



# DDE Newsletter No. 166

## Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

Environment charity bids to encircle London in 'M25 for nature'. CPRE London hopes to surround capital in trees by weaving existing areas of green belt in outer boroughs. [Read more ...](#)

Limitless 'white' hydrogen under our feet may soon shatter all energy assumptions. There's a real possibility that vast reserves of this clean fuel can be extracted at competitive costs. [Read more ...](#)

'Miracle material' smashes solar panel efficiency threshold. Breakthrough paves way for mass-production of ultra-efficient perovskite solar cells. [Read more ...](#)

Uganda oil pipeline has 'devastated' livelihoods, says HRW. The pipeline, which has previously been criticised by environmental activists and rights groups, passes through multiple ecologically sensitive areas in Uganda. [Read more ...](#)

Colombia deforestation plummets as peace efforts focus on rainforest. Official figures show deforestation fell 26% in Colombian Amazon last year and 29% nationwide'. [Read more ...](#)

## Other News

Ghanaian children wrongly taken in raids backed by US charity IJM. Ghanaian children have been taken from their homes in an operation backed by one of the world's leading anti-slavery organisations, according to a BBC Africa Eye investigation. [Read more ...](#)

'I wanted vengeance': Tibet's last resistance fighter. Tibet was communist China's first conquest and now, Tibetans are working to tell the story of how they resisted Beijing. [Read more ...](#)

'It's pillage': thirsty Uruguayans decry Google's plan to exploit water supply. Country suffering its worst drought in 74 years, with government even mixing saltwater into drinking supply. [Read more ...](#)

'There are many hidden Muslim gems in London's history'. AbdulMaalik Tailor, the founder of Muslim History Tours, is on a mission to show everyone an often-ignored side of the UK capital. [Read more ...](#)

### Local News ...

Immersive sound story inspired by National Trust river restoration project to be launched at the British Library. [Read more ...](#)

New homeless pods installed near Exeter city centre. They helped 15 people get off the streets last year. [Read more ...](#)

## Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Lord's Prayer opening may be 'problematic', says archbishop. Archbishop of York tells General Synod that 'Our Father' has patriarchal connotations. [Read more ...](#)

The Blackfeet Are Freeing Wild Bison Back Onto Native Lands After Centuries Of Devastation. The tribe appears to be the first to release the animals onto territory bordering federal public land. [Read more ...](#)

Stuck at Prom: LA teen shows off duct tape dress that could win her \$10k in national competition. [Read more ...](#)

Beavers released by National Trust to regenerate land ravaged by climate change. Family of four 'ecosystem engineers' expected to transform landscape by storing water. [Read more ...](#)

### Things to do ...

**Monday 31st July 7pm to 8:30pm** *Make Polluters Pay Action Day - Local Action Workshop* – Online workshop organised by The Make Polluters Pay coalition (with Global Justice Now). [Details ...](#)

**Until June 2024** *Pardner Hand: A Caribbean answer to British banking exclusion* - an exhibition by Museumand, The National Caribbean Heritage Museum at Bank of England Museum. [Details ...](#)  
First-hand accounts from people who has used Pardner Hand. [Details ...](#)

### Campaigns ....

**Global Justice Now:** Pharmaceutical companies are looking to overhaul a key NHS pricing deal which prevents the drugs bill from spiralling out of control. [Petition ...](#)

**Rainforest Rescue:** Don't let big polluters off the hook. Say no to carbon offsets! The EU debate on rules for carbon removals is focused on carbon offsetting which will further fuel climate chaos. [Petition ...](#)

### Campaigns Updates ...

**Medical Aid for Palestinians:** MAP calls for accountability as Israeli military attack on Jenin ends. [Read more ...](#)

**Global Justice Now:** Big drug firms accused of 'ripping off NHS with £12 billion excess profits'. [Read more ...](#)

**Union of Concerned Scientists:** The Disinformation Playbook: How Business Interests Deceive, Misinform, and Buy Influence at the Expense of Public Health and Safety. [Read more ...](#) (this is an old article but may be worth re-reading).