## <u>Reaction to Labour ditching national</u> <u>care service</u>



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Reacting to news that Labour will not seek to legislate on the creation of a new national care service in its first King's Speech [1], Green Party coleader Carla Denyer said:

"Labour are dropping policy commitments like confetti. Next in line it's social care, with the Party planning to ditch a previous pledge to create a new national care service [2]. The Green Party remains committed to putting social care on a level footing with the NHS and ensuring social care is fully publicly funded [3].

"The NHS is based on the principle that need, not wealth, should determine the health care we get. The Green Party backs the same principle for Social Care. Over a million people need help to eat and wash, get residential care when they need it and to lead a full life under their own control. They deserve to have their care paid for in the same way as the NHS."

## Notes

- 1. <u>Labour ditches radical reforms as it prepares 'bombproof' election</u> <u>manifesto | The Guardian</u>
- 2. Labour to aim to launch national care service inspired by creation of <u>NHS | The Guardian</u>
- 3. Green Party pledges free social care for all adults | The Green Party

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