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Subject: WBGE Statement for UN AGM

Graeme,

Can you read this out tonight please?

Richard

Statement to UN AGM

This week the IPCC published a major report and the following day the UK announced its energy strategy. Both are significant events concerning climate change.

The IPCC report stated clearly that carbon emissions must peak by 2025, and that even then CO2 will need to be extracted from the atmosphere on an industrial scale. This is the first time they have effectively said that we have passed the point where reducing emissions will be sufficient to reverse climate change.

In contrast, the UK energy strategy did not call for the immediate cessation of the extraction of fossil fuels in the UK, nor did it call for policies to reduce demand for energy, both of which would be necessary for it to respect the IPCC report.

The West Berks Green Exchange will be taking this matter up with our MP, Laura Farris, and will be calling for a meeting with her to express our extreme disappointment in the attitude of the British government towards reducing carbon emissions.

It is essential now that all governments around the world take notice of the message issued by the IPCC and take immediate action accordingly. Richard Foster 07803 203292

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