

The UK Schools Sustainability Network

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Dear Prime Minister,

On behalf of young people and education leaders across the UK, we urge you, as Prime Minister, to deliver on your promise to protect the environment. It is your utmost responsibility as the leader of our country to drive the changes that are so urgently needed if we are to tackle the climate and biodiversity crises. The scientific consensus is that this next decade is critical to combat climate change if we are to keep within 1.5°C. The UK government's ambition of net zero by 2050 is applaudable, but words mean nothing if you do not take action by delivering on environmental policies and drastically reducing our emissions in order to protect nature and mitigate climate change. It is essential to engage young people in the process, as we are the ones who will be facing the full impacts of your government's actions in the future, for better or for worse. Whilst we understand that there are 'other pressing commitments', we very much hope that you will attend COP27, as we are sure you understand that the climate crisis must be taken as a priority. COP27 is a crucial opportunity to demonstrate the UK's ambition and action regarding the most important global issue of our time.

Yours sincerely,

Student and staff members of the UK Schools Sustainability Network