

# **Labour's manifesto 2019**

## **Easy read summary**

**This document tells you what  
we believe in and why we think  
you should vote for us**



# It's time for real change

We are the **Labour Party**.

Our leader is Jeremy Corbyn.



We want to really change Britain so that it works well for all of us. Not just some people like it does now.



This is a summary of our manifesto.

It tells you the main things we believe in and what we will do if we become the next government.



Our website is [www.labour.org.uk](http://www.labour.org.uk) if you want to find out more.



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# 1. Making the economy work for everyone in Britain and for the environment



The economy is about things like money, businesses and buying and selling things.



The environment is the earth we live on, the countryside and the things around us.



The environment is in danger.

The world uses too much petrol, coal, gas and other things that damage the environment.

We need to stop the damage now and save the environment.



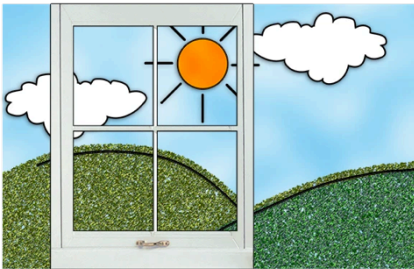
We will start a big plan and new laws to stop damage to the environment.

We want most of the plan to be finished by 2030.



We will:

- Spend a lot of money (£400 billion) to make the economy work better for every part of Britain and the environment



- Make most electricity and much of our heat come from the sun, wind and water by 2030.

This is much better for the environment



- Have more buses and trains across Britain, and more cars and trains that run on electricity



- Work to save the countryside, animals, plants and other things on earth

- Plant many new trees to help the environment



- Start a new law to make the air we breathe cleaner



We will also:



- Help nearly all homes in the UK have better ways to keep warm and save on gas and electricity bills
- Make sure all new homes are built in a good way for the environment



- Stop fracking. This is a bad way to get gas and oil from the earth

We will help our businesses to be the best in the world for the environment.



We will:

- Give money for research and new ideas



- Create good, well paid jobs across the country by working in a better way for the environment.

There will be at least one million new jobs

## 2. Making our public services the best in the world

Public services are things like healthcare, education, the police and transport.

The government has damaged public services and left many people without the care they need.

We will pay for better public services by making tax rules fairer.

We will:

- Ask people who earn over £80,000 a year to pay a bit more tax
- Make sure people and companies pay the tax they owe

We will spend a lot of money (£150 billion) to make important things better.

Like schools, hospitals and care homes.





We want the government to run services like gas, electricity, water and transport, instead of private companies.

This will be better and cheaper for everyone.



There will be:

- Free travel on buses for everyone under 25



- Free broadband for everyone by 2030 so we can all use the internet

## Better healthcare for all



We will fix the problems with the NHS.

We will stop private companies running NHS services so that everyone gets the care they need.

We will spend more money on the NHS every year to:

- Make sure the NHS has enough money, staff and equipment to run well

- Give people better care more quickly for strokes, heart disease and cancer

- Give people free dentist check ups

- Keep the cost of medicines low and stop people in England paying for prescriptions

- Help train more doctors and nurses

- Make hospital parking free

- Give adults and children mental health care when they need it

- Make sure health services work well for all groups of people





# Better care for older people and people who need support

## This is called social care

We will give older people in England much better care.

This includes free care to help people wash, dress and take their medicine.



We will help more people get good care that is paid for by the government.

We will help people with a learning disability and autistic people to:

- Get the right support in their own homes instead of living in hospitals
- Live the way they choose



## Better education and skills



We will make sure that everyone in Britain has a good education and the chance to do well in life.



We will:

- Give free education to everyone all through their lives so they can keep learning new skills.

This includes free university education



- Give all 2, 3 and 4 year old children 30 hours of free education a week before they start at school

- Make sure there are no more than 30 children in a primary school class

- Give new mothers 1 year off work to look after their baby.

And give new fathers 4 weeks off and more money





## A safer country

There is more violent crime but not enough police to deal with it.



We will:

- Get many more police officers in local areas



- Do more to help young people stay away from crime.

For example, by having better support services for young people who need them

We will start better ways to deal with:

- Violence where people have ideas and beliefs that make them want to hurt or kill other people.

For example, people from certain religions and cultures

- Sexual violence and violence at home, in the family or at work



### 3. Stopping people being poor. And making sure everyone is treated fairly

#### Social Security

This is money from the government to help people who need it most.

We want to help people and stop them being poor. Not make their lives worse, like the government is doing now.



We will:

- Stop unfair benefits like Universal Credit and the bedroom tax and change them to something better
- Stop people waiting 5 weeks for their first benefits payment
- Start fairer ways to find out if someone is able to work





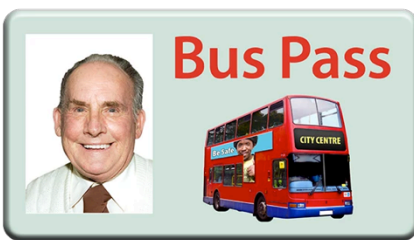
We will give more money to:

- Full time carers
- Some people who get Employment and Support Allowance. They will get £30 more a week



We will make sure that older people get:

- Enough extra money every year for their government pension
- Some money to help pay their gas and electricity bills in winter
- A free TV Licence and bus pass



We will give everyone the right to have food by law.

In the next 3 years we will stop people having to use food banks.

Food banks give people free food if they can't afford their own.

# Work



We will give workers much better rights.

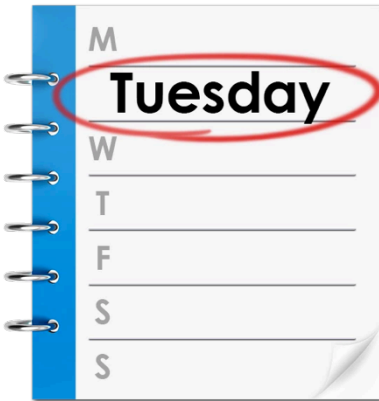
And we will stop low pay and unfair working rules.

For example, we will make sure that:



- All workers over 16 are paid at least £10 an hour

- All groups of people get a fair wage. This includes women and disabled people



- People have the right to change the hours or days they work if they need to.

For example, if they have a disability or care for someone



- More workers have a say in how their companies are run and their pay and working hours

- Disabled people can get the right support to find and keep a job



# Housing



Many people can't afford their own home or to stay in the home they are in.

And more and more people don't have a home at all.

We will:

- Build much more social housing in the next 10 years (over 1 million homes)  
Social housing is cheaper to live in

- Build more homes that are cheaper for people who want to buy their first home

- Stop people having to sleep on the streets within 5 years

We will have better rules to make sure that:

- People don't pay too much rent
- People can rent a home for longer
- All rented homes are good and safe to live in



# Voting and more power for people to have their say

We will:

- Change the law that says a government has to stay in power for 5 years
- Let young people vote at 16
- Make sure everyone who has the right to vote can vote



## 4. Giving people the final say about Brexit

(Britain leaving the European Union)

In 2016 Britain voted to leave the European Union (EU).

The European Union is 28 countries in Europe that work together and buy and sell things to each other.





If we win, we will make a new agreement about how to leave the European Union.

The agreement would make sure that:



- Our jobs, rights and the environment are safe now and in the future
- It is still easy for the UK to buy and sell things in Europe and the world

When we have made the new agreement we will ask people in Britain to choose if they want to:

- Leave the European Union with the agreement we make
- Or stay in the European Union



We will do this in 6 months or less after we win.



People from other countries in the European Union who live in the UK will still have the right to live and work here.

## 5. A better, safer and fairer world

We will:

- Change the law so that the leader of the country has to ask parliament first before going to war.

Parliament makes laws for the country and checks the government's work



- Stop selling weapons to Saudi Arabia and other countries that do bad things for people's human rights



We will help countries work together to:

- Stop damage to the environment
- Buy and sell things in a way that is good for the environment and people's rights
- Stop human rights problems
- Keep countries safe and solve problems in a peaceful way





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