabling existing agencies such as housing co-ops to build more affordable housing.

IN - increase training in the new skills needed, training people like plumbers and builders in new technologies.

IN - helping to start new local businesses to supply insulation, solar panels etc and supporting local councils to upgrade council housing and public buildings to higher energy standards.

This windy island has 40% of Europe's wind energy potential. Energy from waves and tides could generate 20% of the UK's electricity. So far the UK only has 26,000 green energy jobs. Germany has already reached 250,000. The Green Party believes that the UK needs 250,000 renewable energy jobs now.

Councillor Rupert Read with Councillor Adrian Ramsey, Green Party deputy leader and solar electricity panels in Norwich.



Good housekeeping for our country means investing to save money & the planet.

Vote for the Green Party in County and Euro elections on June 4th



Green Party MEPs in the European Parliament



This June, Rupert Read hopes to join existing Green Party MEPs Caroline Lucas and Jean Lambert in Strasbourg. Caroline and Jean have joined forces with a large group of Greens from other countries and have been successful in developing policies for fighting climate change, for social justice and for fair trade. They are working to stop the building of large supermarkets which drive out smaller local shops, to encourage investment in new techniques to replace the use of animals for testing & experimentation and to develop a sustainable farming policy. Up to 90% of the UK's environmental policies are decided in Brussels.

Jean Lambert MEP
& Caroline Lucas MEP



Councillor Rupert Read is the lead candidate for the Green Party in the Eastern Region. Rupert said 'The Euro elections on June 4th use proportional representation which means every single Green vote counts! It's a brilliant opportunity to get more Greens into positions where they can help sort out the recession. The policies for creating new jobs and sustainable industries are the same policies we need to tackle the climate crisis. If 10% of our region's voters make Green their first or second choice, a Green Party MEP will be elected.'

Councillor Read with an elector in Southend

Also Standing for the Greens in the Eastern region Euro Election:



Peter Lynn
(Colchester)



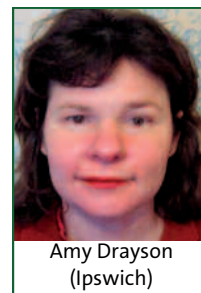
Angela Thomson
(Chelmsford)



Councillor Andrew
Stringer
(Mid-Suffolk)



Councillor James
Abbott (Braintree)



Amy Drayson
(Ipswich)



Marc Scheimann
(Luton)

We need Green voices in government now.

We desperately need new radical policies to tackle our mounting energy and environmental problems. Please donate money or time.

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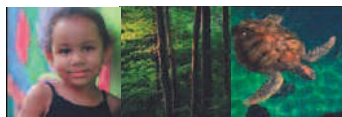
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