





ANTI NUCLEAR POWER ACTIVISTS PLANNING MEETING Stopping the nuclear juggernaut? Building a sustainable non-nuclear energy policy Date: Saturday 30th June 2012, 11.00am – 4.00pm Location: Bridge 5 Mill, 22a Beswick Street, Manchester, M4 7HR

2012 is a pivotal year in the energy debate across the UK. The UK Government is committed to the development of nuclear power stations at up to 8 sites across England and Wales. The first of these nominated sites is likely to be Hinkley Point, where EDF's proposed site is being currently considered by the Infra-structure Planning Commission. This is just over a year after the Fukushima nuclear leak and at a time when in many countries activist groups and political groups have persuaded their governments to think again and turn to investment in alternative renewable investments. The decision by RWE and E-On to pull out of new nuclear build at Wylfa and Oldbury has significantly shifted the debate and put this policy under considerable strain.

We want to learn about the success of campaigns in other countries, and of many environmental campaigns here in the UK, and how they can be sustained. We want to build on the most effective ways of campaigning and draw upon the skills and understandings of 'Occupy' and 'Plane Stupid' and other groups. This is a planning meeting for a future campaigners' event later in the year designed to strengthen the movement, in a similar way to the Yokahama conference in February 2012 brought thousands of activists together in Japan.

We will start relatively small and wish to plan for a conference later this year. We would like to invite colleagues from Europe and possibly Japan to the later conference to share their ideas for influencing politicians and energy consumers. We need to take account of the strength of huge multi-nationals interests and their degrees of enthusiasm for renewables and Green marketing techniques. This will be a planning event and we hope to be able to move on and draw in similar campaign interests from across Europe and beyond.

This planning meeting is open to members of local and national nuclear concerned and environmental groups across the UK and Ireland.

DRAFT PROGRAMME

11.00am 11.30am	Registration: Tea/Coffee Welcome from Organising Group
11.35am	Opening discussion on how to develop future campaigners conference
12.00pm	Developing Conference Strands Session A -
	 Organising local, national and international campaigns, networks and demonstrations
	 Engaging with the political process
1.00pm	Lunch
1.30pm	Developing Conference Strands Session B -
	 Getting the message across an ambivalent media
	 Developing links across the environmental movement
3.00pm	Planning next steps – fundraising, invitations, further action
4.00pm	Conclusion

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Registration Details

This conference is open to members of local, national and international antinuclear and environmental groups. If you are planning to attend, could you please fill in the appropriate details and post, email or fax to the address at the bottom of this form:

Name	Authority / Group	Correspondence address (email or postal)

Venue:

Bridge 5 Mill is the home of GMDCND and a large number of

environmental organisations and is a 10 minute bus ride (direct Piccadilly Gardens) or 20 minute walk from Piccadilly Train om

tation.

A map and directions can be downloaded from: http://www.merci.org/visiting

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