

## The Road to Paris

Autumn 2015

### Get your voice heard

In the run up to the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris, Keep Scotland Beautiful is running a [consultation](#) to find out what the people of Scotland think about the issues on the table. You can take part in the consultation via our Road to Paris webpages and read more later in this newsletter.

[www.KeepScotlandBeautiful.org/yourvoiceatparis](http://www.KeepScotlandBeautiful.org/yourvoiceatparis)

The Conference in Paris runs from November 30th to December 11th, 2015. It is a crucial conference, as it needs to achieve a new international agreement, applicable to all countries, with the aim of keeping global warming below 2°.



Keep Scotland Beautiful is also providing [interpretative resources](#) to support the consultation and highlighting [simple actions to help tackle climate change](#).

Keep Scotland Beautiful plays an important role in influencing and enabling action on climate change. This includes work with people, places and policy through areas including collaboration with Government the public sector, communities and voluntary sector organisations, businesses and young people. We see it as part of our work to make Scotland clean, green and more sustainable.



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### Stop Climate Chaos Scotland

Keep Scotland Beautiful has joined [Stop Climate Chaos Scotland](#). By becoming a member of this diverse coalition of more than 60 organisations, Keep Scotland Beautiful has committed to work together to create public momentum and major political commitment to action to tackle climate change in Scotland.



Stop Climate Chaos Scotland activities in the run up to Paris 2015 include training days and [Scotland's Climate March](#) on 28th November in Edinburgh. You can read more about the events on the reverse of this newsletter.

Make your voice heard at Paris 2015 with Stop Climate Chaos Scotland events

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## Interpretative Resources



To support the consultation Keep Scotland Beautiful is running on the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris we have produced interpretative resources on climate change.

Climate change is a name given to the change in our climatic patterns, particularly over the last few decades. It is caused by human activities that have pumped greenhouse gases into the atmosphere. Paris 2015 is a crucial conference; it needs to reach a new international agreement on climate change, applicable to all countries, with the aim of keeping global warming below 2°C.

Our online resources include films introducing climate change and carbon emissions presented by the Junior Climate Challenge Fund Youth Panel and links to the Paris 2015 official website.



**Learn more about climate change and the United Nations Climate Change Conference through resources from Keep Scotland Beautiful**

[www.keeptoscotlandbeautiful.org/roadtoparisfacts](http://www.keeptoscotlandbeautiful.org/roadtoparisfacts)

## Scotland's Response to Climate Change

Scotland is at the forefront of national responses to climate change. Keep Scotland Beautiful supports the leadership being shown by Scotland and supports the range of legislation and policies brought forward to address climate change.

[Scotland's Climate Action Story](#), a film by [Stop Climate Chaos Scotland](#) is a good summary of Scotland's response to climate change.



**Learn more about Scotland's national responses to climate change and why Keep Scotland Beautiful supports them**

[www.keeptoscotlandbeautiful.org/roadtoparisScotlandaction](http://www.keeptoscotlandbeautiful.org/roadtoparisScotlandaction)

## Keep Scotland Beautiful's Response to Climate Change

Keep Scotland Beautiful is committed to demonstrating leadership and action on climate change. This includes in areas where the charity has direct control and where it has influence and an enabling role.

Keep Scotland Beautiful recognises that climate change is a symptom of unsustainable development, caused by the emission, and increasing concentration, of greenhouse gasses in the Earth's atmosphere. We recognise that people - through consumption of resources that lead to the emission of greenhouse gasses - are the main drivers of climate change. We also recognise that people - through actions to reduce emissions and adapt to impact - are the main agents in taking positive action to address climate change. We also acknowledge that we ourselves play an important role in raising awareness and understanding, taking and empowering action, and reporting progress on tackling climate change.

We work collaboratively with others to influence and enable action on climate change. Our response to climate change includes working to influence policy at Government level while also developing carbon literacy and facilitating action on climate change at all levels throughout our Programmes.

We are also committed to measuring, managing and reporting our own climate change commitments on mitigation, adaptation and sustainability.

**Learn how Keep Scotland Beautiful is committed to taking and facilitating climate change activity**

[www.keeptoscotlandbeautiful.org/roadtoparisouraction](http://www.keeptoscotlandbeautiful.org/roadtoparisouraction)



## Take Action on Climate Change

Whatever is agreed at the United Nations Climate Change Conference we all need to work hard to reduce our own carbon emissions.

Whether you are an organisation or individual Keep Scotland Beautiful has provided a number of ways to help enable you to take action on climate change, both through our own programmes and signposting to third party organisations. We see it as part of our work to help make Scotland clean, green and more sustainable.

### Individuals

Whether it's saving energy in the home or choosing locally sourced food, small adjustments to our everyday lives can help to tackle climate change as well as saving money and improving our health and wellbeing. What's more there's lots support and information available online.



[www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/roadtoparisindividuals](http://www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/roadtoparisindividuals)

### Young People

There are many ways to tackle climate change from small everyday actions to becoming more heavily involved. A number of the opportunities we offer could help you develop skills and experience as well as tackle climate change.



[www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/roadtoparisyoungpeople](http://www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/roadtoparisyoungpeople)

Keep Scotland Beautiful has collated simple actions we all can take to help tackle climate change

[www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/roadtoparistakeaction](http://www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/roadtoparistakeaction)

## Community Groups

Keep Scotland Beautiful offers free training, support and resources through the Community Action Support Programme (CASP) for any community group that wishes to tackle climate change. The CASP is part of the Climate Challenge Fund which we manage and develop on behalf of the Scottish Government. We also signpost to organisations and support across Scotland that can help you combat climate change.



[www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/roadtopariscommunity](http://www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/roadtopariscommunity)

### Public Sector

Keep Scotland Beautiful offers the public sector the opportunity to integrate sustainability and climate change into all areas of work through the Sustainable Scotland Network and signposting to other organisations that can help.



[www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/roadtoparispublicsector](http://www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/roadtoparispublicsector)

### Businesses

Businesses not only impact on Scotland's emissions because of operations and activities taking place here, but they also have a role to play on global emissions. There's support to reduce carbon emissions available through our Local Environmental Quality work at Keep Scotland Beautiful and a host of other organisations.



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## Your Voice at Paris

Keep Scotland Beautiful is undertaking a consultation exercise to find out what our audiences and the people of Scotland think about climate change and discussions taking place at the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris.



The consultation process includes an online survey and face-to-face engagement events.

The results from this consultation will be collated and submitted to the Scottish Government to inform the delegation of Ministers and civil servants attending the negotiations. We will publish the results of the consultation through our own media and communication channels.

### Take part in our online consultation:

Make your voice heard at the United Nations Climate Change Conference; input to our Keep Scotland Beautiful consultation.

We welcome input to our [online survey](#) available through

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You can also take part in our consultation if you are attending events:

#### September

23/24 Scottish Learning Festival

#### October

28 Beautiful Scotland & It's Your Neighbourhood Seminar

8 Local Authority Network (SDE), Energy

#### November

3 Sustainable Scotland Network Conference

6 Consultation closes

[Community Action Support Programme](#) events also feature opportunities to feed into the consultation.

Download our Road to Paris toolkit to communicate information about the United Nations Climate Change Conference to your audiences

[www.KeepScotlandBeautiful.org/newsletterandtoolkit](http://www.KeepScotlandBeautiful.org/newsletterandtoolkit)

### Take part in Stop Climate Chaos events

[Stop Climate Chaos Scotland](#) (SCCS) is working to ensure Scotland plays its fair part in tackling climate change and that the commitments set out in the Scottish Climate Change Act are achieved, including targets to reduce emissions by 42% by 2020 and 80% by 2050.

Keep Scotland Beautiful is proud to be a member of the coalition.

### Take part in SCCS Training Days

26-27 September: [Dundee](#), [Edinburgh](#), [Glasgow](#) and [Inverness](#). These days will showcase community-led initiatives to address climate change, tackle injustice and power the move to safe, clean energy plus what's happening in Paris.



### Take part in Scotland's Climate March, 28 November in Edinburgh #scotclimatemarch

SCCS have organised a [march in Edinburgh](#) to stand up for people affected by rising global temperatures by demanding that world leaders agree an ambitious deal at the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris.

SCCS list creation of green jobs, improved transport and food systems and protection of our land, air and water as benefits of a shift to a low carbon society. In asking Scotland to show its colours in Paris and beyond with strong action on climate change, SCCS want you to wear your brightest colours as Scotland marches.

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