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People want a politics of care

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As Politics Home [reports in an email](#) overnight:

MPs associated with Labour Friends of Israel (LFI) logged on to a online meeting on Thursday evening to discuss the consequences of recognising a Palestinian state.

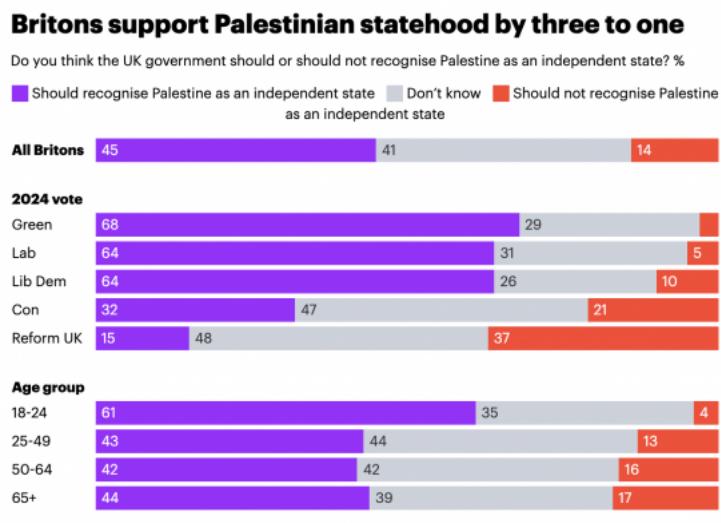
More than a dozen MPs and peers joined the call, including LFI chair Jon Pearce, justice minister Sarah Sackman, government whip Christian Wakeford, PPS's David Pinto-Duschinsky and Josh Simons, and Luke Akehurst.

Akehurst, Labour MP for North Durham, who worked for pro-Israel advocacy organisation We Believe In Israel before joining Parliament, opened the call, critiquing the government's decision.

He believed it was another example of the party capitulating to the Left and was fundamentally the incorrect decision to make.

I think it is important to know who these people are; they need to be held to account for their actions.

To contextualise this, the following data [comes from YouGov](#):



As they put it:

These figures are roughly in line with those [from a poll in June last year](#), at which point 47% of Britons supported statehood while 12% opposed.

Support is especially high among Green (68%), Labour (64%) and Lib Dem voters (64%). Tory voters are more evenly split, although the 32% who support recognising Palestine as a state outweighs the 21% who are opposed.

Only Reform UK voters tend to oppose recognising a Palestinian state, by 37% to 15%.

While support sits at about the same level across over-25 age groups (42-44%), among 18-24 year olds it stands at 61%.

In other words, except amongst the far-right, there is support for the people of Gaza right across the UK population, and most especially amongst the young. But some idiots in Labour are so desperate for it to be seen as an anti-left, far-right party that they will stand against Palestine and its people to make clear their own Zionist, far-right politics.

This is not a party in control.

It is not a party that understands what this country wants. It is, instead, a party on its way to extinction.

People do not want a choice of far-right parties in the UK. They want politics that is about people, care and our planet. When will our politicians get that?