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Generation Zero

Our special notice sent out last Saturday mentioned a series of meetings organised by 'Generation Zero' which is an enthusiastic but misguided group of youngsters intent on saving the planet by reducing CO₂ emissions.

Their [website](#) proclaims: '*moving beyond fossil fuels is 100% possible*'.

Their blurb tells us: *Generation Zero, a youth-led organisation, was founded with the central purpose of creating a generation-wide movement of young Kiwis working together to secure a safe and thriving zero carbon Aotearoa.*

One can only wonder what kind of education these young enthusiasts have endured that they can in all seriousness make such statements. I'm sure I don't need to remind readers of this newsletter that only a little study of basic chemistry informs us that carbon is one of the basic building blocks of life and were it to be reduced to zero in our environment the results would be unimaginably devastating.

*****suggested action point*****

I believe it is important for us as Climate Realists **to get out into the meetings where this kind of nonsense is being promoted and make an attempt to counter it with truth.** The world's all time best-selling book does inform us that 'the Truth will set us free'!

Yes, we will always run across the kind of brainwashed zealots like those who posed as the Flat Earth Society during Lord Monckton's recent visit. There will always be some who are unable to be argued with or encouraged to see reason. But I am optimistic enough to hope that maybe some of the Gen Zero young people have never heard there is another side to the whole carbon emissions hysteria and that by presenting them with irrefutable scientific evidence we may cause at least some of the more honest and thoughtful among them to check out those facts for themselves and realise they are being duped.

*****suggested action point*****

Likewise we can attempt to **exert some influence on their blogs** and websites as Collin from Napier did:

*Hi Esther,
had seen the bit about Gen Zero - see my comments [here](#), which sum it up
as far as I can see,
cheers,
Collin*

During our recent NZ tour a number of people asked me what we can do to counter all this nonsense. At the risk of copping some abuse, we can **go onto sites like Hot Topic and the myriad others promoting climate hysteria and attempt to bring the voice of reason to the debate.**

One encouraging example is the case of my husband Neil who initially entered into the fray on Hot Topic as the result of a misunderstanding regarding a detail of the Monckton tour. I was stunned at the horrible vituperative rudeness and insulting language aimed at my husband, and I admired him for his calm and reasoned responses which he continued in the face of some really vitriolic opposition.

However the upshot of it all was that Neil overwhelmed them with his scientific knowledge, so they had to bring in a 'big gun' from a NZ university to try and argue him down. Neil was able to get this professor to realise and admit he had made a mistake. They got into private email contact away from the horrible atmosphere of the Hot Topic public blog, and Neil has been able to calmly and sensibly explain quite a few things to this man who has now conceded that Neil is correct in his assertions.

What this says to me is that we need to keep politely challenging these other people who are so often acting on an emotive basis with no scientific knowledge to back up their claims. Yes, you will always get some nutters who will not change their minds no matter what you say. BUT..... I am optimistic enough to hope that by engaging with some of these people on their own turf there is a chance that they may listen to what we have to say, and they may come to realise that perhaps they are being 'fed' a load of garbage.

*****suggested action point*****

Another suggestion is from Paul, outlined in his email:

I was disappointed to read of the renewed speaking tour campaign by Gen Zero.

I exchanged a few e-mails with one of their spokesmen last year and it seemed they were acknowledging reality for a while there. But maybe it was just that one guy seeing the light...

Anyway:

*I think it would be useful for members of the newsletter to **contact the local sponsors of this tour and remind them not all who buy their products will continue to do so if they support this group** that wants to increase our cost of living standard and limit our freedoms at the end of the Day.*

The sponsors on the Gen Zero website are below:

I'm disappointed to see Whittakers Chocolates there. They were big Motorsport supporters / competitors and they import most of their ingredients...don't they see that anything involved with Racing Cars and imports' Food miles will be penalized to align with Gen Zero goals? I'll be reminding them.

- [Pandoro Panetteria](#)
- [Kohu Road Ice Cream](#)
- [Health2000](#)
- [Commonsense Organics](#)
- [Purebread](#)
- [Whittakers](#)
- [Ceres](#)
- [Pic's Really Good Peanut Butter](#)
- [Peoples Coffee](#)
- [All Good Banana's](#)
- [Veggie Boys](#)
- [Scarborough Fair](#)
- [Sanitarium](#)
- [Harvest Whole Foods](#)
- [Quakers in Aotearoa](#)
- [Harraway Oats](#)

It avoids direct head butting with the fanatics and we have every right as consumers to go elsewhere:

I used the text below to my former preferred Porridge supplier Harraways: (a pity as it's a good old NZ company with a fine product)

It's not the greatest bit of writing - but I felt re-enforcing the point their sponsorship impacts my pocket, and that's not a clever move in business:

in Bold below:

I nearly choked on this morning's Fruitful Porridge when I read you guys are sponsoring the Gen Zero's upcoming speaking tour.

With your assistance the "Gen Zero" Doomsayers will now tour the country telling us how evil we are for using petrol to run our cars to get to our jobs, to mow our lawns and cut down trees with our chainsaws,..because those devices produce that harmless plant food CO2.

They are saying I must pay extra for this CO2 production ...and now I guess you agree?

I know as producers of food you are worried the importing of ingredients that clock up "Food Miles" must be penalised for Gen Zero to attain their stated goals. Maybe you felt your support of this group would somehow offset your supposed environmental sins?

Being energy efficient and environmentally conscious is a laudable goal, supporting a group promoting unrealistic schemes that can only increase New

Zealanders cost of living and and limit our freedoms is very disappointing.

I'd suggest a more practical and relevant local environmental sponsorship would be supporting NZ Waterways clean up instead.

Till then my loyalty to the Harraways brand will cease.

I hear that Uncle Toby's isn't that bad....

Cheers

Paul

We would be very interested to be sent details of how people get on with these action points.

Esther

Agenda 21

Most readers will be familiar with the name of Agenda 21, a United Nations blueprint for the 21st century.

On Saturday we publicised a planned protest in Christchurch against Agenda 21.

This drew a variety of responses, from those who congratulated us and sent their wishes of support to Geof, to those who cautioned us about being identified with the lunatic fringe.

I find Agenda 21 a vexing subject as any mention of it does tend to raise the spectre of 'conspiracy theories' and other such emotive dismissals.

I have taken a long time to become more fixed in my opinion about Agenda 21. I have read about it, started to read the document itself (it's 385 pages long- I've read some of it carefully and skimmed the rest), read quite a few summaries, commentaries etc- I confess the thing that really motivated me to get more concerned was the search I did on the MfE website. As of today (Thursday 25th July) there are 164 results when the searchwords 'Agenda 21' are put into the site's search box.

A quick scan reveals that Hamilton City Council, Palmerston North City Council, Rotorua District Council Waimakariri District Council, Waipa District, Christchurch City Council, Waitakare City Council (Project Twin Streams) have all been involved with Agenda 21 legislation to some extent- and I'm sure a more thorough search would find many more local councils throughout New Zealand.

Dunedin, Kapiti, Palmerston North and Auckland are all members of ICLEI (International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives), with Christchurch and Hamilton having been members in the past.

Agenda 21 is linked to the whole supposed climate scare because that is what is being used as a lever to push through environmental initiatives and legislation in which the rights of the individual are being sacrificed to the rights of 'the collective'.

Esther

[Report](#) from Christchurch protest:

Geof

Here is a really informative [interview with Reid Rosenthal](#) about Agenda 21 and property rights in the US.

Enjoy!

Karen

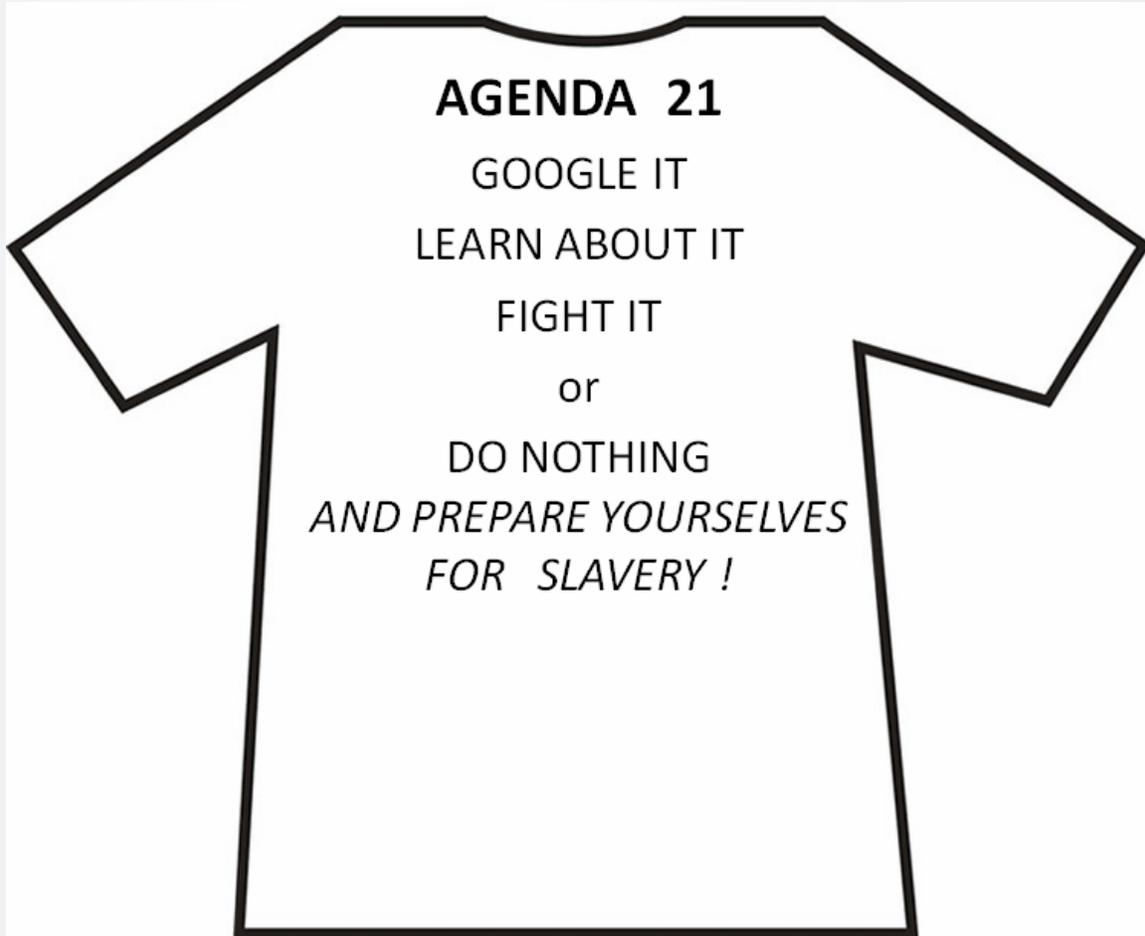
So [is this kind of thing](#) Agenda 21 at work?

Mischele

*****suggested action point*****

Hi Esther,

An idea that I came up with a few weeks ago as a cheap (no licence from council to protest) way to make a point against or motivate people to find out more about AGENDA 21 is to **get a "T" shirt printed BOTH SIDES with the words** as follows:



p.s. I'm prepared to walk up and down Lambton Quay and Cuba Streets Wellington wearing one.

I ask nearly everybody I meet apart from family and always ask them, "Do you know about AGENDA 21." The answer is always "no." You can pass this on.

Regards,

Don

John Maunder's Future Climate

The "Maunder Minimum" is the name given to the period from 1650 to 1700 when the number of sunspots became almost zero. The period is named after the famous solar astronomer Edward Walter Maunder (1851-1928) who, while working at The Royal Observatory, Greenwich discovered the dearth of sunspots during the 1650-1700 period. During one 30 year period within the Maunder Minimum there were only about 50 sunspots compared with a more typical 40,000. This period coincided with very cold conditions over many areas of the world.

This site is dedicated to my name sake, time will tell whether a further Maunder Minimum with all its consequences will occur in our lifetime.

[My latest climate web site](#). Please open web page if you are interested.

Regards

John Maunder

Wind Farms

There were two damning bits in the May 15th edition of the Brit magazine 'Country Life'. It's actually quite green, with occasional input from HRH Charles. He who talks to flowers and thinks 'AGW is the greatest threat facing mankind' yet keeps about six palaces, castles and mansion houses warm.

One was a letter from a lady mourning that '...wind farms had wrecked the once sublimely beautiful landscape of the Southern Upland...what *are* we doing to our beautiful landscapes?' And an editorial titled: 'Climate-change fight is all at sea' (I guess that was intentional). Therein it observes that 400 ppm of CO2 has come and gone with barely murmur, and 'The Kyoto process has failed'. It suggests we need to find ways of adapting to change. Nothing new there, we've been doing it for ages. It notes that '...human agency can be effective, even against a force as mighty as the sea' and cites Holland as an example of what can be achieved.

The tide may be turning. That *is* intentional!

I see NASA now says the Earth is cooling *because* CO2 is a coolant. It's all too hard for a geriatric like me to grasp. I reckon sun and cloud are the two major influences on surface temperatures. No cloud = Hot. Cloud cover = Cold.

AMEN

jc

Esther,

I have the [UK gridwatch](#) site on my browser bar and frequently (sic) refer to it to see how the wind is blowing "back home". What a sobering indictment of the futility of 4000+ eco-crucifixes.

Notice how the UK is wholly dependent upon the base load produced by nuclear in particular, and coal. Gas makes up the peaking capacity and everything else is irrelevant.

The 4000+ towers are rated to a total of about 8Gw capacity and occasionally peak to actual 4Gw delivered, but this is very sporadic and spikey and causes more instability to the grid than anything else. One wonders why the electricity industry does not comment on this.

Even more perplexing is why electricity generators such as Meridian make a virtue of it when it is clearly uneconomic (there are few if any subsidies in NZ).

If anyone out there knows better, please enlighten me.

Ken

The rush to windmills in Germany seems entirely delusional, fascist and fraudulent. This [Der Spiegel article](#) explores what is going on. The environmentalists seem to be turning on themselves or at least the warmunists for destroying their environment with eco-crucifixes.

But clearly everyone is making money out of it...for now.

Ken

BBC interview of Ed Davey

The BBC has an interviewer who takes CAGW skepticism seriously now..... giving a TORY Minister (Ed Davey) [a roasting](#) over the fraud..... beautiful....!

Phil H

Ten Years “Accelerated Global Warming”?

The latest from Christopher Monckton: [No, Mr President!](#)

Terry

Politicized Science leads to Impoverishment

We recently came across an article entitled "[Obama to unveil climate change plan with sweeping emissions cuts](#)".

Evidently, president Obama urgently wants to do something about altering the recently rechristened 'global warming'. It has been rechristened mainly because the earth has stopped getting warmer 15 years ago.

As such, 'climate change' is actually the perfect promotion for extending political control of the economy further: since the climate is always changing, there is now *always* a reason to curb property rights further, extend the sphere of central economic planning by the State, increase taxation and subsidize one's political cronies.

It's perfect. And yet, from the point of view of an imperialistic State, it is really a very bad idea.

Here is the [Polititized Science Leads to Impoverishment](#) article.

Of interest perhaps?

Don

See also:

Good morning Esther/ Neil

Well for the middle of summer I can tell you England is cold, I was warmer in Gissy when I left than I have been since I got back. However I saw this today and thought, Isn't the Economist Jeremy Muir's [preferred paper of deference](#)?

Oh the fun to be had if we enjoyed doing the "told you so" routine !!

Regards

Adrian

(Esther's note: Jeremy Muir is the Gisborne Herald Editor- he has long printed climate debate material in his paper but the skeptics' contributions are always run past NIWA before publication).

Carbon Sense

Common sense on carbon, food, energy and climate. www.carbon-sense.com

We are in a battle for public opinion.

If every recipient sends this email to five more, we will play our part in changing public opinion.

Latest newsletter: [**Zero Emissions Foolishness**](#)

Links from Sonya:

What's wrong with the Met Office- by Rupert Darwall - [The Spectator](#)

Paper finds the Alps were nearly ice-free 2000 years ago during the Roman Warming Period- Marc Morano - [Climate Depot](#)

Sunspots and the Great Cooling Ahead- Jeffrey Folks - [American Thinker](#)

The Greens can't defy gravity. They're finished. Tim Montgomerie - [The Times](#)

Sonya

[**Oil Discovery**](#)

Fred

AD BREAK:

Two books well worth buying:

Climate Change: Natural or Manmade?

by Joe Fone

Available at Whitcoulls

Taxing Air - Facts and Fallacies about Climate Change
- by Bob Carter and John Spooner
