

GRAYLING ENERGY

Grayling Energy Team at Labour Party Conference

We're delighted to be representing Grayling Energy at the 2025 Labour Party Conference (Saturday 28 September - Wednesday 1 October), participating at the Labour Climate and Environment Forum events and the wider conference. As a trusted partner across the energy, transport and sustainability sectors, Grayling brings policy, communications, and public engagement expertise together to help clients navigate change and shape the debate.

Meet the Team

Richard Jukes

Global Chief Executive - Grayling

Biography

Richard Jukes has 30 years' experience in public and corporate affairs, working for specialist political agencies; international communication agencies and, for a time, as an adviser to former Cabinet Ministers and the then Leader of the Opposition. Richard joined Grayling Communications in September 2010 becoming Global Chairman in September 2020 and then in 2023 taking over as global CEO. He provides strategic leadership counsel to several national and international clients across a variety of sectors.



Katie Thrift

Director – Grayling

Biography

Katie is a director in our award-winning public affairs team. She has 15 years-experience providing strategic counsel to some of the UK's leading brands at Grayling, as well as heading up Virgin Trains' public affairs team. Specialising in sustainable transport, she works with a range of businesses who supporting the UK's transition to net zero – from decarbonising our railways to the introduction of electric vehicles.



James Watson

Senior Account Director – Grayling

Biography

James is an energy policy specialist providing public affairs, policy engagement, and government relations strategies for clients across the low-carbon energy and industrial decarbonisation sectors. He has extensive experience working with stakeholders across the energy system - including renewables, storage, networks, flexible generation, hydrogen, carbon capture, and nuclear.

