

LINK Climate Taskforce — Proposed Climate Change Bill, February 2008

Scottish Environment LINK works closely with the campaigning coalition Stop Climate Chaos Scotland.

The Stop Climate Chaos Scotland coalition is part of the growing UK-wide coalition, which contains most of the UK's leading environmental and international development organisations as well as women's organisations, activist groups and faith based campaigns.

Its aim is to build popular pressure on politicians to take steps to halt climate change.

LINK urges its members to respond to the current consultation on the Scottish Climate Change Bill, and to support the following asks made by Stop Climate Chaos Scotland:

1. A target set in the Bill to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by at least 80% by 2050.
2. The Bill to include statutory targets of at least 3% year on year emission reductions.
3. The Bill to include emissions from international aviation and shipping in the reduction targets.

Scottish Environment LINK's broad spectrum of organisations recognise the impact that climate change will have on the diverse range of interests that they represent and support a strong Climate Change Bill that will work towards ensuring not only that significant reductions in emissions are achieved, but that these reductions are made sustainably and avoid any damage to Scotland's exceptional natural environment.

Recognising that some climate change is already happening, we also want to see effective measures to help increase the resilience of our natural environment to these changes.



Storms over Lochaber (istockphoto/BMPix)