



DDE Newsletter No. 107

Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

EU officials being trained to meditate to help fight climate crisis. Early results from ‘applied mindfulness’ courses suggests they have helped overcome despair that little can be done. [Read more ...](#)

God’s own gardens: why churchyards are some of our wildest nature sites. Peaceful, unpolluted and often left untouched for centuries, a growing green church movement is helping these havens of biodiversity thrive. [Read more ...](#)

Forests in the tropics are critical for tackling climate change – yet the people showing how are being exploited. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

Singapore executes man on drugs charge, rejecting mental disability plea. [Read more ...](#)

Even marginal decline in grain exports from Ukraine will rattle global food security. [Read more ...](#)

Killing us softly every day: why the UK must wise up on air quality. The news that almost all of us are breathing in unacceptable levels of pollution shows the government’s complacency. [Read more ...](#)

Get a free Air Quality report for your address. [Details ...](#)

The Friday wives: how a quiet picket grew to push for change in Cambodia. After years facing arrest and violence as they fought for their loved ones, a group of women became a rare voice of defiance.

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How the Karen became crucial to Myanmar’s anti-coup resistance. Long fighting for its own independence, the Karen National Union is providing protection and training to those opposed to the military. [Read more ...](#)

Watch and listen ...

BBC 1: Dinosaurs – The Final Day with David Attenborough. [Watch ...](#)

Things to do ...

Thursdays 12th, 19th & 26th May 7pm to 9pm at Dartington Village Hall - *Rooted We Rise - Singing circles for People of Colour and People of Mixed Heritage* with Fran Andre and on **Sunday 5th June** - Celebration event! [Details ...](#)

Monday 16th May 7:30pm to 9pm *Memorial Webinar for Kelso Cochrane* – organised by Dissenting Committee & Windrush Foundation. [Details ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Leaked draft opinion suggests Supreme Court may overturn Roe v. Wade. [Read more ...](#)

Homeless shelters begin to see value in making room for pets. [Read more ...](#)

The right to swim: mass trespass of Kinder reservoir planned. Ninety years ago, Peak District rambblers defied the law to push for open access. This Sunday wild swimmers take their own stand. [Read more ...](#)

The big picture: a baptism among the magnolia blossoms in Atlanta. Lucas Foglia's image of a child at a religious ceremony in Georgia reflects his vision of prayer in nature. [Read more ...](#)

Woman who rides bus to stay warm is tip of pensioner poverty iceberg. Elsie's case left Boris Johnson flailing in interview but her story highlights plight of many – and inadequate help. [Read more ...](#)

Ministry of Defence refuses to say whether US nukes are returning to British soil. American nuclear bombs were removed from Britain in 2008 but there are signs they could be set to return. [Read more ...](#)

Campaigns ...

War on Want: End the UK-Israel arms trade! Armed violence against Palestinians is at the heart of Israel's occupation and apartheid regime, and the UK is complicit through its arms trade with Israel. [Petition ...](#)

350.org: Deutsche Bank: Drop EACOP! Tell Deutsche Bank to rule out funding for Total's East African Crude Oil Pipeline and stop providing finance for fossil fuel expansion. [Petition ...](#)

Campaign Updates ...

Stop the War: Ukraine Is Fast Becoming a Pawn in a Great Power War. The conflict initiated by the Russian invasion has escalated from a localised act of aggression into a full-blown proxy war between NATO and Russia. [Read more ...](#)

Amnesty: Priti Patel's racist Nationality and Borders Bill 'drags the UK's reputation through the mud' [Read more ...](#)