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### Editorial: Summer is Coming

It's going to be a long, hot Summer in more ways than one. The last few years of exceptionally hot weather have been during a La Nina period, when the Earth's temperature is supposed to be lower than average. This Spring we move into an El Nino upswing, with ferocious heat spikes demonstrating the warning that, unless we act faster and more profoundly, the 1.5C limit will slip beyond our grasp. **This should be a klaxon going off in all our heads demanding action.**

Three out of every four people say that they want that faster, deeper transition to save our futures, so every mobilisation, from XR's "Big One" on 21 April onwards, should seek to express that majority.

At the same time, we should make it explicit in our union campaigns, on every leaflet and every platform in the Spring and Summer wave of strikes being driven by the cost of living crisis, that it is driven by the increased costs of fossil fuel energy, for heating, cooking and transport; with knock on effects on food and everything else, so that our movement is putting forward solutions for the whole of society as well as defending our members.

With the climate crisis so severe, there is no prospect of a return to any kind of "normal". We are not in the Holocene any more.

The government recognises that in all the wrong ways; and is moving to try to break union capacity for effective strike action, criminalise protest and suppress votes; the sort of measures that pre war Romanian playwright Ion Ionescu described as "the rhinocerosation of the state".

All of which we have to resist. The electric atmosphere on the Strike demos on 1 February is a sign that a new solidarity is being forged, new connections and networks built; and the government should be worried.

Paul Atkin Ed



### Quote of the Month

*"Something is fundamentally wrong with our economic and financial system,"*

Antonio Gutierrez  
Secretary Genral United Nations

## Coming Up

Thanks to legal action by FOE and Client Earth, by the end of March the government has to update its Climate Action Plan so that its actions are in line with its targets.

This is likely to be informed by the Skidmore Review that recommended a rapid unblocking of onshore wind and solar, a long term commitment to funding for retrofit, a strong push for heat pumps for domestic heating (with hydrogen confined to key industrial roles) and “new nuclear”. He did not propose a block on new oil and gas exploration in the North Sea and envisages that the scale of insulation needed will be carried out primarily by “small firms”. We will be discussing this at the GJA AGM next month with one of the FOE legal team (see below).

Whatever the government cherry picks out of this curate’s egg, the British Volt debacle is a warning that, with the US Federal providing companies with a \$600 million grant for new EV battery factories, the EU looking like it will follow suit, and China already producing 77% of the world’s EV batteries, without significant state investment the prospect for domestic battery manufacture looks bleak, with a potential knock on effect to the entire car industry. The next Newsletter will carry as many articles as we can on this sector.

The TUC decision to advertise for 1.5 Green Bargaining Officers for each TUC Region - job ads coming soon - will be a crucial addition to union capacity in pushing for a transition; and for it to be just.

More on this in the next Newsletter too.

Next Month, Platform will be publishing a devastating assessment of energy production in the North Sea.

Please sign up for future editions to keep on top of info and debates in the movement. *Ed*

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## GJA Annual General Meeting

**Annual General Meeting**  
**Tuesday 14 March 2023, 11.00-13.00**

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## ITUC report shows big economic returns for modest investment in green economy

A new ITUC study shows that stepping up public investments can have significant positive impacts on employment and overall economic growth in emerging economies.

- An extra 1% of GDP investment in the green economy over five years would yield an average GDP increase of 10%, as well as a 7.5% increase in total employment levels.

At the global level, trade unions are calling for the creation of 575 million jobs and the formalisation of at least one billion informal jobs by 2030, to enable delivery of the United Nations’ 2030 Agenda commitment for full employment and decent work under Sustainable Development Goal 8.

[Full Report here.](#)



Fishermen pray for a benevolent sea. Dublar Island, Bangladesh. Photo Credit: Rodney Dekker / Climate Visuals

# Environmental Audit Committee Recommends Faster Transition

***The Government has to respond to these recommendations by the end of March. Ed***

The Report notes that the UK dependence on fossil fuels for 78% of its energy —to heat homes, fuel vehicles and generate over a third of its electricity- *“has left the country exposed to the biggest global fossil fuel price shock since the 1970s”*.

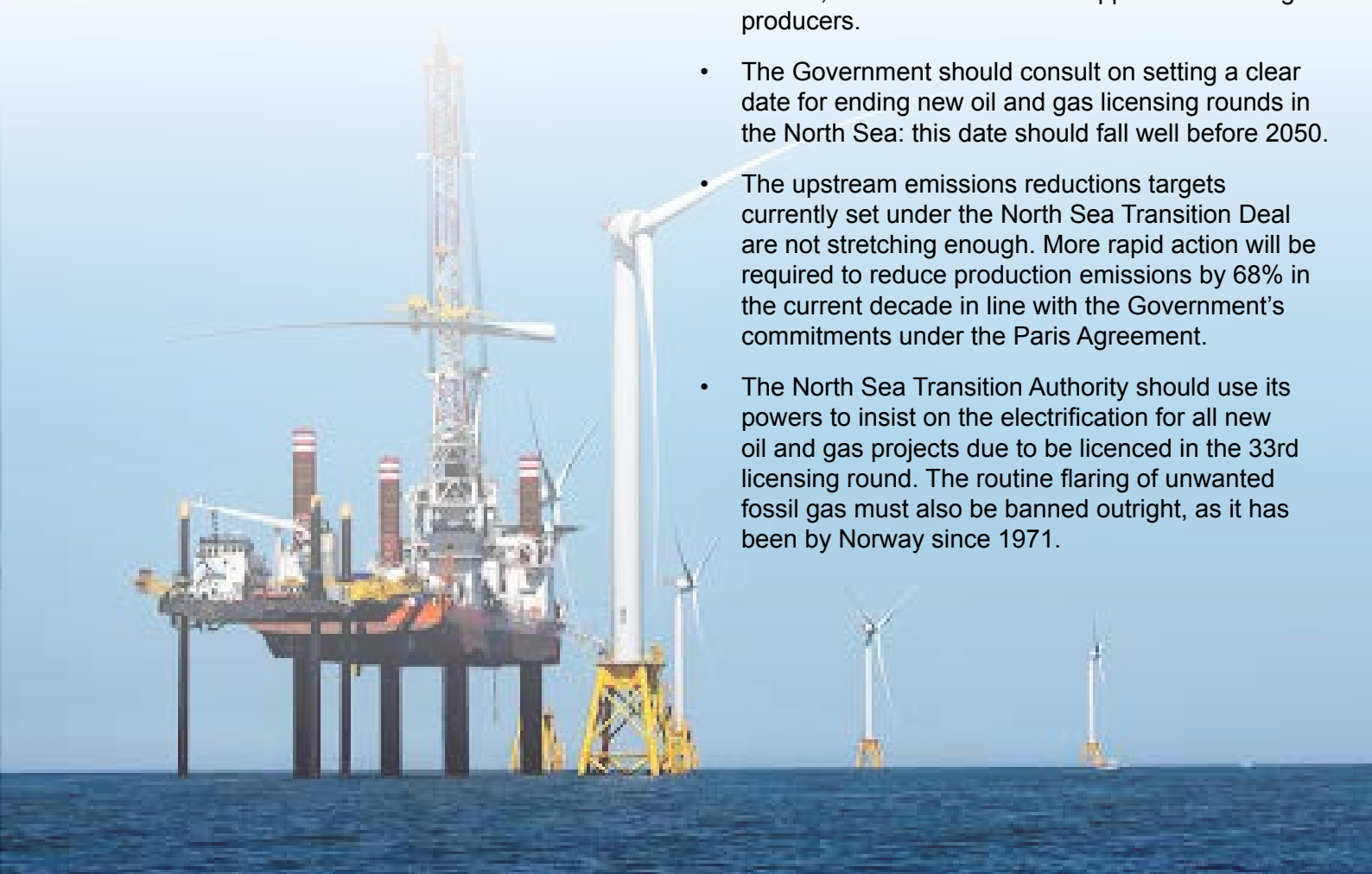
They note that there are significant gaps in the Government’s Energy Security Strategy and argue that it should have placed far greater emphasis on energy saving measures and boosting energy efficiency, and included the transport sector and stress that,

*“Ministers missed a crucial window of opportunity during the warmer months to accelerate energy efficiency measures that could permanently protect UK citizens from the impact of volatile oil and gas prices. The number of energy efficiency installations in 2022 compares poorly with figures from Government backed energy efficiency schemes eight to ten years ago.”*

They welcome the Chancellor’s target to reduce energy demand by 15% by 2030 but note that those in fuel poverty cannot afford three winters of delay and that “it is a false economy” to hold back the £6bn promised in future energy efficiency funding at a time when households are struggling and billions are being spent to subsidise energy bills.

They recommend,

- The Chancellor should allocate a proportion of the Energy Profits Levy revenue to bringing forward this energy efficiency funding now to fulfil the Government’s manifesto commitment to invest £9 billion in energy efficiency.
- Upgrading homes to Energy Performance Certificate C or above must be treated as a national priority.
- The short-term potential of onshore wind and the long-term potential of tidal power were not given as much focus as other technologies so the Government should set stated ambitions for onshore wind and tidal energy in gigawatts of generating capacity as it has for other low-carbon technologies like solar, offshore wind and nuclear.
- The Treasury should examine how a low-carbon investment allowance could be introduced for electricity producers paying the new temporary tax of 45%, similar to the one that applies to oil and gas producers.
- The Government should consult on setting a clear date for ending new oil and gas licensing rounds in the North Sea: this date should fall well before 2050.
- The upstream emissions reductions targets currently set under the North Sea Transition Deal are not stretching enough. More rapid action will be required to reduce production emissions by 68% in the current decade in line with the Government’s commitments under the Paris Agreement.
- The North Sea Transition Authority should use its powers to insist on the electrification for all new oil and gas projects due to be licenced in the 33rd licensing round. The routine flaring of unwanted fossil gas must also be banned outright, as it has been by Norway since 1971.



*Image: The final rotor blade is slowly lifted by an offshore crane for installation to the fifth and final wind turbine of North America’s first commercial offshore wind farm, Block Island Wind Farm, off Rhode Island, USA. AS there, so here...Joan Sullivan / Climate Visuals*

## Joint Education Union Heatwave Protocol

Heatwaves are becoming more and more common as a result of the climate crisis. The DfE's response to last July's heatwave was poor. In response the NEU joined with the 8 other unions representing education staff to publish a **Joint Union Heatwave Protocol** to prepare for future heatwaves,

- so that learning is disrupted as little as possible
- and the health, safety and welfare of staff and pupils are protected.

Now is the perfect time for employers and reps/health and safety reps to start proactively planning to manage extreme heat this summer. The protocol, endorsed by all education unions ( ASCL, Community, GMB, NAHT, NASUWT, NEU, UCU, Unite and Unison) and taking account of guidance from the DfE, Acas and the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) is packed full of practical suggestions for ensuring a more comfortable working environment.

Please share with education union reps/health and safety reps and put on the agenda for JNCs.

*Sarah Lyons NEU*



Photo: flickr.com/photos/aboyandhisbike/

## Disappointing government disappoints again - and again it WILL cost lives

In the jumble of a need for action on a range of environmental issues, the UK leaving the European Union and our all-too often fanatical de-regulation driven government we surprisingly got a new Environment Act in 2021. It covers air, water, our outdoor environment, waste, recycling, a whole swathe of issues.

What it didn't do was set standards, notably for air quality, water, biodiversity, and waste reduction. Campaigners had been lobbying hard for the government to set those standards to the best that expert bodies such as the World Health Organisation (WHO) recommend. They didn't. Instead they extended the pain by consulting on what those targets should be, even though they'd already been told.

Unsurprisingly the targets set out in the government's consultation on air quality did not meet WHO standard for airborne particulates which cause lung diseases, cancers, pregnancy issues. Analysis of the responses to the consultation shows:

- only 8% agreed with their proposals and 90% disagreed. This is out of a total of 13,048 responses.
- 94% of respondents (out of 11,844 to this question) disagreed with the proposed target due to a general lack of ambition
- 33% said that the proposed ambition is too low to improve health outcomes
- 33% also suggested they could be met earlier
- 6% called for a more ambitious concentration than 10ug/m<sup>3</sup>

Again, unsurprisingly this government chose to ignore those responses and did what they were always going to do.

Responding to the government's announcement of new air pollution targets, Sarah Woolnough, CEO at Asthma + Lung UK, said: *"Air pollution is a public health emergency which causes 36,000 premature deaths in the UK every year. Having new legal targets to reduce pollution levels puts us on a path towards cleaner air, however that path is set to be much longer than we had hoped."*

*Despite a valiant effort from our supporters and other charities across the sector, the government has not listened to our calls to bring forward its compliance date and instead will ask MPs to vote on their proposals to make our air cleaner by 2040. This falls far short of what's needed – it means that for another 18 years children will be forced to live, learn and play in toxic levels of air pollution.*

*The government has been dragging its heels on tackling air pollution for too long. Now, by proposing to delay compliance until 2040, we fear a new generation will be condemned to breathe in air so dirty it can stunt lung growth, cause lung conditions like cancer and trigger existing conditions including asthma. It's disappointing the government could not be more ambitious, but the fight is not over. With these new targets now published*

*we hope the government will devise a plan on how we can reach the targets as quickly as possible and introduce bolder interim targets.”*

*Among the new targets is a reduced limit on fine particulate matter — PM2.5 — with maximum levels of 10 µg/m<sup>3</sup> set to be imposed by 2040. Although significantly lower than current legislation demands, this is still double the highest acceptable concentrations recommended by the World Health Organisation.*

*“After months of dithering on its supposedly ‘world-leading’ targets, the Government is announcing an air pollution reduction goal with a deadline of 2040 — that’s a shocking 17 years away. Meanwhile, another generation of children will be exposed to toxic pollution far above what the world’s top scientists think is acceptable”, said Andrea Lee, clean air campaigner at ClientEarth.*

*Campaign group Mums For Lungs also said: “The targets are weak and it is clear our leaders are still not committed to protecting the health of our children, who are especially vulnerable to air pollution when their lungs are growing.”*

*“The World Health Organization (WHO) guidelines ... state concentrations of PM2.5 should not exceed 5 micrograms per m<sup>3</sup> on average over a year. However, the UK government has chosen to ignore the health experts and has set a target of 10 micrograms per m<sup>3</sup>, twice as high as the WHO recommends, and state that this weaker target does not need to be reached for another 17 years.”*

Just before the new standards were announced, Chris Whitty’s Chief Medical Officer annual report 2022 underlines the need for action on outdoor and indoor air pollution and its effect on health and makes 15 recommendations across a range of sectors, including transport, urban planning, industry and agriculture. The report’s recommendations on outdoor air pollution highlight:

- accelerating the electrification of light vehicles and public transport
- innovation to reduce air pollution from non-exhaust sources such as tyres, and the need for a greater range of options for reducing air pollution from heavy and specialised vehicles
- local urban planning should support reducing air pollution locally such as reducing air pollution near schools and healthcare settings
- in agriculture, ammonia air pollution emissions could be reduced through modified farming practices, such as applying slurry directly to soil.

So mixed messages from the government and its experts. There’s a real, serious need for quick, strong action now... but 2040’ll do.

**It won’t. It will cost lives.**

*Mick Holder, TUCAN*

## Campaign for Ella's Law

Ella Roberta Adoo Kissi-Debrah died aged nine from acute respiratory failure, severe asthma and air pollution exposure. She was the first person to have air pollution identified as a medical cause of death on her death certificate.

Ella's Law is what people are calling the Clean Air (Human Rights) Bill, introduced to Parliament in May 2022. This aims to protect the public against air pollution which contributes to tens of thousands of premature deaths in the UK and would establish a right to clean air.

There are lots of ways to support the campaign for Ella's Law.

- [Sign and share the petition here](#)
- [Write to your MP](#) to tell them why you expect them to back Ella's Law as it goes through Parliament.
- Post on social media about why Ella's Law is so important. Perhaps mention how air pollution has affected your own health, or that of someone close to you. Use the hashtags **#EllasLaw** and **#CleanAirHRBill**.
- Find out about the air quality around your home or workplace, and post about it on your social media. You can put in your postcode and get an instant indication of the air quality in your area using the [postcode tool here](#). Take a screenshot of the read-out and post it on your social media.'

Sarah Lyons NEU



## London Labour Policy on Housing Retrofit

This motion, proposed initially by GJA supporters in Tooting and Islington was passed by the London Labour Party Conference at the end of January and is now Party policy in the capital; which will be helpful for climate campaigners and trades unionists pushing for retrofits by local authorities.

London's housing stock is responsible for around a third of all carbon emissions in the capital, while 80% of all London homes expected to exist in 2050 have already been built. Home retrofitting is therefore an imperative for addressing climate change. London, along with the rest of UK, faces multiple crises – energy prices, cost of living, poverty, climate, and health.

A retrofit programme would help with these by making homes more energy efficient, lowering bills and keeping people warm. Around 15% of the UK's carbon emissions – 68 million tonnes – comes directly from homes. The UK housing stock is also the least energy efficient in Europe and in many areas of London over 20% of households live in fuel poverty. Retrofitting would help tackle inequality and climate change plus boosting training and employment.

We call on the LLP to:

- Support a retrofit campaign based on coordinated action led by local authorities and engaging with employers, unions, education providers – in particular Further Education Colleges - and community organisations.
- Support every London local authority in establishing a retrofit task force to develop a housing and building strategy consistent with their climate emergency and net zero plans.
- Develop a programme that invests in Local Authority Repairs teams or Direct Labour Organisations and ensures good quality employment, training/ apprenticeships in retrofitting its council housing stock, beginning with the fuel poverty council estates.
- Work with groups such as Greener Jobs Alliance, Fuel Poverty Action Group and Trades Unions to develop a London-wide programme for insulating and retrofitting homes.



*Retrofitted homes with external wall insulation, high efficiency heating and glazing, and solar panels on the roof.  
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# Debate:

## Increased military spending risks people and planet

Just last month scientists again moved the hands of the Doomsday Clock even closer to midnight, citing the escalating crisis in Ukraine. This followed its stark warning last year that the world faces an existential threat from both climate catastrophe and nuclear war.

These warnings make the TUC's decision to overturn its defence diversification policy and advocate a strategy to rebuild Britain's manufacturing industry based on increased defence spending even more shocking. Such a strategy undermines the cause of public sector workers striking to secure decent wages and working conditions.

Predicated on an aggressive foreign policy, it results in an acceleration of the arms race, in which British-made weapons are killing hundreds of thousands of civilians – including children - across the globe. And it's led to the dangerous expansion of nuclear weapons, including the upgrading of Trident, Britain's fleet of nuclear submarines, and increasing the number of deadly nuclear warheads.

It also undermines the urgent fight to cut carbon emissions, by redirecting government spending away from climate action and into the military – the most carbon-emitting 'industry' in the world.

The Tories have consistently failed to meet any of their emissions reduction targets and the Lords' Industry and Regulators Committee has cited funding as a key problem. Yet last year, the government found £2.3bn for military aid to Ukraine, has committed the same level this year, and plans to 'inflation-proof' defence spending, increasing it to £50bn. *(Continued)*



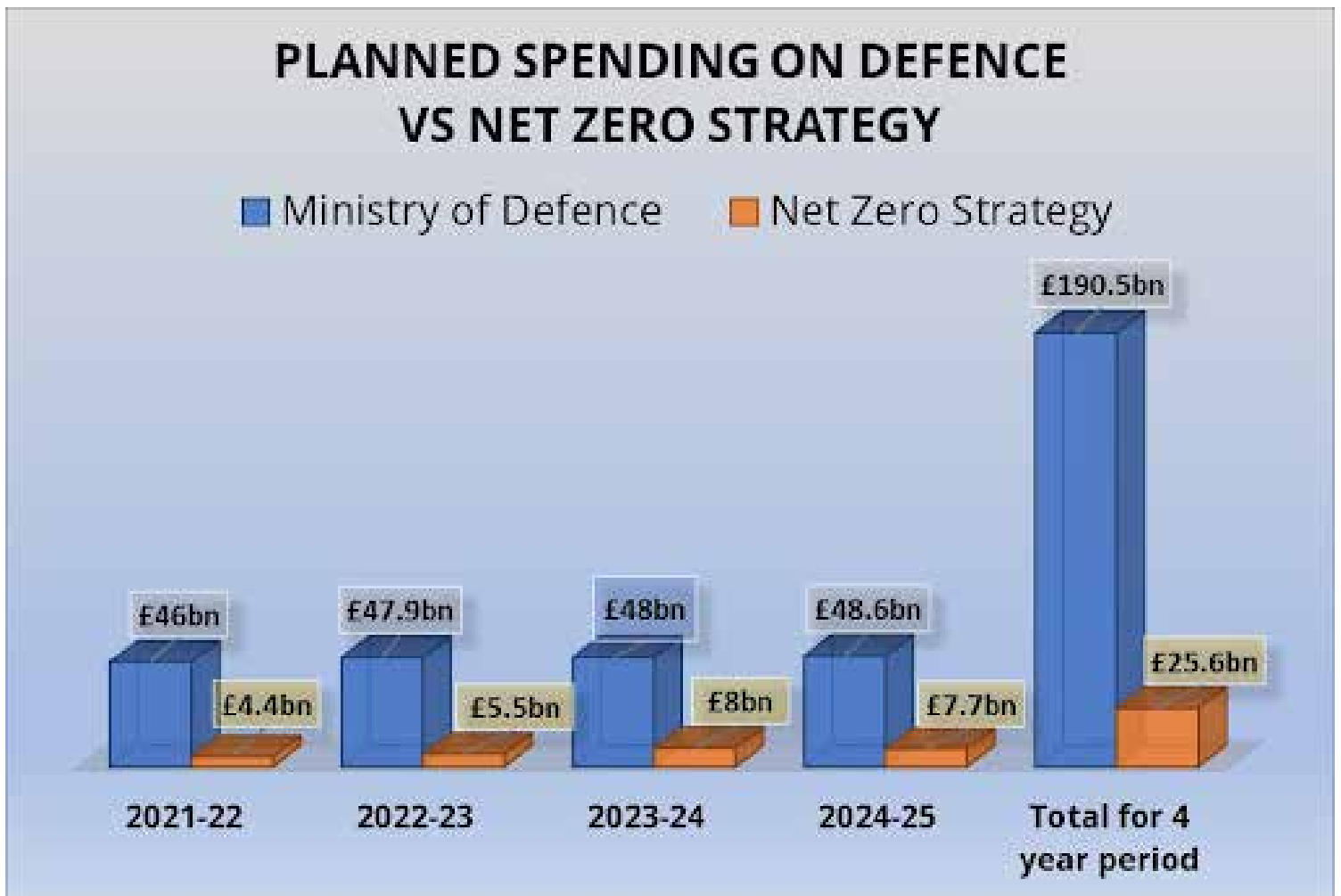
Trying to capture the scale of the military footprint is very difficult. Many governments oppose monitoring military emissions because of concerns it will hamper foreign policy. After lobbying by governments like the US and Britain, military emissions reporting was made voluntary in the 2015 Paris Agreement.

Scientists for Global Responsibility estimate the military carbon footprint is approximately 5.5% of global emissions, meaning the military industry accounts for the fourth highest carbon emissions in the world. The US military is the substantial part of this, with research it to be the 'largest single institutional consumer of hydrocarbons in the world'.

And as weaponry becomes more powerful, it more intensively consumes fossil fuels. The US's latest F35a fighter jets, designed to launch a new satellite-guided nuclear bomb, the B61-12, uses 60 percent more fuel than its predecessor, creating greater carbon emissions. These jets are taking part in military exercises right now, awaiting delivery of the new nuclear bombs to NATO bases across the world, including here in Britain at Lakenheath. And on top of this growing, and unaccountable carbon footprint, nuclear weapons present the ultimate climate catastrophe. Experts say even a limited nuclear attack would kill millions, and create a nuclear winter in which cloudstorms would block out the sun for decades, causing crops to fail and creating a global famine.

And even without a single nuclear bomb being dropped, the nuclear industry is poisoning people and the planet. Uranium used as fuel in both nuclear power plants and nuclear weapons, causes cancers in those forced to mine this toxic metal and contaminates whole aquatic ecosystems. Nuclear accidents like the explosion of Fukushima, the Japanese nuclear power station in 2011, released toxic radiation into the atmosphere and radioactive water into the Pacific Ocean.

Channelling investment into renewables and away from defence is in the interests of working people across the world. Britain needs to create jobs that tackle the urgent threats we face from the climate crisis instead of dragging us closer to nuclear annihilation.



Source: HM Treasury (2021) Prepared by Dr Stuart Parkinson, co-chair UK branch of Global Campaign on Military Spending & Executive Director of Scientists for Global Responsibility

Sophie Bolt Vice Chair CND



## PCS National Climate Week 17 - 21 April

PCS held its national green forum in November last year and one of the actions arising was to hold a PCS National Climate Week. This has now been agreed by the National Executive and will take place from 17 to 21 April.

The aim of the week is to raise awareness among our membership on climate and environmental issues, and why this is a trade union issue. For example by highlighting how the energy, climate and cost of living crises connect to issues of low pay, and therefore are central to our wider industrial aims. It is being timed to coincide with Earth day on 22nd April, and the Extinction Rebellion “The Big One” event in central London.

Another focus will be the launch of a number of resources to include updated negotiators guidance for green reps, policy briefs and practical information on addressing issues of climate change and the environment in the workplace. Branches, regions and nations are being encouraged to organise one event during the week.

It is intended that we will then run this on an annual basis and welcome any support from other unions who may be interested to run a joint initiative during the week. Full details will be available on our website in the coming weeks.

*Sam Mason*

### Obituary: Carla Lipsig Mummé

Professor of Work and Labour Studies at York University, Toronto, Canada died on Friday January 20th, 2023. Carla was a good friend to the Greener Jobs Alliance and trade unions generally as well as to the environment. She led the Work and Labour Studies programme at York and the Global Labour Research Centre, bringing together trade unions and academics to conduct research on work and justice for workers.

From 2010 she directed the Work in a Warming World (W3) project, which produced papers, presentations, and videos, including the books *Climate and Work*, edited by Carla and published in 2013 and *Work in a Warming World*, edited by Carla and Stephen McBride and published in 2015.

From 2014 Carla led the Adapting Canadian Work and Workplaces (ACW) programme, whose many partners included the Canadian Labour Congress, Canadian Union of Postal Workers, the Council of Black Trade Unionists, the US Labor Network for Sustainability, the National Union of Public and General Employees, United Steelworkers, and the European Trade Union Institute.

This consisted of

- numerous research projects, including on environmental racism, just transition, and the green transition in the built environment,
- as well as three important databases on: green collective agreement clauses, union green training and education programmes; and green trade union initiatives in US and Europe.

We are fortunate that all the outcomes of ACW and W3—the reports, databases, presentations and videos - have been permanently archived and are available [here](#).

Carla came from a union family and began her working life as a union organiser for garment workers in the US before becoming a researcher for Québec’s central union (CSQ). Her foremost concerns were always labour and organising, climate change and work, young workers, and the social impact of global warming. Her pioneering work will have a lasting impact and her warmth and friendship will be sorely missed.

*Linda Clarke: University of Westminster*



*Image Carla receiving a prize in Ottawa in 2018 from Julie Payette, former Governor General of Canada, for her work on the ACW project.*

## Universities banning Fossil Fuel Companies from Careers Services

All across the UK, the presence of fossil fuel industry recruiters in our universities has become utterly normalised. They are so commonplace at careers fairs, so regularly promoted as a prestigious career option to graduates, that they have become part of the fabric of a modern university.

Until late last year, there wasn't a single university that took issue with the world's biggest climate villains recruiting on campus. Every single UK university was operating with an 'open door' policy to fossil fuel company recruiters, and so the world's largest oil companies – Shell, BP, Equinor, Total, and others – have had free access to generations of student talent.

By inviting fossil fuel industry recruiters to careers fairs, directly advertising their vacancies to students, and encouraging them to put on networking events, universities are actively assisting the industries most responsible for climate injustice with graduate recruitment. They are providing material assistance to the world's biggest polluters.

But the ground is shifting: In September 2022, Birkbeck, University of London, passed a world-first Ethical Careers Policy. This was a formal commitment to end all fossil fuel recruitment on campus. This was swiftly followed by similar action at three more universities by the end of 2022: Wrexham Glyndwr University, University of the Arts London, and the University of Bedfordshire.

So what has changed to make the previously unthinkable, suddenly possible? Over the last year, a student-led campaign 'Fossil Free Careers' has emerged, organised and embedded in the student movement by the campaigning charity People & Planet. Students are demanding that their universities stop propping up the oil, gas, and mining industries, and have started organising in massive numbers to kick fossil fuel industry recruiters off their campus.

There are now active campaigns in over 30 universities across the UK, and 12 Student Unions (representing over 275,000 students) are now boycotting extractive industry recruitment. The campaign has been backed by the National Union of Students, endorsed by the

University & College Union (UCU), and backed at a local level by multiple UCU branches. The four full campaign victories achieved so far set a powerful precedent that is being noticed all over the world.

More and more local campaign groups are starting up each month, inspired by the success we've had and keen to fight for climate justice at their university. This is a campaign we can win all over. But more importantly, it is one that has a major impact every time we do win. The fossil fuel industry is already struggling to recruit young graduates, and is increasingly reliant on its cosy relationships with UK universities. If we can close off the recruitment pipelines from universities into fossil fuel companies, then we can really weaken the power of the industry.

But the only way we will win is through the joint power of students and staff. Student and staff unions have been longstanding allies in the fight for climate action, and this is a crucial struggle for us to come together to win. If you're a union worker, NGO worker or university worker, you can support the work of the Fossil Free Careers campaign - get in touch at [fossilfreecareers@peopleandplanet.org](mailto:fossilfreecareers@peopleandplanet.org) Fergus Green, Climate Campaign Officer at People & Planet.

- For more on the Fossil Free Careers campaign, click [here](#)
- For the full list of Student Unions that have endorsed the campaign, click [here](#)
- For more on the four full campaign victories achieved so far, click [here](#)
- For more on the fossil fuel industry struggling to recruit students, click [here](#)
- For the full details of current university policies, click [here](#)



## TUC Climate Objectives

We are campaigning for

1. A climate and jobs action plan in every workplace - negotiated with workers and their unions.
2. Government investment in future-proofing our infrastructure, industries and jobs.
3. A national Just Transition Commission to make sure that the transition leaves no worker behind.
4. Climate action led by the public sector: our town councils, health services, education institutions, and public energy companies.
5. Policies that protect jobs against offshoring.
6. Statutory rights for environmental reps in the workplace.

Every country, every town, every workplace needs a plan to get us to a zero carbon economy on time. Done right, this transition could mean good jobs, cleaner air and warmer homes for all. But unless the government acts fast and invests big, we risk missing science-based targets and losing good, unionised jobs in industries like steel, chemicals, and car manufacturing. The future of over 600,000 manufacturing and supply chain jobs in

Britain depends on timely and worker-friendly climate action.

We need a green recovery that delivers a timely and just transition, including an £85 billion infrastructure investment to create 1.24 million green jobs in the UK over two years.

We are building a network of union reps and active members who want to take climate action in the workplace and future-proof jobs. Sign up to hear about our events and training, and connect to other reps and active members in your region.

[Sign up here](#)



Photo: Alisdare Hickson flickr.com/photos/alisdare/

## Newsflash: people who like Corporate Jets discovered

The climate crisis may be the world's foremost concern, posing an existential threat to all of humanity, but not apparently in the halls of Corporate Jet Investor, who are hosting a major conference as this newsletter goes to press. We'd encourage you to check the details of the event at [www.corporatejetinvestor.com/event/london-2023/](http://www.corporatejetinvestor.com/event/london-2023/)



Photo: Victor flickr.com/photos/vic\_206/

*"Greenpeace claimed the event increased flight activity in the area by around 1,000 extra flights. The joint letter said these reports are based on incorrect assumptions about the number of movements and the calculation of regular traffic, making the case that airports surrounding Davos are popular business aircraft destinations year-round."*

Our italics: and shame on Greenpeace for their massive underestimate of the amount of destructive flying this egregious sector inflicts on us. Truly, you couldn't make this up.

Tahir Latif

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to test your powers of incredulity to the limit.

GJA particularly likes this paragraph, under their sustainability tag, in response to the Greenpeace report on Davos/World Economic Forum:

# Courses

## Workers as agents of a green and socially just transformation: How to analyse the environmental footprint of a work process and develop alternatives.

This course is part of a research project funded by the Swedish research council FORTE and entitled: **Workers as agents of a green and socially just transition**

The goal of the course is to support workers to analyse the environmental impact of their workplace and to create alternatives that are ecologically and socially just. The idea is to publish the results of these courses to show that and how workers have the skills and capabilities to be the agents of the transformative changes our societies need.

The results will be published in a Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) in English, Spanish, and Swedish that will be accessible internationally for free.

It will provide methods about how to include workers into transformation processes by presenting the main developments of the courses we will have conducted in three different countries, the problems that may have come up and ways to overcome them.

The workers attending the course we are offering as part of the project can come from any sector of the economy. It is offered for free. The project can also provide travel costs and accommodation costs (including meals) for the participants where needed.

*Prof. Dr Nora Räthzel, Umeå University, Sweden*  
([nora.rathzel@umu.se](mailto:nora.rathzel@umu.se))

With the TUC Wales we have now agreed dates for the course. It will take place at the Holiday Inn in Cardiff on the 26 and 27 of June and 3 and 4 July. The course has 20 places and is free including food and accommodation. We are creating a waiting list in case the TUC Wales cannot fill all the 20 places, everybody is welcome. Condition: It must be people working at any kind of workplace. Apply to [wtuc@tuc.org.uk](mailto:wtuc@tuc.org.uk)

## Good Green Jobs for All. Wales TUC Roundtable 16 Feb

As Wales embarks on a pathway towards a low carbon economy, already many industries are moving away from reliance on fossil fuels and taking steps towards reducing carbon emissions. The future of Wales must be one that is cleaner, greener and more fair for everyone. But what does a 'just transition' mean, and how do we ensure that everyone benefits?

Climate Cymru are hosting a roundtable discussion to bring together people working in relevant sectors, from transport and energy to trade unions and environmental groups.

Together, we will hear best practice on creating a pathway towards a low carbon future, and gather evidence to present to the Welsh Government's consultation on Just Transition to Net Zero Wales.

[Register here](#)

## Safe Landing

**Safe Landing: Register for our workshop.**

Thursday, February 16th 2023  
at 15:00-17:00 GMT

The aviation industry is currently facing big challenges to reduce its environmental impact. Aviation workers are speaking up and developing their own vision of the future for air travel and the prospects for a worker-driven transformation of the sector.

We invite aviation workers to a conversation about their future and job security in a world of climate crisis. The event, hosted by Safe Landing and Transport & Environment (T&E) will include various speakers and an opportunity to connect, discuss and strategise with like-minded aviation workers across various countries.

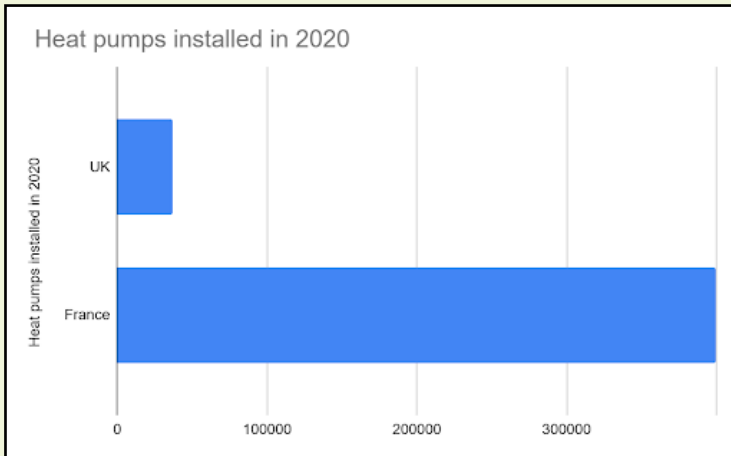
[Register here](#). See you on the 16 Feb!



# Green Bites

## Graphics of the Month

If France can do it, why can't we?



Government green heating scheme off to slow start - BBC News

## STATS of the Month

**£675 billion**

The market crash faced by UK from stranded fossil fuel assets. **Eddie**

**\$1.1 trillion**

Invested in low-carbon energy generation and innovation, plus energy efficiency in 2022, up by a third from 2021. Bloomberg/NEF

**£7.2 billion**

The additional costs on energy bills from determining electricity bills from wholesale gas prices. **Eddie**

# GreenerJobsAlliance

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Tuesday 14 March 2023**  
**11.00 - 13.00**

**Guest speakers on Net Zero court decision** (*Niall Toru, Friends of the Earth*), a *National Climate Service* (*Hannah David, PCS*), *Green Bargaining Officers* (*Anna Markova, TUC*) and more to be confirmed.

Q&A, discussion, debate, plan of action for 2023

Hybrid meeting, in person at UCU HQ, Carlow Street Camden and online

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