

OUR GRANDCHILDREN'S CLIMATE NEWSLETTER NO.5 June 2026

COME TO THE MOST EXCITING AGM OF THE YEAR!

Wednesday 3rd June 2026 at 5 pm online. Followed at 5.30 by the screening of two of the ten-minute lectures (one on Health, one on National Security) from last November's *National Emergency Briefing* conference, and discussion. A number of our members are involved in some of the more than a thousand screenings taking place across the country. The Zoom link to the AGM is available by emailing us at info@ourgrandchildrensclimate.org

In preparation for our first Annual General Meeting, this Newsletter focuses mainly on what we have been doing in the past year. Members will also receive reports about the activities of our three Working Groups (Pensions and Finance, Actions, and Don't-forget-the-grandchildren) as well as a financial summary.

Public actions and Activities: This Newsletter tells part of our story in the past year in calendar form: This ranges from protest by a couple of members outside a Government Department to joining with half a million others who have interests that overlap with ours - usually with our colourful banner:

July 2025: *The Climate Coalition* lobby with 130 other member organizations. One of our media interviews reached over 20 local newspapers across the country.



August 2025: The European Connection. We are members of [European Grandparents for Climate](#). Three of us joined fellow-climate seniors from 9 other countries in Oslo for a conference and protest march (complete with red hats). The next European conference will be in The Hague in September 2026, where we will be represented.



September 2025: Income inequality is a climate issue. We joined the *Make Them Pay* march and rally in London



Membership: This remains fairly static, at about 80 members, and we need to expand, partly to make us more visible as a campaigning force, but also in order to cover the costs of running our organization. That is why we are asking members to pay at least £20 per annum in order that we can expand our presence more widely. Currently we are dependent on the active participation of about twenty people. We need more: could it be YOU?

October 2025 onwards: Lobbying MPs and protests against the possible Government concessions for the development of Rosebank oil and gas field in the North Sea by *Equinor*.

December 2025: Our protest against *Equinor* at the Christmas Tree in Trafalgar Square was very brief: we were moved on by Heritage Stewards after just two minutes – is this a record?



March 2026: March with the *Together Alliance against the far right*.



Who we are, Dramatis personae1: Our **Board**, which is responsible for overall strategy, consists of our five founding members: Alan Cooklin, Nic Harries, Stephen Joseph, Ellie Kavner, and Sigurd Reimers. Currently, for the sake of simplicity, we are a registered company, but would like to seek charitable status, possibly in the coming year.

April 2026: One of the local events by members, as part of this year's *Big Plastic Count*.

May 2026: The brother of one of our members was present at the *First Conference for the Just Transition away from Fossil Fuels* (aka. COP30 and a half) in Santa Marta, Colombia, and had an opportunity to talk to a



number of delegates from across the world. The second conference, in Tuvalu 2027, is already being planned. We were one of the very few grandparent/senior climate organizations. In preparation, we are already forming a "Post-Santa Marta" working group.



May 2026: We had a presence at the AGMs of two of the UK's biggest banks, with questions about their policy of investing in fossil fuels.

Read all about this - and much more - on our website: www.ourgrandchildrenclimate.org



LATEST: A cross-party group of MPs, led by Andrew George MP, has tabled an Early Day Motion (EDM 93) in Parliament, calling for a UK-wide televised prime-time [National Emergency Briefing](#) on the climate and nature crisis. Ask your MP to support this (www.writetothem.com). 66 MPs have so far signed up – has yours?



Who we are, Dramatis personae2: Our **Executive group**, which meets monthly, consists of ten members: Penny Kent, Judith Trowell, Alan Cooklin, Julia Granville, Sue McNab, Kate Daniels, Nic Harries, Lenny Fagin, Danya Glaser, and Sigurd Reimers. They work on the day-to-day details of our organization and its activities.

"Armchair actions": Much of our work takes place in a concerted or individual way. This includes, as members of OGC, writing letters to MPs, Government Ministers and the Press. We are one of the very few groups of grandparents/seniors in existence that focus on climate collapse. For examples of armchair actions, visit our website.

www.ourgrandchildrenclimate.org.

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Feel like starting a **local group** of Our Grandchildren's Climate? Become the second one: Crouch End in North London have already got started.