



# Green Party MEPs working on



## Energy and Climate Change

*Green Party MEPs have been challenging policymakers to take climate change seriously and reform their approach to energy policy. For example, Jean Lambert has demanded massive investment in renewable energy and a tough policy on reducing energy demand. She has lobbied national and regional government to establish a carbon-neutral energy efficient economy. Caroline Lucas has challenged the Government's protection of the UK's bankrupt nuclear industry by revealing enormous state subsidies.*

*Right: Jean Lambert at Solar Century's solar panel showroom in London.*



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*Right: Caroline Lucas in the Thames Gateway  
launching her report on how climate change  
will affect her South East constituency.*

*Below: Jean Lambert at Sustainable Energy  
Action stall at Planet Havering.*



## Energy and Climate Change

- Caroline Lucas has published a report on how the effects of climate change – including rising sea levels, droughts, and increases in extreme weather conditions – will affect her constituency and its population.
- The Green Party MEPs have both challenged the UK Government's aviation expansion programme, condemning it for recklessly and deliberately increasing the contribution aeroplane fuel will make to climate change. Aviation is the fastest growing source of greenhouse gases.
- Jean Lambert's conference on energy in London resulted in improvements to the London regional energy strategy.
- Jean Lambert's publication on how EU energy policy will affect her constituency calls for stronger action by the Government and clarity for local authorities.
- Caroline Lucas has demanded that energy efficiency measures form a key part of the UK's and the EU's fight against climate change. 40% of the EU's current energy consumption could be saved through energy efficiency – no other technology can bring such benefits to the consumer, economy and environment.
- Both MEPs have spoken at climate change rallies in London. Jean Lambert has called for a one-stop shop in London to help businesses combat climate change.

## Sustainable Construction

- As a member of the environmental steering group for the Thames Gateway London Partnership, Jean Lambert has called for cutting edge zero-carbon housing in East London.
- Jean Lambert has called on the UK government, regional education authorities and the European Commission to tackle the skills gap in renewable energy and sustainable construction.

## Nuclear Energy and Waste

- Caroline Lucas has provoked a European Commission investigation into the legality of UK government subsidies to nuclear power giant British Energy.
- Caroline Lucas has also initiated an EU investigation into whether the UK government allowed EU nuclear safety laws to be broken when permitting the release of nuclear waste from the Aldermaston nuclear weapons factory and Devonport Dockyards.

