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## **EXCLUSIVE**

By **Claire Ellicott** Whitehall Editor

A TOP Tory reported to police in a trans row has vowed to continue speaking up for women's rights and said she refuses to 'deny reality'.

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Rachel Maclean, the Conservative Party's deputy chairman for women, found herself embroiled in a storm after sharing an online post about an aspiring Green MP who is transgender.

The post labelled the Green candidate as a 'man who wears a wig and calls himself a "proud lesbian".

In a social media backlash, Mrs Maclean was accused of transphobia, which she denies, and reported to the police, who saw no reason to get involved.

She apologised for any offence caused to the candidate, but refused to back down from saying what a woman is.

Writing in today's Daily Mail, the Redditch MP reveals she has previously been shouted down by men from within the Labour Party' for standing up for women.

But she says neither she nor the Tories will be cowed into stopping their defence of women. Mrs Maclean writes: 'God forbid a woman should say what a woman is, but as I found out on social media, apparently doing so is controversial these days.'

Vowing to continue to 'fight in the face of a barrage of criticism to stand up for

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