

Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill Alliance



West Cornwall

“We are at a unique stage in our history. The future of humanity and indeed, all life on earth, now depends on us” Sir David Attenborough

Dear

We are inviting you to join us to help protect the beautiful countryside, wildlife and the future of all people in West Cornwall. All over the country, [support is growing](#) for the [Climate and Ecological Emergency \(CEE\) Bill](#). This could be the most important step taken to restore our damaged natural world since the Climate Change Act 2008.

[The CEE Bill Alliance - West Cornwall](#) started as a [Transition Penwith](#) initiative and consists of a broad range of individuals, community groups and businesses who are seriously concerned about the impact of climate change and ecological destruction on the natural world. We are looking beyond the pandemic to protect the future of our children, grandchildren and loved ones.

We live in one of the most beautiful parts of the country with an astonishing history stretching back millennia, a strong sense of local identity, culture and a vigorous commitment to protecting that heritage. Cornwall has led the way in acting locally to address the global climate and ecological emergency. The council was one of the first to declare a [climate emergency](#), local initiatives such as [Plastic Free Penzance](#), have gained national attention. But at the same time Cornwall is one of the most deprived areas in the country.

In West Cornwall, we have first-hand experience of storms, floods and travel disruptions, impacting on people's safety, health and food security. The loss of biodiversity and natural habitats has resulted in a decline of fish stocks and wildlife species, with devastating effects on our fishing and farming industries. Neither the outdated [2008 Climate Act](#), nor the proposed [Environment bill](#) have the scope required to address these problems, or recognise how urgent the situation has become. That is why the CEE Bill Alliance - West Cornwall back this private member's [Bill](#).

Our MP Derek Thomas is open to discussing the [CEE Bill](#), and has sympathy with its [aims](#). This is an opportunity for him to demonstrate his genuine commitment to protecting the environment and making this a safer world. [CEE Bill Alliance - West Cornwall](#) has started an [online petition](#) and written an open letter asking him to back the Bill as it travels through parliament.

There is still time to turn the tide on the warming of the planet, to restore the variety and abundance of Cornwall's natural heritage and protect our children's future. Britain could be a global leader in tackling the [Climate and Ecological Emergency](#), and our West Cornwall community has the bold innovative spirit to lead the way.

If you are an individual, please [sign our petition](#) and write a [letter to Derek Thomas](#).

If you are an organisation: email us ceebill@transitionpenwith.org.uk to pledge your support and sign our open letter to Derek Thomas.

Together we can send a strong message. [Get in touch](#), it would be great to hear about how you can spread the word in your area. We also hold regular grass roots zooms to connect, share and learn.

Contact us at ceebill@transitionpenwith.org.uk

Sincerely
CEE Bill Alliance - West Cornwall