



## Gloucestershire Climate Action Network

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### **Cross-party call for farmers to be paid to help limit climate change**

Four parliamentarians from across the political spectrum have written to the Environment Secretary, Michael Gove, calling for activities that would help limit climate change to be included among the measures for which farmers and landowners should receive financial support in the future.

A copy of the letter is provided with this press release.

The letter was co-ordinated by Gloucestershire Climate Action Network (GlosCAN) and the signatories are David Drew, MP for Stroud and Labour's Shadow Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, and three MEPs representing the South West of England (which includes Gloucestershire) - the Independent Conservative Julie Girling, Labour's Clare Moody and the Green Party's Molly Scott Cato. All are registered Supporters of GlosCAN's aims.

Hugh Richards, Chair of GlosCAN's Steering Group, said 'I am delighted that GlosCAN has been able to bring our most high-profile Supporters to act together on this important issue, which seems to be getting very little attention at present. The signatories will no doubt have their own distinctive individual perspectives, which I hope will be sought out by the media and lead to greater public discussion.'

#### Information for editors

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We encourage editors to seek further comment from the letter's signatories:

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GlosCAN has invited all MPs and MEPs representing Gloucestershire to sign up in support of its 'Starting Points' and 'Aims' (published on its website [www.GlosCAN.org/about/](http://www.GlosCAN.org/about/)). Those who did so are the signatories to the letter to Michael Gove.

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