

# Greens respond to Badenoch's "shocking" comments

Responding to the [comments made by the Leader of The Conservative Party, Kemi Badenoch on GBNews](#), Green Party Co-Leader, Carla Denyer MP said,

"These comments are shockingly offensive and irresponsible. Kemi Badenoch is the leader of the opposition – she should know better than to peddle this backwards Islamophobia which only leads to division and hatred in our communities, and drives support for the far right.

Any politician who is serious about tackling sexual abuse and exploitation of girls in this country must put the victims and their needs front and centre – not use the issue as an excuse to push their own agenda and try to make political capital.

I hope to see senior Conservatives distancing themselves from Badenoch's comments this morning – as politicians we all have a responsibility to our communities to stop a dangerous race to the bottom in how we speak about these issues."

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