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

- Developing understanding within the trade union movement of why climate justice is a trade union issue: the unequal impacts of climate breakdown and fossil fuel pollution, both globally and locally.
- Identifying and sharing effective solutions: Just Transition, climate jobs, and a National Climate Service, with a focus on linking social justice and climate justice.
- Identifying ‘false solutions’ to the climate crisis which have negative environmental and/or social outcomes and informing debates about these within the trade union movement.
- Bringing trade union voices into the environmental and climate movement.
- Working with other campaign and civil society groups to build effective demonstrations with a visible trade union presence calling for climate action.

Please join us in our work – let’s plan for a future which doesn’t cost the earth.

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For a future which doesn’t cost the earth
MODEL MOTION FOR TRADE UNIONS

This branch/trades council notes that as global temperatures rise, impacts on humans and ecosystems are multiplying, including extreme weather events such as heatwaves, drought and flooding. These have the greatest impact on those who have done least to cause the problem.

It notes the inspiring mobilisations of civil society and trade unions around COP26 in November 2021 but that despite this the outcome failed us all.

It also notes that since COP26, the government has failed to take the urgent action needed to address the climate crisis: encouraging fossil fuel expansion and neglecting basic measures to cut energy demand, such as insulating homes. Continuing the UK’s dependence on fossil gas contributes to unprecedented levels of fuel poverty.

It believes a comprehensive programme of climate jobs is needed, as proposed in "Climate Jobs: Building a Workforce for the Climate Emergency", to cut emissions and create the infrastructure needed for a sustainable future, including warm homes, integrated public transport and decarbonising industry.

It further believes that trade unions have a vital role to play in bringing about urgent climate action and a worker-led just transition rooted in workers’ rights and social justice.

The branch/trades council therefore resolves:

1. To affiliate to the Campaign against Climate Change.
2. To order copies of “Climate Jobs: Building a Workforce for the Climate Emergency” for sale to members.

How to affiliate

Affiliation fees: branches and trades councils £25, regions £50, national unions from £150, depending on size. Fees can be paid by bank transfer, annual standing order or cheque.

To notify the Campaign against Climate Change Trade Union Group of the affiliation and for further details of how to pay, email climatetradeunion@gmail.com

The Campaign against Climate Change trade union group is part of the Campaign against Climate Change, a national campaign which has worked for over two decades to campaign for the urgent action we need to avoid catastrophic climate breakdown.

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

Climate Jobs: Building a workforce for the climate emergency provides a detailed and in-depth update of the One Million Climate Jobs report, demonstrating that there are many more than a million good, skilled jobs that could be created if we urgently tackle the climate emergency, as the science demands.

The report sets out a case for just transition through the formation of a National Climate Service, and creation of public sector jobs across all sectors from transport, energy and food to homes, education and more, which are essential to tackling the climate crisis.

To download the report or order copies, visit cacctu.org.uk/climatejobs