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depends on us!*

Sir David Attenborough

Dear Neighbour,

In these challenging times, we need courage to look directly at the greatest threat to ALL human life that we have ever faced – the climate and environmental emergency. As David Attenborough said *“The future of humanity and indeed all life on Earth depends on us!”* And RIGHT NOW is our last chance to avoid incredible hardship for our children’s future and the entire planet. Our world is being smothered with oil and its products – plastic in the sea, pesticides in the soil, carcinogens in the air. Species are disappearing. The Arctic is melting. The Amazon is burning.

**Our banks are funding this destruction**

Barclays Bank is Europe’s BIGGEST investor in FOSSIL FUELS and ECOLOGICAL DESTRUCTION – to the tune of £91.5 BILLION POUNDS

These activities include:

- Illegal deep deforestation of the Amazon
- Fracking the Arctic for oil and gas
- Extraction of Canadian tar sands oil
- Production of lethal pesticides
- Raising and slaughtering 80,000 cattle per day

the list of environmental and social exploitation goes on.

The other high street banks – Santander, HSBC, Natwest, and Lloyds are doing much the same. OUR money (personal and business accounts), our savings, money for our childrens’ future and our pensions, are currently invested in financial portfolios which finance environmental and climate breakdown. This is leading to extreme weather, crop failure, war and mass migration as refugees flee for their lives. WE HAVE TO ACT! WE HAVE TO ACT NOW!

**So what can you do?**

Banks want your custom – YOU have POWER.  
See how your bank performs at <https://makemymoneymatter.co.uk>

**Switch to an ethical bank – Triodos, CO-OP or Nationwide**

By using [www.switchit.money](http://www.switchit.money) or [www.currentaccountswitch.co.uk](http://www.currentaccountswitch.co.uk)  
If you can’t change because of commitments **please cut, sign and post the letter opposite to your bank NOW!**

**What Else?**

- Write** to your MP and demand legislation to stop banks causing ‘Ecocide’
- Share** – encourage your family and friends to do the same
- Learn** – [www.ethicalconsumer.org](http://www.ethicalconsumer.org) for all things bought
- Join** a Divestment campaign <https://fundourfuture.uk>
- Join** the campaign to tochange the law and protect the earth [www.stopecocide.earth](http://www.stopecocide.earth)

Best Wishes, Your Neighbour



Dear CEO of (please circle)

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I am aware that much of your portfolio is invested in FOSSIL FUELS and practices damaging to the climate, environment, ecosystems and communities. This is totally unacceptable in this time of global Climate and Environmental Crisis.

I have been a personal/business account holder at ..... bank  
.....  
branch address ..... since  
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I demand that this bank DIVESTS from FOSSIL FUELS immediately!

Please explain to me how your banks practices align with the 2015 Paris Agreement and clarify its current ethical position in relation to the climate and ecological emergency.

I would also like to know how you plan to reduce your investment in fossil fuel corporations and incorporate climate risk into ongoing and future funding.

Name (print) .....

Name (sign) .....

Account (optional) .....

Address .....

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