

Action Points – personal & government

ENERGY - What governments need to do:

- Stop subsidising the fossil fuel industry and the use of its products
- Ban all investments in fossil fuel exploration and extraction
- Divest all banking/borrowing/savings/investments from fossil fuels
- Invest in and subsidise de-centralised renewable energy production
- Invest in green hydrogen production and tax blue (fossil fuel) hydrogen
- Substantially raise industry standards in energy and emissions efficiency
- Expand the electricity distribution network
- Change planning controls to encourage renewable energy generation in conservation areas
- Subsidise and incentivise the rapid halving of carbon emissions from existing building stock
- Update planning regulations and policy guidance requiring all new-builds to be carbon neutral
- Introduce a carbon fee and pay equal dividends to all legal residents
- Tax aviation fuel and introduce flight rationing
- Permanently ban fracking, phase out crude oil & gas production and imports of natural gas
- Close all fossil fuel power stations
- Increase scrap collection and recycling rates

ENERGY - What I can do:

- Vote for an MP with a track record of voting in Parliament against fossil fuels and for renewables
- Change your electricity supplier to 100% renewable
- Switch your home & water heating to 100% renewable (solar, heat pump, electric, or 'green' gas)
- Improve home insulation
- Divest all savings and bank accounts from fossil fuels
- Ensure that all new electrical appliances are low-energy ideally with an A+++ rating
- Avoid petrol, diesel, oil, natural gas, and LPG powered equipment - choose electric
- Avoid unnecessary use (turn down heating & switch off appliances when not in use)
- Stop using coal, oil, natural gas and LPG - as quickly as possible

TRANSPORT What governments need to do:

- Electrify the entire national rail network
- Subsidise and expand public transport and switch it to electric
- Subsidise the provision of ample charging points for electric vehicles
- Cancel all new carbon-based transport infrastructure projects (Heathrow, HS2, etc.)
- Stop the production of all fossil fuel powered vehicles/ships/aircraft

TRANSPORT - What I can do:

- Vote for an MP with a track record of voting in Parliament against fossil fuel powered transport and in favour of renewably powered transport
- Use public transport, car share - shorter trips are responsible for $\frac{3}{4}$ of transport emissions
- Walk, cycle, use an electric cycle or electric car
- Use a share-fleet car rather than owning your own - private cars are unused 95% of the time
- Work from home as much as possible
- See distant family/friends by video chat. Use video conferencing instead of going to meetings
- Avoid unnecessary journeys and choose closer destinations
- Avoid jets flights and cruise ships
- Stop buying diesel and petrol - as quickly as possible

FOOD & LAND - What governments need to do:

- Transform agriculture from a carbon source to a carbon sink
- Subsidise transition to no-tillage arable/veg farming systems
- Subsidise the natural regeneration and planting of massive forests
- Subsidise management of land (e.g. farmland) for wildlife and carbon sequestration (e.g. peatland)
- Subsidise the switch from livestock farming to horticulture
- Phase out fossil fuel fertilisers and subsidise the transition to fully organic production
- Phase out then ban all factory farming of animals and factory farmed animal imports
- Phase out then ban all soy from animal feed
- Outlaw supermarket food waste

FOOD & LAND - What I can do:

- Vote for an MP with a track record of voting in Parliament against intensive/unsustainable farming and in favour of organic extensive/sustainable farming, afforestation, and carbon sequestration
- Eat local in-season organic produce and avoid foods imported from other continents
- Grow your own food organically, claim an allotment if you don't have garden
- Join a community composting and/or food growing scheme
- Eat meat and/or fish/seafood less than once a month
- Minimise food waste and compost the rest
- Manage land for maximum carbon capture (permaculture, natural regeneration, tree planting)
- Boycott the products of factory farming and other environmentally damaging production methods

INDUSTRY & CONSUMERISM - What governments need to do:

- Legislate on, and/or tax, carbon emissions from imported goods and manufacturing processes
- Support/incentivise a 'Green Consumer Society' promoting sustainable production/consumption
- Tax then phase out carbon emissions from metal production and cement production
- Legislate on, and/or tax, carbon emissions from imported goods and manufacturing processes
- Ban single use plastics

INDUSTRY & CONSUMERISM - What I can do:

- Become an 'ethical' or 'green' consumer
- Choose sustainably produced, fair trade, locally made, repairable
- Only buy what you really need
- Stop buying fashion goods & buy brand new clothing no more than once a year
- Don't buy new unless you really have to, choose 2nd hand, pre-loved, refurbished, repaired
- Reuse, re-home, recycle
- Avoid plastics and plastic packaging
- Every time you choose a product, always choose the greenest affordable option.
- Talk to people about it using this method - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RkklaXhbTuA>

WHAT OUR GOVERNMENT NEEDS TO DO

- Declare a Climate and Ecological Emergency and announce it to everyone, via all media, conveying the urgency and scale of changes needed
- Set legally enforceable targets to be carbon neutral by 2030 at the latest
- Empower a Citizens Assembly, to fully consider the issues and options, and act on its decisions
- Legislate and regulate in favour of sustainable development and against unsustainable development
- Abandon the pursuit of economic growth and change how we measure success
- Implement policies and economic incentives to reward urgent low-emissions strategies
- Ban corporate support for, and strictly limit all other payments to, MP's and election campaigns

HOW WE CAN INFLUENCE GOVERNMENT POLICY

- Every time you choose who to vote for, make care of the natural world your top priority
- Monitor the Parliamentary voting record of your MP and, if he/she fails to support urgent actions to tackle the Climate and Ecological Crisis, vote for a different one
<https://www.theyworkforyou.com/>
- Protest – join the children, parents, and grandparents, teachers, scientists, health professionals and others who have decided to take action. Engaging in sustained non-violent civil disobedience can be a very effective way of putting pressure on policy makers and businesses.
<https://rebellion.earth/> If direct action is not for you, why not lobby your MP, sign petitions, support campaigns, and support protesters

WHAT THE WORLD'S GOVERNMENTS NEED TO DO

- Make Ecocide a crime against humanity by amending The Rome Statute. Ecocide is defined as "the large scale systematic destruction of an ecosystem". Any Head of State who's a member of the International Criminal Court can propose an amendment. It then requires the support of a two-thirds majority of the 122 member countries