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Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

New Cop28 president is CEO of oil company. Dr Sultan Al Jaber is the group chief executive of Abu Dhabi National Oil Company. [Read more ...](#)

New Cumbria coalmine likely to break UK's climate pledge, analysis says. Whitehaven colliery will release about 17,500 tonnes of methane every year, estimates thinktank. [Read more ...](#)

Revealed: more than 90% of rainforest carbon offsets by biggest provider are worthless, analysis shows. Investigation into Verra carbon standard finds most are 'phantom credits' and may worsen global heating. [Read more ...](#)

River Mersey now home to sharks after decades-long clean-up. Five different types of shark have been found in the iconic river. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

Hedge funds holding up vital debt relief for crisis-hit Sri Lanka, warn economists. 182 experts say only debt cancellation offers chance of recovery but private investors are playing hardball. [Read more ...](#)

Honduran activists demand action after killing of water defenders. President Xiomara Castro's government must do more to protect those fighting for environmental rights, critics say. [Read more ...](#)

Senior UN officials in Afghanistan to press for women's rights. The delegation includes Deputy Secretary-General Amina Mohammed and Sima Bahous, executive secretary of UN Women. [Read more ...](#)

Khurram Pervez: Jailed Kashmir activist awarded top rights prize. Three campaigners from Kashmir, Chad, and Venezuela win the Martin Ennals Award with the jury hailing their 'courage'. [Read more ...](#)

Local News

Dartmoor wild camping ban: Fears for future of Ten Tors as Government urged to intervene. MP Richard Foord wants to see people's right to access and utilise National Park land to be protected, particularly for wild camping, which many people in the South West often enjoy. [Read more ...](#)

We Still Have a Chance: City gears up for three climate-inspired exhibitions. Three exhibitions inspired by a University-led international climate project are preparing to open at venues across the city from this month. [Read more ...](#)

Three "super-leverage points" could trigger a cascade of decarbonisation in sectors covering 70% of global greenhouse gas emissions, according to a new report presented today at the World Economic Forum in Davos. [Read more ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Lost for words: fears of 'catastrophic' language loss due to rising seas. Climate crisis could be the 'nail in the coffin' for half of languages spoken by the end of the century, say linguists, as coastal communities are forced to migrate. [Read more ...](#)

I'm a millionaire – this is why I'm at Davos begging to pay more tax. I've seen how growing inequality is tearing societies apart. Now I'm calling for the world's richest people to pay their fair share. [Read more ...](#)

Skeptical Saskatoon seniors help police trap suspects in 'grandparent emergency scam'. Couple worked with police to trick alleged fraudsters. [Read more ...](#)

Paul Auster: 'The right to own a gun in the US is seen as a kind of holy grail'. In their new book, the novelist and his photographer son-in-law document the sites of mass shootings in the US and argue for urgent change in the relationship between Americans and guns. [Read more ...](#)

A regional accent can take you a long way. Just ask Daniel Craig. Richard E Grant's late wife, Joan Washington, knew the right moments to recall her Aberdonian roots. Sometimes it's all about delivery. [Read more ...](#)

Are cows at sea the future of farming? A high-tech micro-dairy called Floating Farm in Rotterdam is helping rethink agriculture in the age of climate crisis. [Read more ...](#)

Watch and listen ...

Radio 4: On Savage Shores: How Indigenous Americans Discovered Europe by Caroline Dodds Pennock
How Indigenous peoples - as traders, ambassadors and enslaved peoples - discovered Europe long before Columbus set foot on American soil. Read by Maggie Service. [Listen ...](#)

Things to do ...

Saturday 21st January 1:30pm Ivybridge Station Join Right to Roam and The Stars are for Everyone as we call on the spirit of Old Crockern to protect Dartmoor's ancient rights! [Details ...](#)

Campaign updates ...

Reprieve: 86-year-old Holocaust survivor Joan, who fled the Nazis as a child, confronted the Home Secretary Suella Braverman at a Conservative Party event in her Fareham constituency with a powerful message: stop trying to divide us. [Watch ...](#)

Medical Aid for Palestinians: Liberal Democrat parliamentarians witness threats to Palestinian health and dignity up close. [Read more ...](#)

Stop the War Coalition: Can NATO Find a Diplomatic Off-Ramp in Ukraine? [Read more ...](#)

Palestine Solidarity Campaign: Israel's New Procedure for Entry and Residence of Foreigners in the West Bank. [Read more ...](#)

Campaigns ...

Avaaz: To Fossil Fuel CEOs: This *Cease and Desist* Notice is to demand that you immediately stop opening any new oil, gas, or coal extraction sites, and stop blocking the clean energy transition we all so urgently need. (Vanessa from Uganda, Greta from Sweden, Helena from Ecuador, Luisa from Germany) [Petition ...](#)

Palestine Solidarity Campaign: To PUMA's New CEO - Stop Supporting Israeli Apartheid. PUMA is still ignoring Palestinian sports teams, and sponsoring the Israel Football Association, which governs for football teams in illegal Israeli settlements, on stolen Palestinian land. [Petition ...](#)

Change.org: Unfair and offensive stigmatization and discrimination of UK Government against Albanians. [Petition ...](#)

Freedom from Torture: Holocaust Survivor Joan Salter to Home Secretary - Stop scapegoating refugees, start helping them. [Petition ...](#)

War on Want: Stand with Peru's Indigenous communities — against state violence. Peru's mass protests have become a human rights crisis. [Petition ...](#)

350.org: No more subsidies for fossil fuels! We need to stand in solidarity with Argentinians in their call for financing the energy transition and cease all fracking projects in Vaca Muerta. [Petition ...](#)