



DDE Newsletter No. 105

Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

Incredibly, current climate pledges could keep heating below 2C – but our work isn't over. The battle to get countries and companies to sign up to net zero is being won. Now let's keep pushing for more ambitious targets. [Read more ...](#)

'Green industry wants to take our land': the Arctic paradox. Sweden's 'green transformation' promises to help Europe fight the climate crisis. So why is it uniting radical environmentalists, ecologists and Sami reindeer herders in protest? [Read more ...](#)

Five charts that show why our food is not ready for the climate crisis. [Read more ...](#)

How the African rainforest is helping fight climate change. In the midst of the African rainforest, one elusive animal wreaks havoc on vegetation – and in doing so, offers a big favour for the climate. [Read more ...](#)

Oceans and their largest inhabitants could be the key to storing our carbon emissions. [Read more ...](#)

Bearing the brunt of extreme storms in Madagascar. The World Weather Attribution Network says tropical storms and cyclones have been made more intense by climate change. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

Nato countries: Full list of members and what the military alliance does, with Finland and Sweden set to join. [Read more ...](#)

Bryant Terry: "There's this perception of veganism being a white thing". Hannah Twigg speaks to award-winning chef Bryant Terry about the hip hop song that inspired him to become a food activist, why we need to stop thinking of veganism as a white thing, and the hard graft and teamwork that went into his new book 'Black Food'. [Read more ...](#)

UK military vaults upgraded to store new US nuclear weapons. A US 2023 budget request shows the UK is one of several European countries where investment is under way at 'special weapons' storage sites. [Read more ...](#)

Who is Viktor Medvedchuk and why his arrest is a big deal. On April 12, the Security Service of Ukraine captured the country's most high-profile pro-Kremlin politician Viktor Medvedchuk. [Read more ...](#)

'We've finished our tears': Tigray's main hospital exhausts food. More than 90 percent of Tigray's people need food aid, despite a truce called to the 18-month-long civil war in Ethiopia. [Read more ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

'Putin is killing civilians': the train station where Russians are greeted with images of war. In Lithuania, Russians commuting to Kaliningrad come face-to-face with photographs of bombed Ukrainian cities and bloodied bodies. [Read more ...](#)

What Archaeologists Are Learning About the Lives of the Chinese Immigrants Who Built the Transcontinental Railroad. In the sparse Utah desert, the vital contributions of these 19th-century laborers are finally coming to light. [Read more ...](#)

C of E procedures on racial injustice 'inadequate', says Cambridge college. Jesus College 'let down' but will not appeal ruling preventing removal of memorial to slave trader Tobias Rustat. [Read more ...](#)

Zimbabweans abroad switch to food delivery apps to help family at home. As food prices soar, Zimbabwe's diaspora are opting for delivery services rather than money transfers to help hard-hit relatives. [Read more ...](#)

Radio 4 Crossing Continents: Russia's Unwelcome New Exiles. Putin's war on Ukraine has sent hundreds of thousands of Russians into exile, for political or economic reasons. In Georgia, some now help Ukraine. But they're not always welcome. [Listen ...](#)

In the Rush to Return to 'Normal,' What Happens to the Vulnerable? [Read more ...](#)

'Frexit in all but name': what a Marine Le Pen win would mean for EU. It is feared if far-right candidate becomes French president she will try to destroy the bloc from inside. [Read more ...](#)

Remarkable rise of Exeter's thriving global supermarket Heera. We went to Heera, the South West's first international food shop, to discover how business has changed over the years. [Read more ...](#)

Ukrainian Millionaire Had Troops Bomb His New Home After Russians Seized it. [Read more ...](#)

How many more wind turbines will the UK build? The government says it wants to generate enough wind energy to be able to power every home in the UK by 2030. [Read more ...](#)

Apparently Gary Neville doesn't love this country because he criticised its leaders. What nonsense. Are we obliged always to back and to praise our governments? Is this a new definition of patriotism? [Read more ...](#)

Home Office staff threaten mutiny over 'shameful' Rwanda asylum deal. On an intranet noticeboard civil servants drew a comparison with serving under Adolf Hitler, and asked if they had a duty to 'resist'. [Read more ...](#)

Uganda oil project casts shadow over Total's eco-friendly image. French energy firm plans to drill in national park and build 900-mile pipeline in sensitive environments. [Read more ...](#)

Local News ...

Major restoration of historical Dartmoor waterway secures supply of water to farms. The Leat is at least 170 years old and is an unlined, man-made water channel, running for nearly five miles [Read more ...](#)

Things to do ...

Thursday 28th April 6pm Making Fairtrade flowers bloom. [Details ...](#)

Monday 16th May 6:30pm to 8:00pm Debt Justice launch event! [Details ...](#)

Campaigns ...

Extinction Rebellion: Support First Nations activists, including Squamish, Tsleil-Waututh, Coldwater and bands within the Sto:lo Nation as they mobilise on the ground to #StopTMX! – the Trans Mountain Tarsands pipeline [Petition ...](#)

350.org: Shell is trying to push through a new gas field in the North Sea. The application for Jackdaw was rejected in 2021 because it was too polluting. Despite making no changes to the application, Shell is now trying to force it through again. [Petition ...](#)

38degrees: Barclays & HSBC: Cut ties with fossil fuels, invest in renewable energy projects. [Petition ...](#)

SumOfUs: Munich Re to stop supporting new oil and gas projects, starting with the East African Crude Oil Pipeline! [Petition ...](#)

Change.org: No to offshoring! Stop Government plans to send asylum seekers to Rwanda. [Petition ...](#)

Palestine Solidarity Campaign: Write to your MP to call on them to demand the Government to stop arming Israel! [Details ...](#)

Amnesty: Morad Tahbaz is a father who has been unjustly detained in Iran for over four years. His daughter, Roxanne, is calling on the UK government to do all they can to bring him home. [Petition ...](#)

Reprieve: Nagaenthran Dharmalingam – known as Nagen to his family – has intellectual disabilities, yet the Singaporean authorities have scheduled his execution for next Wednesday, 27 April 2022. [Petition ...](#)

Campaign Updates ...

Fairtrade Foundation: Mars, Fairtrade and ECOOKIM – a collection of cocoa farming co-operatives in Côte d'Ivoire – announced plans to deepen their partnership, through an innovative \$10m programme to raise farmer incomes. [Read more ...](#)

Jubilee Debt Campaign: Cancelling Ukraine's debt would help the whole world. [Read more ...](#)

Stop the War Coalition: Western Hypocrisy: What Biden Gets Wrong About Russia. [Read more ...](#)

War on Want: The UK is the main European exporter of deadly agrochemicals – such as paraquat – that have devastating effects on humans, animals and the environment across the Global South. [Watch ...](#)

Medical Aid for Palestinians: UK fails to support resolutions upholding Palestinian rights at Human Rights Council. [Read more ...](#)