

Dear (insert your MP's name here)

### **Help Defend People and Nature**

I'm writing to urge you to do all you can to put a stop to the UK Government's outrageous attack on nature. I'm deeply concerned that the Retained EU Law (Reform and Revocation) Bill threatens to tear up the basic wildlife protections we've relied upon for nearly 50 years.

The UK Government is dismissing environmental protections as 'burdens', yet our economy depends upon everything that nature provides – from food production to clean air and water, and so much more. The removal of these laws, whether in Westminster or the devolved administrations, is a direct threat to nature and society's well-being. Long standing environmental protections like the Habitats regulations, Water Quality regulations, Wild Birds regulations and Bathing Waters regulations are at risk.

The Government was elected in 2019 on a manifesto pledge to deliver the "most ambitious environmental programme of any country on earth". The weakening of vital environmental protections is a 180-degree U turn on that promise, which the Government has no mandate to follow.

This bill allows UK Government ministers to act in policy areas that are devolved. The speed at which the legislation is being pursued carries an unacceptable risk that vital laws, for the protection of nature and people, simply drop off the UK statute book at the end of 2023, without sufficient time for real scrutiny or assessment of impact.

We are in the midst of a nature and climate emergency, so we simply cannot afford to lose these vital protections as is being proposed by the UK Government.

Please help me defend nature by doing all you can to urge the Prime Minister and the Government to put a stop to this attack and instead ramp up action to protect our wildlife, our climate, and our future.

Yours sincerely

(Your name)