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## Scotland's Green Party Fractures Over Members Who Declare "Sex Is a Biological Reality"

Scotland's Green Party has expelled 13 of its members because they signed a declaration standing up for women's rights in the face of rampant transgenderism in the nation. The dismissals were first reported by the website <u>Holyrood</u>.

Green Party leaders claim that the signatories are in breach of the party's code of conduct, and members claim that the signatories strayed from the policy reservation, failed to "maintain political discipline," ran afoul of the party rule against bullying, and exhibited "behaviors that constitute prejudice based on sexual orientation or gender identity." Party rules ban "trans-exclusionary individuals of any kind."

The Scottish Green Women's Declaration

affirms the party members' commitment to far-left climate ideology, and also claims that "Women's rights, based on the reality of biological sex, have been eroded within the SGP [Scottish Green Party]."

Among the declaration's highlights are that "Women and girls are subject to discrimination and oppression on the basis of their sex, hence sex is a protected characteristic under the Equality Act (2010)," and that "Sex should not be confused with gender. Sex is a biological reality and is both the site of and the excuse for women's oppression."

In addition, the declaration states, "Women and girls have the right to maintain their sex-based protections as set out in the Equality Act (2010), including female only spaces such as changing rooms, hospital wards, sanitary and sleeping accommodation, refuges, hostels and prisons. Women have the right to refuse consent to males being in these female-only spaces or males delivering intimate services to females such as washing, dressing or counselling."

One evicted member claims that those who chose to expel the signatories failed to understand what the declaration is saying.

"It's quite clear that the party didn't read the declaration very carefully or closely. All that it did was assert the right of women to advocate for a series of eight beliefs that they had. It wasn't a demand that the party overturn policy, merely that people be allowed to speak without being harassed and pressurised," said 72-year-old David Jardine, a longtime Green Party member.

"Some of the women who signed the declaration did so anonymously. Some were members who didn't



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want to face [discipline], others were worried about their safety or their work," according to Jardine.

Many signatories rejected the notion that the declaration was somehow "transphobic."

"They seem to think that anyone who signed the declaration is transphobic," said Topher Dawson, another expelled Green. "I have friends who are transgender women. It's simply that to stretch the definition of 'woman' to include people who are not women makes a mockery of all the sex-based protections that have been hard-won by women, for women."

"There is no space to even discuss it. Anyone who even attempts to raise the subject is hounded out," he added.

Why is the transgender issue so important to members of the Green Party? It's not as if they took money from fossil fuel interests or expressed some sort of climate denialism, after all.

"It's not the raison d'etre of the party. If I was a climate denialist that would be unacceptable — that issue is the reason for the party's existence," Dawson said.

A Scottish Green Party spokesman said: "We can confirm disciplinary action was taken against 13 individuals over a breach of our membership policy, which has resulted in their immediate expulsion from the party. The welfare of all our members is our primary concern. The CCC [Conduct and Complaints Committee] process found that the members were in breach of our code of conduct. Next month is Pride month and we hope this decisive action will send a clear message that we stand in solidarity with the LGBTQ+ community now and forever."

While the expulsion of these 13 Green Party members won't have any effect on climate change whatsoever, as the signatories have already affirmed their commitment to that issue, the expulsions do say something about the Left and the transgender movement.

No dissent, not even the mild dissent shown in this particular declaration, can be tolerated. To even question the slightest portion of the transgender agenda is to court punishment.



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