



DDE Newsletter No. 282

Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

Biofuels Globally Emit More CO2 Than The Fossil Fuels They Replace. [Read more ...](#)

Environmental defenders are being killed for protecting our future – the law needs to catch up. [Read more ...](#)

Towns may have to be abandoned due to floods with millions more homes in Great Britain at risk
Every constituency projected to be at greater risk, with many areas likely to be uninsurable ...
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End of the world as we know it: Damning new report says Earth has reached its first climate ‘tipping point’
Milestone signals stark new reality for the planet – and raises the alarm about impending catastrophes.
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The UK should be prepared to cope with weather extremes as a result of at least 2C of global warming by 2050, independent climate advisers have said. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

Women in remote Guatemala find strength in shared voices. Over 500 women in Baja Verapaz and Chimaltenango unite in clubs to foster self-worth, community support and confidence. [Read more ...](#)

The existence of hunger is a political choice. States can and must act to end hunger. [Read more ...](#)

Why is India prosecuting Muslims who said ‘I love Muhammad’? More than 2,500 people have been charged, as an initial crackdown on the expression has spawned broader protests. [Read more ...](#)

‘They didn’t even read the book’: How children’s authors are being canceled over Palestine. Authors tell of book bans, cancellations and harassment – ‘they’re trying to disconnect us from our stories’
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Things to do ...

Wednesday 22nd October 2:30pm to 4:30pm *GSI Assembly: What will the world look like in 2050 and how can we prepare?* [Details ...](#)

Venue: Roborough Building, Exeter University

Monday 27th October 7pm to 8pm *Marking Black History Month 2025* - featuring Dawn Butler MP, the first elected African-Caribbean woman to become a UK government minister. Organised by Unlock Democracy [Details ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

I Swear review – A crowdpleaser about Tourette syndrome that isn't at all treacly. Inspired by the story of campaigner John Davidson, this British indie occasionally adheres to tearjerking genre formula, but is also nicely subtle and smart about its hero's disorder. [Read more ...](#)

Wambugu apple takes root in Jamaica ... aims to outgrow foreign imports. [Read more ...](#)

Queen Dolly 'ain't ready to die yet'. Phew, we need her in the world. [Read more ...](#)

Trump Fires Black Officials From an Overwhelmingly White Administration. Separately, in the administration's first 200 days, only two of 98 Senate-confirmed appointees to the most senior jobs in government were Black. [Read more ...](#)

US cities to resist Trump's crackdown on dissent with No Kings protests: 'We will not be bullied'. Second round of protests at more than 2,500 sites are set for Saturday, including in cities where Trump has sent troops. [Read more ...](#)

Playing the Dozens. [Read more ...](#)

The expression "yo mama" is used as a joke built upon making an exaggerated claim or insult about someone's mother. [Read more ...](#)

Venezuelan opposition leader María Corina Machado wins Nobel Peace Prize. [Read more ...](#)

Fishermen in Trinidad and Tobago are fearing that a U.S. military strike in the Caribbean could kill them and their livelihoods. [Read more ...](#)

The White House has accused the Nobel Committee of placing "politics over peace" for awarding its most coveted prize to a Venezuelan pro-democracy activist over US President Donald Trump. [Read more ...](#)

Local News ...

Climate science workshop brings together schoolchildren and world-leading researchers. [Read more ...](#)

One of the largest artificial reefs in the world has been installed at a wind farm off the Sussex coast. ... The low carbon reef cubes are made near Truro from recycled waste aggregate from Cornish clay mines. [Read more ...](#)

'When I pass piles of fishing nets, I see piles of money': a one man recycling revolution on the Cornish coast

Determined to find a solution to the discarded plastic nets, Ian Falconer found a way to convert them into filament for 3D printing, for use in products from motorbikes to sunglasses. [Read more ...](#)

Websites...

Series of articles by historian Jeffrey Green. Its focus was on the activities of black people in Britain ca 1830 to ca 1940.

<https://jeffreygreen.co.uk/>

A huge variety of interesting stories, teaching resources and podcasts on Black History

<https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/learn/histories/black-history/>

The Global Tipping Points Report 2025. As COP30 approaches, we've synthesised the latest research on tipping points – both positive and negative.

<https://global-tipping-points.org/>

Campaign Updates:

MAP: Medical Aid for Palestinians welcomes the announcement of the first phase of a ceasefire agreement between Israel and Hamas. [Read more ...](#)

War on Want: Toxic harvest: fossil fuel pesticides on our plates. [Read more ...](#)

Practical Action: Growing change in Nepal: Bin Maya's story. [Read more ...](#)