

Our priorities

While we welcome some areas of the Government's programme for the next two years, we believe that there are several missed opportunities for equality and human rights. The Government should:



1. Guarantee our rights after Brexit

Guarantee that leaving the EU won't result in reduced legal protections for equality and human rights.

2. Implement everything in the Equality Act

Implement all provisions of the **Equality Act 2010**, including the socio-economic duty and the duty to make adjustments in rented accommodation so disabled people can safely enter and leave their homes.



3. Do more to protect people's rights

Encourage public authorities and businesses to do more to meet their human rights responsibilities, especially in relation to protecting the public.

4. Support disabled people to live independently

Help disabled people to live independently by addressing the lack of accessible housing and improving access to public transport.



5. Carry out a full-scale hate crime review

Carry out a full-scale review of hate crime legislation in England and Wales, including in relation to online hate speech.

6. Develop a comprehensive race strategy

Respond to our **report on race inequality** by developing a comprehensive and coordinated race equality strategy.



7. Scrap the current Employment Tribunal fee regime

Scrap the current Employment Tribunal fee regime and extend the three-month time limit for bringing a claim in maternity and pregnancy discrimination cases.

8. Encourage greater diversity in politics

Encourage greater diversity in politics, including better support for disabled candidates.



9. Improve prisoner safety

Improve prisoner safety by ensuring prisons are properly staffed and increasing resources for mental health services.

10. Introduce a Constitutional Right to Equality

Introduce a Constitutional Right to Equality through the Repeal Bill, and ensure protections from the **EU Charter on Fundamental Rights** are brought into UK law.

