

Tuesday, 16 May 2017

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for contacting me regarding this issue.

I am very glad to see that you have raised this issue with your potential parliamentary representatives. Climate change is a huge threat to our futures. Indeed it already harms the planet and many who live on it, particularly in some of the world's most fragile and vulnerable regions.

I am proud to support the goals of the divestment movement. The activities of fossil fuel companies are incompatible with limiting global warming to 1.5 degrees. We cannot afford to burn the fossil fuel reserves we already know of, yet alone explore for and exploit more. I am glad to say I have already;

- Demanded the University of Cambridge end its significant investments in fossil fuel industries
- Asked my trade union, UNISON, to officially adopt the goals of divestment and campaign for the pension funds of its members to divest

You are correct to say these activities represent a serious threat to the planet, as well as a significant financial threat to the economy and the interests of those who invest with them. Our elected representatives should be setting an example and should be demanding their pension fund ends its investments with fossil fuel companies.

As such I am glad to inform you that I have signed your pledge and will campaign for the MP's pension fund to divest if I am elected.

Thank you for your e-mail and please don't hesitate to contact me again if I can be of any further assistance.

Yours Sincerely,



Stuart Tuckwood
Parliamentary candidate for Cambridge