

# Jenny Jones responds to Government's new air pollution strategy



# Green Party

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Green Party Baroness Jenny Jones, who has put forward a Bill to make clean air a human right, said:

“Air Pollution is a public health emergency responsible for hundred of thousands of premature deaths, but this new government strategy continues the same slow motion progress of the last two decades. As much as I welcome the long term goals of meeting World Health Organisation guidelines, I’m more concerned that we are nine years behind meeting the pollution limits for NO<sub>2</sub> that we set ourselves back in at the turn of the century.

“We need to make clean air a human right, enforceable in the courts with a Citizens’ Commission providing legal support for parents and others to take action against those responsible for bad air. Until we get a new Clean Air Act that has legal teeth, then all these promises by government bodies, local authorities and car companies won’t result in urgent action.”

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