



THE TIME IS NOW VIRTUAL MASS LOBBY: PRIORITY ASKS

A MOMENT FOR CHANGE

At the Virtual Lobby on Tuesday 30th June, people across the UK are coming together to call on MPs to put people, climate and nature at the heart of the UK's recovery from coronavirus.

As we build back from the current health crisis, we have the opportunity to build a resilient economy that benefits everyone in society, tackling climate change and nature's decline, creating jobs and protecting the most vulnerable in the UK and around the world. So - as the Prime Minister and Chancellor seek to reboot the economy from the effects of the lockdown, we believe this is a historic opportunity for the UK government to:

1. Unleash investment in jobs-rich climate and nature-friendly infrastructure supporting millions out of the recession - including through:

- **Building economic resilience by applying a net-zero test to all spending and taxation measures** - unless we embed the future economy in our decision-making today, we risk further instability and crises in the future.
- **Protecting key workers and the most vulnerable** from ill-health next winter by launching an infrastructure programme to insulate our homes - reducing our energy use and creating jobs. The Government can start by delivering on the energy efficiency funding for buildings promised in its election manifesto and build on this to make all homes energy efficient by 2030.
- **Increasing investment in cycling and walking** infrastructure and public transport, and bringing forward the phaseout of new petrol and diesel cars and vans to 2030 to protect our health and make our air cleaner.
- **Ensuring that any Covid-19 financial rescue packages** for companies are granted on strict conditions that align to the 1.5 Degree C commitment in the Paris Climate Agreement - putting people and workers first.

2. Put nature on the path to recovery at home and abroad through:

- **Setting world-leading targets for nature's restoration** in the Environment Bill, deliver an ambitious Agriculture Bill and invest in a nature recovery network that will increase everyone's access to green and wild space.

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- **Putting sustainability at the heart of future trade policy** by guaranteeing in law that food imports through future trade deals don't undermine environmental, food safety and animal welfare standards in the UK.
- **Reducing the global impact of UK consumption** by requiring companies by law to ensure the sustainability of their supply chains. Reducing our global footprint and restoring nature across the world will be a key part of building resilience against future pandemics.

3. Support the most vulnerable abroad

- **Champion debt cancellation** and an increase in grants to the world's poorest communities to enable them to build their resilience to both the COVID-19 and climate crises.
- **End all UK public finance for fossil fuels** overseas shifting instead to renewable, efficient energy and energy access for poor communities.

We have set out more detail on the asks above in The Climate Coalition's ['Plan for a Green, Fair & Healthy Recovery'](#)

PLEASE ASK YOUR MP TO:

1. Tweet using the [social tiles](#) to promote their involvement. Suggested tweets below:
 - #TheTimelsNow for a healthy, green and fair recovery #GreenRecovery
 - I support my constituents as they call for a healthy, green and fair recovery from #COVID19. #TheTimelsNow @theccoalition
2. Write to the Prime Minister to tell him about their constituents' support for a green and fair recovery and the recommendations in the Climate Coalition's ['Plan for a Green, Fair & Healthy Recovery'](#)
3. (From Monday 22nd June) Sign the Climate Coalition's Declaration for a Healthy, Greener, Fairer Tomorrow showing their commitment to bold action on nature and climate in the build-up to the United Nations climate and biodiversity conferences taking place next year. theclimatecoalition.org/declaration (link live from 21/06/20)