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Subject: Climate Change Bil

Consultation of forestry provision in the Climate Change Bill

I am writing to express my concern and opposition to the leasing of Forestry Commission Land with felling rights to private companies as a means of releasing capital. I had always viewed Forestry Commission Land as a national asset, infact the consultation paper itself describes them as a "National Treasure". Do not lease off our forests, they belong to the people and I for one want to see them managed and maintained by the Forestry Commission.

My submission is late, but I hope it will be included. I heard no reference to the potential leasing off of land as part of a consultation in the media and as such have concerns that the leasing off of land was somewhat buried in the Climate Bill. One has to read very closely to find reference to the releasing of assets.

Please do not proceed with this part of the Climate Change Bill, you acknowledge yourselves that the woods contribute greatly to environmental, educational, health and recreation targets.

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