



DDE Newsletter No. 34

Articles ...

Banking and slavery – why apologies are not enough. [Read more ...](#)

The parents of murdered teenager Stephen Lawrence are losing confidence in the ongoing public inquiry into undercover policing. [Read more ...](#)

Undercover officer rekindled relationship seven years later, inquiry told. [Read more ...](#)

What's in a name? How the legacy of slavery endures in Tunisia. Black people in the north African country suffer hardship and disadvantage, and many still carry the label of 'liberated' slaves. [Read more ...](#)

A toxic UK-US deal is just as likely under President Biden. It's down to the public to make sure big business doesn't get its way – we can't rely on Boris Johnson or Biden to stop it. [Read more ...](#)

African Kingdoms: Why a growing number of schools are teaching pre-colonial African history for A-levels
An A-level course on pre-colonial African history has struggled to make headway since it was launched in 2015 – but things seem to be changing. [Read more ...](#)

'I need money for school': the children forced to pan for gold in Zimbabwe, Covid has closed schools and caused economic collapse – now children are taking up the dangerous work of prospecting. [Read more ...](#)

Local news ...

Pennsylvania - News from the Community Builder. [Read more ...](#)

Black History Month Blog Series ... Bringing to the fore the work of African women writers, Black British theatre practitioners, Black British journalists, Black women in UK publishing and creative practitioners. [Read more ...](#)

Covid: Totnes concerns reflect UK-wide rise in conspiracy theories. Suspicion in Devon town of face masks and 5G means take-up of vaccine may face resistance. [Read more ...](#)

Videos and podcasts ...

What Happened when Pack of Wolves were released In Yellowstone National Park is amazing. [Watch](#)

BBC Radio 3 Free Thinking - The Mayflower and Native American history. How do we commemorate the 400th anniversary of the Pilgrims' voyage? [Listen ...](#)

Peterborough Cathedral hosts King Oswald's Raven, an animation and a series of online activities that are part of the 2020 Being Human Festival. [Watch ...](#)

Things to do ...

Sunday 15th November 9pm BBC1 – Small Axe: Mangrove, the first of five films set from the late 1960s to the mid-1980s, each tell a story involving London's West Indian community, whose lives have been shaped by their own force of will, despite rampant racism and discrimination. [Read more ...](#)

[Watch trailer ...](#)

Monday 16th November 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm - Kit de Waal: Novels That Shaped My World. [Details ...](#)

Monday, 16th November 2020 8pm 'Mbira, Spirit of the People' - A film tribute to Chartwell Dutiro master mbira player who died September 2019. [Details ...](#)

Thursday 19th November 6pm - Where are we now? Brexit and Covid-19: A Panel Discussion. [Details ...](#)

Friday 20th November 7pm Old Vessels, New Recipes - a storytelling dinner party via zoom. In aid of the Bridport Refugee Support Campaign - suggest donations of £5+. [Details ...](#)

BBC Arts quiz - Can you judge a book by its cover? [Details ...](#)

Campaigns ...

Care workers In London asking £12 per hour and equal sick pay and annual leave to people who work in the NHS. *We may not be employees of the NHS but we do provide a national health service and shouldn't be treated any differently.* [Petition ...](#)

On 10 November, Lord Kilclooney made a racist reference to the US Vice-President elect Kamala Harris. Lord Kilclooney is a publicly funded official representing the House of Lords. This isn't the first time he's made comments like this - and yet the House of Lords have failed to hold him to account for his comments. [Petition ...](#)

The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) has been ratified by the required 50 states and will now enter into force. The UK can sign the treaty while it still possesses nuclear weapons, provided they are removed from operational status and a transition plan is in place for eventual disarmament. [Petition ...](#)

Scientists are developing genetic engineering tools that can wipe out whole species, by ensuring they only have male offspring. It could kill off problematic pests - but it's too big a risk to take. Species that rely on each other for food or other processes that humans don't know enough about could be wiped out by accident too. [Petition ...](#)

Any successful vaccine must be distributed according to need, not wealth. Pfizer should be sharing its vaccine through the World Health Organisation to help produce enough for everyone, everywhere, not putting the pursuit of profit ahead of human lives. [Petition ...](#)

Book ...

Britain's Black Regiments: Fighting for Empire and Equality by Barry Renfrew. [Details ...](#)