MODEL MOTION FOR TRADE UNIONS

This branch/region/trades council notes that as global temperatures rise, the impacts on humans and ecosystems are also multiplying. Extreme weather events such as heatwaves, drought and flooding have the greatest impact in those regions and communities which have done least to contribute to the problem.

It notes the UK government’s backtracking on climate change policies, including cutting support to renewables and energy efficiency / warm homes funding, and promoting fracking.

It also notes the need for international solidarity against Donald Trump’s climate denial and his attempts to undermine climate action, and that the Paris climate agreement cannot be fulfilled without urgently raising the level of ambition in the UK and elsewhere.

It believes that measures like those proposed in the “One Million Climate Jobs” report would not only reduce greenhouse gas emissions but also, by boosting the economy, offer an alternative to austerity, investing in the infrastructure needed for a sustainable future.

It further believes that trade unions have a vital role to play in bringing about urgent climate action which is rooted in workers’ rights and social justice.

The branch/region/ trades council therefore resolves:

1. To affiliate to the Campaign against Climate Change
2. To make a bulk order for copies of the One Million Climate Jobs report for sale to members. [Copies can be ordered through www.cacctu.org.uk/climatejobs].

How to affiliate

Affiliation fees: branches and trades councils £25, regions and County Associations £50, national unions from £150, depending on size.

Affiliation fees can be paid via PayPal at www.cacctu.org.uk/affiliate, or by cheque with a covering note to the address overleaf (bank transfer also accepted).

You can notify the Campaign against Climate Change Trade Union Group of the affiliation by post or email info@campaignncc.org

The Campaign against Climate Change trade union group works across the trade union movement to campaign for the urgent action we need to avoid catastrophic climate change.

Tackling the climate crisis needs workers to build a world fit for the future. Yet the false narrative of “jobs versus the environment” is still heard across the political spectrum and is one which derails the action needed to plan for a future which doesn’t cost the earth.

Instead of settling for this false choice, there is both an urgent need for action on climate change and a real opportunity for trade unionists to be at the forefront of campaigning for a transition. One which puts the needs of the planet and the interests of working people at the top of the political agenda.

The One Million Climate Jobs report outlines how good well paid government jobs could be created which quickly and deeply cut our emissions, tackling the climate crisis and creating well paid government jobs. The report sets out a case for just transition through the formation of a National Climate Service.
The Campaign against Climate Change trade union group works to:

• educate and develop a clear understanding within the trade union movement of climate change and its impacts.
• develop an understanding of the socially unequal impacts of climate change and why therefore climate change is a trade union issue.
• campaign for environmental reps within the workplace
• publicise and develop the case for Just Transition, a National Climate Service and One Million Climate Jobs within the trade union movement and across society.
• work with other campaign and civil society groups to build the kind of action needed to deliver change which can tackle the climate crisis.

Please join us in our work - lets plan for a future which doesn’t cost the earth.

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