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Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

Tiny Caribbean island's transformation to wildlife haven. The tenacious Antiguan and Barbudans who led the metamorphosis of the country's little known third isle of Redonda are celebrating another impressive feat. [Read more ...](#)

Can planting trees really help fight climate change? Planting trees has been promoted as a method for addressing global warming, but could it do more harm than good? [Read more ...](#)

Britain could be solely powered by wind and solar. [Read more ...](#)

Green groups target France's TotalEnergies for 'climaticide' Tanzania, Uganda project. Four environmental groups have taken legal action against French giant TotalEnergies on claims of "climaticide" over a controversial oil project in Tanzania and Uganda. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

A Windrush welcome in a Balham church. [Read more ...](#)

Amazing Windrush images show moments that shaped a nation 75 years on. [Read more ...](#)

'The next days were hell': how the Yom Kippur war realigned the Middle East. Fifty years on from the surprise attack Egypt and Syria launched on Israel, what was its legacy for the region – and what was the effect on the soldiers? [Read more ...](#)

'We are alive and we are here': Chile's lost tribe celebrates long-awaited recognition. The Selk'nam were almost wiped out by colonisers in the 19th century, and for years their existence was denied. Now they hope to finally claim their rights as one of Chile's original peoples. [Read more ...](#)

Iran's jailed rights advocate Narges Mohammadi wins 2023 Nobel Peace Prize. Narges Mohammadi is honoured for her fight against 'the oppression of women' in Iran at 'tremendous personal costs'. [Read more ...](#)

Local News ...

Discover more about the fascinating work of the Exeter University's Digital Humanities team in a new display. [Read more ...](#)

Floating wind farm off Devon coast will power 135K homes. There are concerns over the impact on the region's best beaches. [Read more ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Grant Shapps praises Saudi Arabia on Women's Rights. Defence Secretary hails strategic ally's 'incredibly quick' change. [Read more ...](#)

Suella Braverman's bigoted attack on multiculturalism shouldn't blind us to its problems. To some, it's a celebration of diversity, to others, the creation of barriers. We need to be honest about the issues facing our communities. [Read more ...](#)

The brain cells linked to protection against dementia. People with an abundance of specific neurons are more likely to escape cognitive decline despite having signs of Alzheimer's in their brains. [Read more ...](#)

Original letter from Columbus announcing 'discovery' of America goes on sale for first time. The explorer is widely thought of as an exploiter today, and didn't know east from west. But a version of his boastful missive is expected to fetch up to £1.2m at auction. [Read more ...](#)

What is the Indigenous voice to parliament, how would it work, and what happens next? Here's what we know so far about how the Albanese government hopes to enshrine an Indigenous voice in Australia's constitution via a referendum. [Read more ...](#)

The bicibús: how Barcelona got kids cycling safely to school – and loving it! In the city's fast-moving traffic, the bicibús (bike bus) provides sanctuary for cycling children – and turns the school run into a party. [Read more ...](#)

Watch and listen ...

BBC Two *Union with David Olusoga* National identity, social class, inequality. David Olusoga shines a light on our fractured modern society through the lens of the past, exposing the fault lines dividing the UK. [Watch ...](#)

Things to do ...

Tuesday 10th October to Sunday 22nd October at Exeter Phoenix: *Food on Film Season*. [Details ...](#)

Thursday, 12 October 7:00 pm *Frontline voices on the impacts of tree burning in UK power stations and how to take action* – webinar organised by Biofuelwatch. [Details ...](#)

Tuesday 24th October 8pm to 9pm *Black Victorians: Hidden in History* [Details ...](#)

Websites...

Break Free from Plastic: The global movement envisioning a future free from plastic pollution. <https://www.breakfreefromplastic.org/>

Wild Card: As the climate and extinction crisis worsens, we're setting our long-term vision on 50% of the country being rewilded. In 2021, Wild Card launched a campaign to encourage three of the biggest landowners in the UK to take action.

<https://www.wildcard.land/>

Campaigns ...

Change.org: Hold Supermarkets Accountable For Single Use Plastic Packaging. [Petition ...](#)

War on Want: Morocco has been illegally occupying Western Sahara for nearly 50 years. Over 30 years ago the people of Western Sahara were promised self-determination, in the form of a referendum, in which they would choose between independence and integration with Morocco. [Details ...](#)

Campaigns Updates ...

Amnesty: Iran/UK: release of jailed conservationist Morad Tahbaz is 'huge relief'. [Read more ...](#)

Medical Aid for Palestinians: MAP staff member joins Palestine's first football team for people of short stature. [Read more ...](#)

Amnesty: Time to revoke death penalty for social media dissent, UN experts urge. [Read more ...](#)

Everyday Plastic: Plastic Legends vs. Laggards! [Read more ...](#)

Fairtrade: October 1st was International Coffee Day. Across the world we drink 2 billion cups of coffee daily, supported by a lucrative global coffee industry worth over \$100 billion. Yet the average non-Fairtrade coffee farmer lives on as little as £1.37 a day. [Read more ...](#)

Amnesty: Sudan: War crimes rampant as civilians killed in both deliberate and indiscriminate attacks. [Read more ...](#)