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# CALL TO ACTION: Stop UK100 Subverting Democracy



Our research, <u>reported</u> recently on the front page of the Telegraph, shows that over 100 local councils have made anti-democratic pledges to "beat" the Government's own Net Zero targets, to an organisation called <u>UK100</u> - which is <u>bankrolled</u> by "green" billionaires - without consulting voters.

If you are wondering why so many local councils seem hell-bent on damaging anti-motorist policies, this may partly explain it - not least as UK100 even pays for "political consultants" to work in the most enthusiastic councils.

We object to a few billionaires hijacking democracy to push their agendas - if you do too, please take a moment to take action today - here's how...

## Step 1: Find out if your local council is a member of UK100

- If your council IS signed up to UK100, please use message template
  A below
- If your council IS NOT currently signed up to UK100, use template B

The 100+ councils currently listed as members of UK100 are:

Adur District Council

Bath and North East Somerset Council

Birmingham City Council

Blackpool Council

**Brent Council** 

**Bridgend County Borough Council** 

Brighton & Hove City Council

**Bristol City Council** 

Bury Metropolitan Borough Council

Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council

Cambridge City Council

Cambridgeshire County Council

Canterbury City Council

Cardiff Council

Central Bedfordshire Council

Cherwell District Council

Cheshire East Council

Cheshire West and Chester Council

Chorley Council

City of Edinburgh Council

City of Lincoln Council

City of London Corporation

City of York Council

Cornwall Council

Cotswold District Council

Derbyshire County Council

East Ayrshire Council

**Essex County Council** 

**Exeter City Council** 

Glasgow City Council

Gloucester City Council

Gloucestershire County Council

Greater London Authority

**Greater Manchester Combined Authority** 

Herefordshire Council

Hertfordshire County Council

High Peak Borough Council

Lancaster City Council

Leeds City Council

Leicester City Council

Leicestershire County Council

Lewes District Council

Liverpool City Council

Liverpool City Region

London Borough of Camden

London Borough of Enfield

London Borough of Hackney

London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham

London Borough of Haringey

London Borough of Islington

London Borough of Lambeth

London Borough of Lewisham

London Borough of Newham

London Borough of Southwark

London Borough of Tower Hamlets

London Borough of Waltham Forest

Manchester City Council

Mendip District Council

Milton Keynes Council

Mole Valley District Council

Newcastle City Council

Norfolk County Council

North Kesteven District Council

North Norfolk District Council

North Somerset Council

North Tyneside Council

Norwich City Council

Nottingham City Council

Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council

Oxford City Council

Oxfordshire County Council

Plymouth City Council

Portsmouth City Council

Reading Borough Council

Rother District Council

Royal Borough of Greenwich

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

Sheffield City Council

Shropshire Council

Solihull Council

Somerset County Council

South Gloucestershire Council

South Ribble Borough Council

South Somerset District Council

South Tyneside Council

South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority

St Albans City and District Council

Staffordshire Moorlands District Council

Stevenage Borough Council

Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council

Stroud District Council

Suffolk County Council Sunderland City Council

Surrey County Council

Swale Borough Council

Telford and Wrekin Council

Three Rivers District Council

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council

Vale of White Horse District Council

Warwick District Council

Warwickshire County Council

Watford Borough Council

West Berkshire Council

West Midlands Combined Authority

West Northamptonshire Council

West of England Combined Authority

West Suffolk Council

West Yorkshire Combined Authority

Westminster City Council

Wiltshire Council

Worthing Borough Council

#### Step 2: Open up a quick email to your local councillor(s)

- Go to the <u>WriteToThem website</u> and type in your postcode
- The website will show you who your local councillor(s) are
- If you are unsure which councillor(s) to write to, look at the notes on the left hand side
- Click the 'Write to them' link to open up a blank email

Alternatively you can find your local councillors through the Government website **HERE**.

#### Step 3: Send your message

Use or adapt the relevant template below (always best if you can tweak to write something unique!)

#### Template A - Use if your council IS signed up to UK100

I was extremely concerned to read in the press that the council has signed up with an organisation called UK100, and in so doing has pledged to "beat" the Government's own Net Zero targets in our area?

The impending loss of 3,000 jobs at Port Talbot shows starkly the dreadful damage now being done to local communities by Net Zero policies. Anti-driver policies are also causing great damage. We might ask exactly whose interests are served by intensifying such policies?

The recent report (<a href="https://togetherdeclaration.org/report">https://togetherdeclaration.org/report</a>) by Together, "Clean" Air, Dirty Money, Filthy Politics' exposes how UK100 - though virtually no voters will ever have heard of it - is extremely well-funded by a few "green" billionaires. Reportedly it even pays to place "political consultants" within councils. This is a scandal.

Given that the council cannot point to any kind of democratic mandate whatsoever for making this pledge to UK100 I would like to know when it will be rescinding it?

#### Template B - Use if your council IS NOT signed up to UK100

I was extremely concerned to read in the press that many councils around the UK have signed up with an organisation called UK100, and in so doing have pledged to "beat" the Government's own Net Zero targets, despite having no democratic mandate to do anything of the kind (see article: (<a href="https://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2024/01/06/councils-undemocratic-pledges-beat-governments-net-zero/">https://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2024/01/06/councils-undemocratic-pledges-beat-governments-net-zero/</a>).

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Could you please confirm that the council will not be making any such pledge to this organisation UK100, or others like it?

#### Step 3: Post on social media

Use our text below - or write your own

Important: please add the tag for your local council / councillors so they get a notification

For example, "Today I wrote to our local council @Brent\_Council"

Note: the tags below work for Twitter - they may need adjusting/not work on other platforms

Template A - Use this kind of message if your council IS signed up to UK100

Today I wrote to my local council

Why have they anti-democratically pledged to billionaire-funded @UK100\_ to "beat" Govt's own Net Zero targets?

You have no mandate for this pledge - rescind it

@LGAComms @togetherdec @uklabour @conservatives

### Template B - Use this kind of message if your council IS NOT signed up to UK100

Today I wrote to my local council

I asked them to confirm they won't anti-democratically pledge to billionaire-funded @UK100\_ to "beat" Govt's own Net Zero targets, as some other councils have

It's a scandal

@LGAComms @togetherdec @uklabour @conservatives

You can also download and share **THIS GRAPHIC** to go with your post, if you like.

Thank you so much for your support!

Unlike UK100, Together relies on ordinary members of the public to support us through membership - this is the only way we are able to keep campaigning, investigating and exposing these kinds of situations, so...

<u>Please join Together as a member HERE, if you have not already done so.</u>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT We are always strong and better #together!

















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