



# DDE Newsletter No. 114

## Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

Young Europeans Sue to Stop Treaty That Fossil Fuel Giants Use to Foil Climate Action. [Read more ...](#)

Bangladesh floods: Experts say climate crisis worsening situation. The densely populated delta nation, one of the world's most climate-vulnerable, is facing its worst floods in more than a century. [Read more ...](#)

Ending use of UK-grown biofuels in petrol could feed 3.5 million people, says think tank. Huge areas of land growing crops to burn as biofuels could help feed hungry and slash supermarket prices, says Green Alliance. [Read more ...](#)

## Windrush Day 22nd June

The Windrush statue is offensive – no wonder people are boycotting it. It's bizarre, at best, that the government has sponsored this monument while continuing to deny the existence of institutional racism. [Read more ...](#)

Roy Williams: 'As a child of Jamaican parents, I love the Windrush generation. But they also did a lot wrong'. On Windrush Day 2022, Roy Williams writes about exploring the legacy of racism in his new play The Fellowship – and making peace with the actions of his parents and their peers. [Read more ...](#)

Windrush claimant still waiting for payout after 'complex' case abandoned. Exclusive: Gloria Fletcher, 62, said she was 'ballistic' when she was told her claim is awaiting a new case worker after being 'archived'. [Read more ...](#)

A hostile environment baton passed from Theresa May to Priti Patel – and a decade of cruelty. From 'Go home' vans to Rwanda deportation flights, there has been a lot to learn, but we can't and won't succumb to despair. [Read more ...](#)

### Watch and listen ...

Meet Charlie Phillips, the photographer who captures images of everyday life. Part of the Windrush Generation, Charlie came to England when he was eleven years old. He taught himself photography by playing around with a camera and learning from his mistakes. [Watch ...](#) [Read ...](#)

Fighting for King and Country: Britain's Caribbean Heroes: During World War II, thousands of men and women from the Caribbean colonies volunteered to join the fight against Hitler. They tell their extraordinary stories in their own words. [Watch ...](#)

### Websites:

RAF recruits in WW2: <https://www.africansinyorkshireproject.com/raf-recruits-oswald-george-powe.html>

## Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Fear and loathing: The US travel guide to the world. The US state department really wants travelling Americans to be wary of the 'dangerous' world their country helped create. [Read more ...](#)

Two states aim to arm teachers despite opposition from educators and experts. Ohio and Louisiana are considering decreasing the requirements to arm school staff members or permitting employees to carry firearms after they fulfill the required training. [Read more ...](#)

This landmark exhibition explores femininity, feminine power and the depiction of women throughout history as commanding spiritual beings. [Read more ...](#)

How to get a better class of MP? Help mothers stand for parliament. The first recipients of the grants from Labour MP Stella Creasy's MotheRED scheme to encourage women into the Commons tell why it could help stop the rot in politics. [Read more ...](#)

Heat wave: how Orkney is leading a tidal power revolution. Strong tides make conditions in the Scottish islands ideal, but can the UK grasp the opportunity to become a leader in the sector? [Read more ...](#)

Florida's manatees are dying in record numbers – but a lawsuit offers hope. US wildlife agency agrees to review protection for habitats after conservationists sue over mass die-offs from poor water quality. [Read more ...](#)

## Other News

Patrice Lumumba: Why Belgium is returning a Congolese hero's golden tooth. A gold-crowned tooth is all that remains of assassinated Congolese independence hero Patrice Lumumba. [Read more ...](#)

Russia warns NATO-member Lithuania over Kaliningrad transit. [Read more ...](#)

UK lawyers gather evidence for action against countries over Yazidi genocide. Yazidi Justice Committee has been working privately for more than two years to show states failed to protect minority group. [Read more ...](#)

'Frankly insulting': Rwanda resents its portrayal in UK asylum row. Kigali government seeks to shift narrative with managed tours of processing facilities and accommodation for deportees. [Read more ...](#)

## Things to do ...

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July 4pm** *Exeter Digest - Food & Culture Festival* at St Sidwell's Community Centre.

[Details ...](#) [Read more ...](#)

## Books ...

Don't Blame the Blacks by George Powe (updated version). [Details ...](#)

King Leopold's Ghost: A Story of Greed, Terror and Heroism in Colonial Africa by Adam Hochschild.

[Details ...](#)

### Local News ...

Pioneering campaigner for diversity in publishing Margaret Busby and Chief Executive of Migrants Organise, Zrinka Bralo, awarded Honorary Degrees by Exeter University. [Read more ...](#)

Khaled's van plan: bringing more Syrian sunshine and soul food to Devon's streets. [Read more ...](#)

Rewinding 100 years: the Devon neighbours who united to rewild on a grand scale. A forester, a farmer and a child psychologist have formed a pioneering group to bring even more nature back to their valley. [Read more ...](#)

### Campaigns ...

**Change.org:** Don't scrap free covid testing and isolation! Many scientists and 75% of senior NHS staff don't agree with the government that the covid pandemic is all but over. [Petition ...](#)

**38degrees:** The Government must help lower our energy bills by committing proper funding to insulate households and schools and hospitals - *not* just move money from one pot to another. [Petition ...](#)

**350.org:** Deutsche Bank is fuelling the climate crisis by financing oil giants like Total and their destructive fossil fuel projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America. [Petition ...](#)

**Amnesty:** The UK government is planning to replace the Human Rights Act with a 'Bill of Rights'. This 'Bill' will seriously weaken our own rights and only make things better for those in power. [Petition ...](#)

### Campaign Updates ...

**Amnesty:** Dire day for refugees and all who care about justice. On 28th June, the government's interpretation of the definition of a refugee and the rights to which every person who is a refugee is entitled will change significantly. [Read more ...](#)

### Websites ...

Bookbag – Independent bookshop in McCoys Arcade, Exeter  
<https://bookbag.shop/>

British Future: Engaging people's hopes and fears about integration and immigration, identity and race. Working for a confident and welcoming Britain, inclusive and fair to all.  
<https://www.britishfuture.org/about-us/who-we-are/>