

The ALLIANCE

Rights, wellbeing and fairness



The ALLIANCE manifesto for the 2024 general election



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What is this document about?



Human rights are freedoms that are protected in law.

They make sure we are treated fairly and with dignity.



Wellbeing means feeling comfortable, healthy and happy.



A **manifesto** is a plan that says what we believe in and what work we want to happen.



The 2024 UK general election comes at a very important point after:

- **Brexit** - the way that the UK has come out of the European Union
- the COVID-19 pandemic





- and the **cost of living crisis** – this means the cost of everyday things we need like food, clothes and heating has gone up a lot



These have all had very serious impacts that have been felt by some groups more than others.



The election can be a way for the UK to be seen as one of the world leaders in protecting human rights.



We must do more than protect the rights we have.

We must do more work to make sure everyone has their human rights.



We must put more money into:

- health and social care services
- making sure everyone can be healthy

This can change people's lives.



Our **economy** is how the country produces and uses goods, services and money.

It is time to move on from just growing our economy.



We must move towards a wellbeing economy.

Our economy must have human rights at the centre of it.



Public money must be spent on things that are good for our wellbeing like care and **social security**.

The **social security** system manages claims for **benefits** - the money some people get from the government to live on.



Before the 2024 UK general election, the Health and Social Care Alliance Scotland (the ALLIANCE) calls for all political parties to make these **commitments**.

A **commitment** is something they agree to do.

Human Rights



Human rights are for everyone, and we all benefit from making sure our human rights are protected and strengthened.

- make sure that human rights laws are in place and that we do what they tell us to



- strengthen the human rights **framework** we have

A **framework** is a plan or set of rules for deciding how work will happen.



- have a fair **immigration system** that:
 - supports **recruitment** – how we advertise jobs and choose people to do them
 - makes sure refugees and asylum seekers get their rights



The **immigration system** decides who can come to the UK and what they can do while they are here.

Refugees and asylum seekers are people who have fled their home country because of war or other things harming them or their family.

They come to another country for protection.



Health, care and wellbeing



Health and wellbeing in every part of the UK depends on the UK Government:

- putting money into health and social care services



- doing **public health** work - the ways we help the public to be healthy and to understand the risks of doing some things



- **dealing with health inequalities** – making sure that everyone can be healthy



- dealing with problems caused by **gambling** – betting money

Financial fairness



Public money and the economy must:

- have fairness at the centre of all work
- have money going into the services that people need



- value carers - think that they are important and recognise that they do a good job



- look at different ways to spend public money and grow the economy



- make sure that the social security system:

- is made better
- treats disabled people with dignity
- protects human rights



- deliver a fair, renewable deal on energy
- This means putting money into producing energy in ways that are good for the environment, and that are not expensive.

