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# Watson, Giz

(1957 - )

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| **Born** | 19570118, Eastleigh Hampshire England |
| **Occupation** | Parliamentarian |

## Summary

Giz Watson was born Elizabeth Mary Watson at Eastleigh, England, in 1957. She migrated to Australia with her family in 1967, completing her secondary education at Penrhos College. She graduated from Murdoch University with a degree in environmental science in 1981, after which she worked as a self-employed builder. She joined the newly formed Greens (Western Australia) in 1990, and worked as convenor and co-convenor of the party until her election to the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australia for the North Metropolitan Region in 1997. She was re-elected in 2001, 2005 and 2008.

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