

CONCERNING AN IMMEDIATE, MUTUAL CEASEFIRE FOR GAZA AND ISRAEL

Dear Neighbour,

The violence and horror continues to worsen in Gaza. Tens of thousands of Palestinian civilians have been killed, displaced or injured, and key services have been destroyed. Hostages are still being held, and thousands of Palestinians are starving and have nowhere left to go.

Our political leaders could help bring this situation to an end by calling for a mutual, immediate ceasefire. But in October, Labour's Keir Starmer declared that Israel had the right to cut off water and electricity to Gaza. Then in November he ordered Labour MPs to not vote for a ceasefire. This is why many people feel so bitterly let down by Labour.

The people of Lancaster deserve to be represented by a party that will stand up for what is right.

The Green Party's position and stance on Gaza has been clear since the first day of this crisis. We have consistently called for an immediate mutual ceasefire and the unconditional release of hostages. Local Green councillors and members have regularly joined local protests in solidarity with Gaza. Overleaf are examples of the Green Party actions nationally and locally.

Green MPs will push for:

- · an immediate and permanent bilateral ceasefire,
- an immediate halt of all arms sales to Israel,
- · the recognition of the state of Palestine,
- · the investigation and prosecution of war crimes,
- and a political solution that ensures security and equal rights for Israelis and Palestinians.

In this election, only the Green Party is speaking out for Gaza and the Palestinian people.

Please support Jack Lenox with your vote on 4th July.

In solidarity,

Councillor Gina Dowding - Lancaster Central

Councillor Suhir Abuhajar-John O Gaunt



ACTION SPEAKS LOUDER THAN WORDS



The Green Party organised a Palestine Action event in Lancaster, in February raising over £800 for Medical Aid for Palestinians.



Green MP Candidate for Lancaster and Wyre, Jack Lenox, pictured, spoke at the 2024 May Day rally, calling for a ceasefire in Gaza.





Green Councillor Gina Dowding visited the West Bank when she was MEP in 2019, and published a report 'Justice for Palestine' in 2020, available at her website ginadowding.org.uk



Lancaster Green Councillors Sarah McGowan, Tom Fish and Izzy Metcalf-Riener, pictured, support the Palestine Solidarity Encampment at Lancaster University.





In 2014, the Israeli assault on Gaza led the Green Party to support the Palestinian-led Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) movement against Israel.



Green Councillor Suhir Abuhajar, pictured, regularly speaks at the weekly Palestine Solidarity Lancaster rallies, which are supported and attended by Green councillors and members.

