



DDE Newsletter No. 119

Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

Climate endgame: risk of human extinction ‘dangerously underexplored’. Scientists say there are ample reasons to suspect global heating could lead to catastrophe. [Read more ...](#)

The big idea: do nations really need borders? In an era of global heating, fixed boundaries may soon be unsustainable. What are the alternatives? [Read more ...](#)

UK government to hold back data on state of biodiversity in England. The Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs has confirmed it will publish a reduced set of biodiversity indicators this year. [Read more ...](#)

‘Soon the world will be unrecognisable’: is it still possible to prevent total climate meltdown? Blistering heatwaves are just the start. We must accept how bad things are before we can head off global catastrophe, according to a leading UK scientist. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

UK policing and border control infiltrated by war mentality, says report. Campaign groups say hyper-militarisation of British policing agencies is ‘deeply troubling’. [Read more ...](#)

Sewage sleuths: the men who revealed the slow, dirty death of Welsh and English rivers. A tide of effluent, broken laws and ruthless cuts is devastating the nations’ waterways. An academic and a detective have dredged up the truth of how it was allowed to happen – but will anything be done? [Read more ...](#)

Plastic pollution: Birds all over the world are living in our rubbish. Birds from every continent except Antarctica have been photographed nesting or tangled in our rubbish. Photos were submitted by people from all over the world to an online project called Birds and Debris. [Read more ...](#)

Ahead of Kenya elections, female politicians face abuse, attacks. Dozens of female candidates have been physically assaulted while campaigning ahead of the August 9 elections in Kenya. [Read more ...](#)

Local News ...

University of Exeter campuses re-awarded the coveted Green Flag Award. [Read more ...](#)

First residents move into converted warehouse in Exeter city centre. YMCA Exeter’s brand new Sidwell Studios development has welcomed its first residents at the converted warehouse. [Read more ...](#)

Driving down carbon emissions on Devon’s highways - next phase in cutting carbon from Devon’s roads maintenance. [Read more ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Mountains of clothes washed up on Ghana beach show cost of fast fashion. No one will take responsibility of waste left by the used clothing trade, but campaigners are trying to change that.

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'Never seen it this bad': America faces catastrophic teacher shortage. The teacher shortage has hit crisis levels — and school officials everywhere are scrambling to ensure that as students return to classrooms someone is there to educate them. [Read more ...](#)

China fires missiles in 'unprecedented' drills around Taiwan. Chinese military fires ballistic missiles in exercises state media framed as a war plan rehearsal. [Read more ...](#)

Bristol bus boycott organiser Roy Hackett dies aged 93. [Read more ...](#)

Campaigns ...

Palestine Solidarity Campaign: The National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC) uses the motto "every childhood is worth fighting for". Please remind them that this includes Palestinian children. [Petition ...](#)

Palestine Solidarity Campaign: The Israeli authorities are advancing plans to build a new illegal settlement in an area known as E1. Our Government has long regarded E1 as a "red line" which Israel must not cross - but has never said what it will do if Israel persists. [Details ...](#)

Detention Action: Families for Justice have written to the CEO's of the private airlines Hi Fly and Iberojet, inviting them to meet face-to-face with some of the British families torn apart by their mass deportation flights. [Petition ...](#)

Christian Aid: After the worst drought in 40 years, millions of people across East Africa are facing the threat of famine and dying. Conflict, climate crisis and COVID are turning a tough situation into a dire crisis. [Petition ...](#)

Campaign Updates ...

Medical Aid for Palestinians: MAP joins 15 other UK charities calling for an immediate end to the closure of Gaza after 15 years of collective punishment and imposed fragmentation. [Read more ...](#)

War on Want: More debt won't solve Sri Lanka's debt crisis. [Read more ...](#)

350.org: Will the UK's new Prime Minister tackle the climate crisis? [Read more ...](#)

Websites ...

Sustain, the alliance for better food and farming, offer five ways to raise the game on diversity and racial justice

<https://www.sustainweb.org/blogs/jul22-five-ways-to-raise-our-game-on-diversity-and-racial-justice/>

CND: Hiroshima and Nagasaki exhibition

<https://cnduk.org/hiroshima-and-nagasaki-cnd-exhibition-introduction/>