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Dear Mr Johnson

My name is David Ehrlich. I am 8 years old and attend Dulwich Prep London. I am writing to you further to the COP26 conference which I have followed with great interest.

I believe climate change is a very important topic since it will have a big impact on my future. Given this importance I have spent some time thinking on ideas to slow down or even prevent climate change:

1. Cutting down waste and improving recycling

The Government should introduce laws so that bigger companies need to recycle any waste that remains at the end of their production processes. For anything that cannot be recycled they would need to pay into a fund supporting development of new recycling technologies. For supermarkets, the Government should make a law that by 2023 supermarkets are only allowed to sell food packaged in recyclable materials.

2. Protecting trees and improving air quality

The Government should make laws so that you are only allowed to cut down trees in certain areas. Also, when you do have permission to cut them down, you will have to plant new trees in a different area. In addition to this, the Government should plant more trees as this will help converting more carbon dioxide into oxygen.

3. Avoiding harmful emissions and promoting eco-friendly electricity

The Government should increase taxes for lorries that use fuel and request councils to designate more low emission zones. Councils could use the income to build more electric charging stations in the city and Government could use the additional fuel taxes to support research into technologies to make eco-friendly electricity. The Government should also invest more money

into wind and solar farms and at the same time make brown and pink energy more expensive by raising taxes.

In addition, and to decrease harmful emissions, the Government should tax cows significantly because they release a gas which is bad for our environment and climate. The income from this new "cow tax" could also be used to fund research into developing technologies to generate eco-friendly electricity.

4. Improving heating systems

The Government should make power stations pay more taxes and with the additional income help people insulate their homes.

Furthermore, a law should be introduced that if your gas boiler is broken you have to buy an electric heat pump.

Thank you for taking the time to read my ideas. I very much hope that you consider these hopefully ensuring that me and my future children will be able to live on this wonderful planet.

Yours sincerely,

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