Causes, effects and solutions – The Climate Change Tree
The Big Ask Climate Change Campaign – Worksheet

Causes, Effects and Solutions

With a partner, briefly discuss the following questions and make notes to share with the rest of the group.

1) What are the causes of Climate Change?

2) What are the effects/impacts of Climate Change?

3) What solutions to the problem of Climate Change can you think of?
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Making a Climate Act that works

In order to ensure that the UK leads the way on tackling climate change, we need our government to pass a Climate Change Act that really makes a difference. We can all play a role in ensuring that this happens, by making sure that our MPs know that we would support annual carbon emissions reduction targets.

In your group, discuss possible actions you could take to ensure that your MP supports annual targets and votes in favour of a Climate Change Act that works, and make notes to share. Think about ideas under the following headings:

1) Actions we could take as Individuals

2) Action we could take as a group or community

3) Action that business could take
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Taking action on Climate Change

In your group, discuss possibly actions that could be taken to help solve the problem of climate change, and make notes to share. Think about ideas under the following headings:

1) Personal action

2) Action we could take as a group or community

3) Action that business could take

4) Action the Government could take
The Big Ask Action Plan

Name and group

Date

Statement of intent

By ___________________ [insert your deadline] **I will have succeeded in ______________**

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________________________________________________________________________

[insert a brief sentence outlining what you intend to do – think about the outcome you want to achieve – what change will you have made?]

To achieve this aim, I will need to complete the following tasks:

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

In order to do this I will need the following help and/or resources:

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I will need to gain skills/confidence in:

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I have identified the following difficulties or barriers to achieving my aim:

1.

2.

3.

I will overcome these by:

1.

2.

3.
Use this page to continue any of the sections above, or to record any other useful information or ideas.
The Climate Change Act
The job we need to do

Friends of the Earth

The climate is changing.
It’s time to ask questions.

Climate Change Bill

- sets an annual target for cuts in carbon dioxide emissions – three per cent every year
- requires annual reports on progress to Parliament
- holds Government to account if they fall behind
Three per cent per year ...

... starting now!

10 billion tonnes of CO2

Annual reports
Is the Government doing enough about climate change?

73% NO

NOP survey for Friends of the Earth. May 2005

So how far have we got?

- 412 MPs signed Early Day Motion 178 on the Climate Change Bill.
- The Big Ask Big Month secured pledges from 1357 people covering 613 out of 648 constituencies (94.5%).

Success...?

“My government will publish a Bill on climate change as part of its policy to protect the environment, consistent with long-term energy supplies”.

- The Queen's speech, November 15th 2006
Responses...

- The Conservative party in coalition with others, have launched an online campaign called Can I Have the Bill Please (www.canihavethebillplease.co.uk). This calls for a bill that does commit to binding annual targets, a Climate Change Commission and an annual report to parliament.

- The Stern Review estimates that the cost of failing to tackle climate change will be

  **£3.68 trillion**

What can we do?

1. Give your support to The Big Ask by signing the pledge and adding your photograph to our petition.
2. Use this workshop to explore what further action you could take as an individual or a group.
3. Find out more and spread the word – talk to other people in your community, and publicise your support for the campaign.
Workshop evaluation form
We’d be grateful if you would spend 5 minutes filling in this form. It will help us to improve the workshop for other groups, and keep a record of the impact the workshops are having. Thank you!

Name (optional)
Name of community group

Why did you come to this workshop today?

What have you learned from this workshop?

What personal or group action have you pledged to take as a result of attending this workshop?

What parts of the workshop did you find most useful/interesting?

Would you recommend this workshop to other members of your group or other groups? Yes/No (please delete) Why?

What could we do to improve the workshop?

Do you have any comment on the venue/other practical arrangements?

Please use this space to give us any other feedback

Please return this form to your workshop facilitator