

Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

Cop27 is here and the climate crisis is daunting but here's the key to tackling it – cheer up. We environmentalists must avoid sending the message that the situation is hopeless. Let's focus on solutions.

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'It was like an apocalyptic movie': 20 climate photographs that changed the world. They are the images that made us sit up and take notice. As world leaders gather for Cop27, these pictures prove that global heating isn't a distant possibility – it's already here. [Read more ...](#)

'Significant' moves on climate disaster funds lift Cop27 hopes. Small but symbolic moves at summit where finance is critical include new loss and damage money and debt relief. [Read more ...](#)

COP27: Oil giants like Shell and BP could be responsible for more than £7tn in 'climate debt', analysis shows. [Read more ...](#)

Fossil fuels are the world's worst deals to insure - here's why. Major insurance companies are rightly dumping fossil fuel projects. But they should move faster - for their own good. [Read more ...](#)

I have seen the devastation in Kenya with my own eyes. When I think of those two girls fetching water, the women and girls who are afraid of being raped, I cannot believe how drastically everything has changed. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

Sikh prayer books return to military after 100 years. [Read more ...](#)

Crowd watches as Cambridge bridge is renamed after abolitionist Olaudah Equiano. [Read more ...](#)

Slavery rejected in some, not all, states where on ballot. [Read more ...](#)

Albanian migrants in UK experiencing 'alarming rise' in hostility and suspicion. [Read more ...](#)

How Qatar bought up Britain. As the world's attention turns to the emirate for the World Cup, an Observer investigation reveals that it and its ruling family have amassed a £10bn property empire.

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Book ...

African and Caribbean People in Britain: A History by Hakim Adi. [Details ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Many Republican candidates who denied or questioned the 2020 election result have lost their races. But the races involving election deniers in Arizona and Nevada remain too early to call. [Read more ...](#)

Brazil, Indonesia and DRC in talks to form 'Opec of rainforests'. Spurred by Lula's election, the three countries, home to half of all tropical forests, will pledge stronger conservation efforts. [Read more ...](#)

How to move a country: Fiji's radical plan to escape rising sea levels. In Fiji, the climate crisis means dozens of villages could soon be underwater. Relocating so many communities is an epic undertaking. But now there is a plan – and the rest of the world is watching. [Read more ...](#)

How should you talk to your cat? A new study reveals a genius hack. It's the feline equivalent of baby talk. [Read more ...](#)

This is no country for young people. The fate of so many of our children is sealed at birth. Shocking new figures reveal the ugly truth that the circumstances of early years, from a baby's weight to family ties, matter too much. [Read more ...](#)

Watch and listen ...

Watch the documentary of the story behind the origin of Jabulani Coffee. This is the story of the single origin coffee beans from Rwanda, which we roast here in Devon on behalf of the Jabulani Food Court and local CIC, the Diversity Business Incubator. The team at Owens, Ivybridge, have been looking forward to sharing this wonderful story. [Watch ...](#)

Local News ...

Funding for Exeter's thriving cultural sector welcomed in the city. [Read more ...](#)

'Climate activism is everywhere – and not just on the streets,' claim authors of new book. [Read more ...](#)

University of Exeter at COP27 climate talks. Professor Peter Stott and Professor Ian Fussell consider COP27 and the power of storytelling for a world in need of change. [Read more ...](#)

Things to do ...

Thursday 27th October to Sunday 29th January 10am to 5pm *Transforming Lives* at Black Cultural Archives, London, SW2 1EF. An exhibition showcasing a broad selection of some of the most interesting artists within Black British talent, who are commenting on life at present and the potential future(s).

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Wednesday 9th November to Saturday 19th November *Being Human Festival* is all about celebrating the importance of the humanities, and opening up research for all to enjoy. [Details ...](#)

Websites...

Eco-Conscious Citizens

<https://linktr.ee/EcoConsciousCitizens>

[Campaigns ...](#)

Palestine Solidarity Campaign: Ask your MP to attend a briefing on why they should oppose anti-bds legislation. We're taking our opposition to the government's planned anti-boycott legislation to parliament. [Details ...](#)

Civil Society Statement: As a group of civil society organisations ... we advocate for the right of public bodies to decide not to purchase or procure from, or invest in companies involved in human rights abuse, abuse of workers' rights, destruction of our planet, or any other harmful or illegal acts. We therefore oppose the government's proposed law to stop public bodies from taking such actions. [Read more ...](#)

350.org: To leaders of the US, UK and EU: Fund the just transition everywhere. People across the world are already struggling with the impacts of the climate crisis: extreme droughts, wildfires, storms and floods. It's your duty to act to prevent even more suffering. [Petition ...](#)

War on Want: Since 2020, Lanka Leather management has refused to engage with the established union. Instead, they have used familiar 'union-busting' tactics to try and break the union. [Petition ...](#)

350.org: Stand in solidarity with Pacific Island nations calling for an end to fossil fuels ... a binding global treaty is needed to stop the spread of coal, oil and gas. All member states of the United Nations must follow Vanuatu's and Tuvalu's lead and call for a Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty. [Petition ...](#)

Avaz: Climate change is drowning the Pacific Islands. Urge world leaders to join the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty to manage a just transition away from fossil fuels. [Petition ...](#) from Prime Minister of Tuvalu

Reprieve: The National Security Bill is a new Bill which could allow Ministers to get away with providing tip-offs that lead to torture and murder. It could also prevent those affected from ever getting justice. [Details ...](#)

UK officials in line for immunity in assisting crimes overseas, say critics. Draft security bill would let spies and ministers enable killings and torture, warn charity and ex-minister. [Read more ...](#)

Campaign Updates ...

Sustainable Innovations: This video showcases a lasting solution where we can use water hyacinth which is an invasive species to make Biogas for cooking, brooding and lighting our homes. Water Hyacinth has been a very big problem within the Lake Victoria basin, it has really affected the transport sector, the fishing industry with loss of livelihood. [Watch ...](#)

Global Justice Now: Making Polluters Pay: Estimates for corporate climate debt and reparations. [Read more ...](#) Tell big polluters to pay for their climate damages. [Petition ...](#)

Medical Aid for Palestinians: MAP is responding to emerging critical health needs in the West Bank and East Jerusalem, resulting from escalating violence characterised by repeated Israeli military raids. [Read more ...](#)

Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament: NATO, Russia war games are making nuclear risks worse. Leaders on all sides are pursuing policies inexorably driving us towards nuclear war. They must step back. [Read more ...](#)

What are 'tactical' nuclear weapons? And will they lead to Armageddon? [Watch ...](#)

Climate Coalition: We call on the Prime Minister, Chancellor and every government minister to rise to their historic responsibility to keep people safe, the climate stable, and nature protected. [Read more ...](#)