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**Hi everyone**

UoM Climate Network Meeting

We’ll be holding another event (Title TBC) on **Thursday 2nd September 2021 at 1pm-2pm**; everyone is welcome to join.

Time: Sep 2, 2021 1:00 PM London

<https://zoom.us/j/93259170908>

Meeting ID: 932 5917 0908

Passcode: 411011

UoM Events

**Various Manchester Museum events (lots are open schoolchildren)**

Manchester Museum

Throughout Summer 2021

[https://events.manchester.ac.uk/calendar/tag:manchester\_museum/](https://events.manchester.ac.uk/calendar/tag%3Amanchester_museum/)

**INFRA+ Infrastructure for Fragmented Cities: Fictions**

School of Environment, Education and Development

13 Jul 2021 - 14:30 - ??

[https://events.manchester.ac.uk/event/event:d3a-knkg1yse-7xxkbh](https://events.manchester.ac.uk/event/event%3Ad3a-knkg1yse-7xxkbh)

**INFRA+ Infrastructure for Fragmented Cities: Interrelations**

School of Environment, Education and Development

27 Jul 2021 - 14:30 - ??

[https://events.manchester.ac.uk/event/event:h1c-koaaz6yt-93guct](https://events.manchester.ac.uk/event/event%3Ah1c-koaaz6yt-93guct)

       Harriet Bickley has created a booklet full of practical info to help UoM staff & students live, work & study in a more eco-friendly manner. Download from <http://documents.manchester.ac.uk/DocuInfo.aspx?DocID=44432>

       Pooja Kishinani and Marion Smith, students at University of Manchester, have created a guide for students around three themes: the emotions, basic information, and activist advice of climate change. Download it at: <https://climateemergencymanchester.net/student-climate-handbook/>

       Want Not Waste have recorded their various environmental talks on their YouTube channel, please take a look here: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTpg3EG9LV9B14R1cXbHDig>

Greater Manchester Events

**The politics of COP and why the process doesn’t deliver Climate Justice – Manchester meeting**

Manchester COP26 Coalition

20 Jul 2021 - 18:30 - 20:00

<https://www.manchesterfoe.org.uk/events/event/the-politics-of-cop-and-why-the-process-doesnt-deliver-climate-justice-manchester-meeting/>

**Big Butterfly Count**

Friends of the Earth

25 Jul 2021 - 11:00 - 13:00

<https://www.manchesterfoe.org.uk/events/event/big-butterfly-count/>

       Season For Change are running a few more events that are climate change-related, including their ‘Season For Exchange 2’ talks: <https://www.seasonforchange.org.uk/events/>

       Manchester Climate Change have released their own 15 actions to take to become a zero carbon city: <https://www.manchesterclimate.com/15-actions>

Science Museum Group (SMG) Climate Talks

SMG’s climate talks will be happening throughout this year, 12 of which (as indicated in the below list) will be part of [Manchester Science Festival](https://www.scienceandindustrymuseum.org.uk/manchester-science-festival); this local festival has a climate change theme this year and will be mainly occurring between 12th – 21st February 2021.

         [**Climate change: why should we care?**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CnsGlk994cA)(occurred on 28 Jan 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**Transport: How can I be a good citizen of the world?**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xl7mh0gnR1I)**- Manchester Science Festival**(occurred on 13 Feb 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**Equality: How can I be a good citizen of the world?**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7pazufJoCA4)**- Manchester Science Festival**(occurred on 13 Feb 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**Earth, but not as we know it: Lovelock’s legacy and our future**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7PiVnwKRpPE)**- Manchester Science Festival**(occurred on 13 Feb 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**Food: How can I be a good citizen of the world?**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uXp-ApuK03A)**- Manchester Science Festival**(occurred on 14 Feb 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**The Road to Carbon Zero: In conversation with Professor Myles Allen**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2ZTjeHUwXjo)**- Manchester Science Festival**(occurred on 14 Feb 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**Changing the system: Brian Eno and James Thornton in conversation**](https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/p09b6rbk)**- Manchester Science Festival** (occurred on 15 Feb 2021 – BBC Sounds link provided ICYMI)

         [**You and the Planet: Air**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4qggQz3MWCA) **- Manchester Science Festival** (occurred on 16 Feb 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**A Liveable Earth: Climate Change and the Faith Community**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Gsyaqa0WWM) **- Manchester Science Festival** (occurred on 20 Feb 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**Let’s Talk About Eco-Anxiety**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8uiuU_kLCEI) **- Manchester Science Festival** (occurred on 20 Feb 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**Our Hydrogen Future: Delivering Net Zero**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QnXD4thwQ4U) **- Manchester Science Festival** (occurred on 21 Feb 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**Is Capitalism compatible with Environmentalism?**](https://youtu.be/Qa_qWftGBYQ) (occurred on 26 Feb 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**Climate change: the view from space**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B4TAwAZxd-k)(occurred on 16 Mar 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**Our future planet: global greenhouse gas removal**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JTxLfMta98U)(occurred on 31 Mar 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**1.5 v 2 degrees Celsius: Why half a degree really counts**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KfA7w3rs5I0)(occurred on 29 Apr 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**The Clean Energy Revolution**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=baIpPWlc3wA)(occurred on 13 May 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**The Future of Fuel**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ms-5ysPXJQ0)**- Manchester Science Festival [rescheduled from 12th Feb]**(occurred on 5 Jun 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**How are our oceans responding to climate change?**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_7DcQuy7lH4)(occurred on 10 Jun 2021 – YouTube link provided ICYMI)

         [**COP26: How can it achieve what the world needs?**](https://www.scienceandindustrymuseum.org.uk/whats-on/cop26)(5 Aug 2021 - 19:30 - 20:45)

         [**How to feed the world without costing the Earth**](https://www.scienceandindustrymuseum.org.uk/whats-on/how-to-feed-the-world)**-**(8 Sep 2021 - 19:30 - 20:45)

         [**The Electricity Revolution: Our Zero Carbon Future**](https://www.scienceandindustrymuseum.org.uk/manchester-science-festival/whats-on/electricity-revolution) **- Manchester Science Festival** **[postponed until further notice]**

Other Events

**‘Tackling environmental challenges for a sustainable future’ MOOC (via FutureLearn)**

University of York

5 Jul - 5 Aug 2021

<https://www.york.ac.uk/study/moocs/tackling-environmental-challenges/>

**Lunchtime talk: Communications and anti-racism**

Friends of the Earth

14 Jul 2021 - 13:00 - 14:00

<https://www.manchesterfoe.org.uk/events/event/lunchtime-talk-communications-and-anti-racism/>

**How can education help us rise to the challenge of climate change?**

The Harmony Project

15 Jul 2021 - 17:00 - 18:15

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/how-can-education-help-us-rise-to-the-challenge-of-climate-change-tickets-160786914991>

**Sci-Fi: bridging climate science and green finance**

The Royal Society

21 Jul 2021 - 13:00 - 16:50

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sci-fi-bridging-climate-science-and-green-finance-tickets-154702197437>

**How can we build or adapt School Campuses to be resilient to Climate Change**

Zero Waste Mindset

29 Jul 2021 - 15:30 - 18:30

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/how-can-we-build-or-adapt-school-campuses-to-be-resilient-to-climate-change-tickets-159401854237>

       Whilst it still seems to be in the early stages of uptake, [AllotMe](https://www.allotme.co.uk/) – marketed as the ‘Airbnb for your Garden’ sounds like a great concept –  whereby individuals can rent spaces to grow food within major cities/urban environments, and garden owners can monetise their land.

       Downloading the [Treekly](https://www.treekly.org/) app on a smartphone allows you to plant 1 tree each week for free (seemingly in Madagascar); by tracking your footsteps, using either your phone’s built-in pedometer or a fitness tracker/smartwatch, you can convert your 25,000 steps per week [5,000 each day for 5 days] into the planting of a tree.

       Downloading the [TreeApp](https://www.thetreeapp.org/) app on a smartphone allows you to plant a tree for free, in an area that it’s needed e.g. often in the Global South, every single day (up to a daily limit of trees available – you’ll know when the limit has been reached as it prevents you from planting)

       Spare 3 minutes to fill in Currensea’s Sustainability survey and each completed survey removes 100 plastic bottles from the oceans (thanks to their [Plastic Bank](https://plasticbank.com/) partnership): <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/P2GFFCV>

       Changing your internet browser settings to use [Ecosia](https://www.ecosia.org/) as the default browser means that you’ll be planting trees whilst you’re searching (approx. 45 searches = 1 tree planted).

       A CO2 widget created to communicate daily levels of CO2 by Matthew Shribman, his colleagues, and University of Cambridge / Cambridge Zero: <https://co2widget.com/>

       Some suggested climate actions have been listed by Ecologi on their It’s Time website: <https://itstime.earth/climate-actions>

       Really useful links to organisations who are promoting circular economy initiatives: <https://eeb.org/circular-future>

   Please take a look at the [Students Organising for Sustainability UK (SOS-UK) website](https://sustainability.nus.org.uk/) as well as two current campaigns they are running:

1. [Invest for Change](https://www.investforchange.uk/)

2. [Carbon Targets](https://www.carbontargets.uk/)

Social Media

You can now connect to the Climate Network on:

1. [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/groups/235576384126425/)

2. [Yammer](https://www.yammer.com/live.manchester.ac.uk/)

How To Subscribe To Us

Feel free to forward this newsletter on, but also please pay a visit to our website below (where you can subscribe to our mailing list, take look at our events calendar, and see a sample of the environmental groups affiliated with UoM):

<https://climatenetwork.uk/universityofmanchester/>

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Landmark ‘Sharma case’ argues that the Australian government should be held accountable for the effects of climate change upon the next generation

**For the first time, in Australia, a judge formalised into law a government’s duty of care to protect under-18s from the climate crisis.**

There have now been around 1800 climate-related legal cases since 1986, according to the [Climate Change Laws of the World online database](https://climate-laws.org/), however, this particular case is the “first in which a common law court has recognised the existence of a government duty of care to avoid climate harms that is based in the law of negligence.”

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2021/jul/10/one-more-mine-does-make-a-difference-australian-children-argue-for-the-climate-and-the-law-agrees>

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An opportunity to share your thoughts and get involved with the ‘In Our Nature’ campaign

**Help create a greener, healthier and more connected Manchester.**

A group of organisations in Manchester are launching a new programme to help everyone across the city live, work and travel in ways that are good for us, our communities and the environment. Together we can find ways to promote and enhance our green spaces, improve the air we breathe, eat healthier, and make more of the stuff we own and buy.

Want to have your say on what you want to see in your community, find useful tips and advice and be part of shaping one of the biggest community climate campaigns in Manchester? You’ve come to the right place.

<https://zerocarbonmanchester.commonplace.is/>

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UoM UCU needs a ‘UCU Green Officer’ to be part of their branch committee.

**The Green Officer must be a UCU member.**

Facility time is available for this role which means that the University will allow the Green Officer to carry out the role as part of their normal working hours.

The Green Officer could choose to take:

         zero facility time (i.e. they carry out the role in their own time)

         0.1 FTE facility time (i.e. they use ½ day per week of their normal working hours to carry out the role)

         0.2 FTE facility time (i.e. they use 1 day per week of their normal working hours to carry out the role)

For example, if you work a normal 35 hour week and you have 0.2 FTE facility time, you would spend 28 hours per week carrying out your normal role and 7 hours per week carrying out the role of the Green Officer. Hopefully that would be enough to allow you to do the role without using up your own free time.  Your salary remains exactly the same.  Your line manager has to agree to this (but we find that most line managers will agree).

You can use the facility time as you think fit e.g. training, meetings, writing leaflets/newsletters, literally whatever you think needs doing.

You are not tied in to the role for any particular period of time.  If you would like a chat about possibly doing this role please contact Caroline Martin (Joint Branch Secretary of UoM UCU)

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Zero Carbon’s ‘Price Out Pollution’ Petition

**It’s Time To Price Out Pollution**

Making polluters pay for their emissions is the fairest way to reach net zero at a price society can afford. That's why [The Zero Carbon Campaign](https://www.zeroc.org.uk/) is calling for the Government to put a proper price on pollution, and to use the revenues to support people through the low-carbon transition. Their target is 100,000 signatures to trigger a debate in Parliament in advance of COP26 in November 2021.

<https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/574678>

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Best wishes

The UoM Climate Network

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