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Rt. Hon. Rishi Sunak MP
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Dear Mr Sunak

Re: National Emergency Briefing on the Climate and Nature Emergencies

I am writing to you on behalf of groups within your constituency that are working on addressing the climate and nature emergencies. We hope you have had an opportunity to see one of the screenings of the People's Emergency Briefing film in your constituency. The overwhelming response from those attending has been to ask you to back a Parliamentary Call for a televised emergency briefing introduced by the PM and delivered by independent experts.

At least 9 screenings have been held so far across your constituency, from Great Ayton to Leyburn, with over 400 people attending. Nationally there have been over 4,300 screenings already with another 1,500 planned. Having seen the film locally, participants were asked two questions:
Question 1. What is your personal response related to the issues raised in the film?
Question 2. Given the scale of the challenges that we face, what kind of response are we asking from government?
Here are some of the responses which reflect the feedback from the events:

- Despite the very serious and concerning data about the state of the climate and nature crises, there is a very hopeful message: we can do something about the situation but it requires a campaign of well-informed national briefings to dispel misinformation on these issues.
- We need a cross-party parliamentary response to the challenges, like the collaborative response to the Second World War.
- Parliament needs to take the lead on the crises. The required response and culture needs to be set from the top.
- Make the climate and nature crises, and the required response, mainstream (like the response to Covid was). There needs to be a consistent focus and not simply linked to campaigning around the parliamentary election cycle.
- The government should increase their financing of efforts to combat the resulting effects of climate change on our planet, both in this country and by supporting smaller, poorer countries abroad.

A petition '**Hold a UK-wide briefing on climate and nature risks**', asking for "a credible national briefing from independent experts which would give people clear, trusted guidance on what these risks mean in practice, and what we can do - both together and individually - to prepare and respond.", is to be debated in Parliament. You have previously said you recognise the urgency of tackling climate change and protecting the beautiful landscape in our area, therefore we urge you to attend the debate on 16th November.

Yours sincerely

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On behalf of the local groups: Climate Action Stokesley and Villages, Climate Action Northallerton, Richmondshire Climate Action Partnership