

What is COP26?

As you may (or may not) know, COP – the world’s biggest climate summit – was due to take place in Glasgow in November 2020. Unfortunately, as with many other things, this isn’t able to take place due to the covid crisis. However, the good news is that the summit has now been rearranged for November 2021!

The climate talks will be the biggest international summit the UK has ever hosted; bringing together over 30,000 delegates including heads of state, climate experts and campaigners to agree on how the world can work together to tackle climate change.



This incredible event will put Glasgow, Scotland and the UK centre-stage and give us all an amazing opportunity to get involved in the conversation. By working together, we have an opportunity to build a cleaner, greener, brighter future for our children, grandchildren, wildlife and our planet.

For more information on COP26, please click [here!](#)

Further Reading

In November 2021, the UK will host COP26 (the 26th UN Climate Change Conference) for the first time. Representatives from 196 nations from around the world are expected to attend the summit in Glasgow, including heads of state, climate experts and campaigners to agree on how the world can work together to tackle climate change.



Why Glasgow?

Glasgow is often translated as meaning 'Dear Green Place' and is 4th in the world, and highest in the UK, in the Global Destination Sustainability Index – making it the perfect place to host a sustainable COP. Surrounded by the river, the city and its parks, the location will inspire attendees to tackle climate change and protect the planet for future generations.

The Paris Agreement

At COP21 in 2015, the Paris Agreement was signed which said that countries must come forward every 5 years to show how they are working towards reducing greenhouse emissions and present revised plans to meet targets. COP26 will be the first time countries will officially revise their plans for this, which makes this conference especially important.

Postponing the Summit

The covid crisis made it impossible to host the conference this year due to distancing guidelines and travel restrictions, but world leaders and activists have come forward to say that postponing the summit should not mean postponing our tackling of the climate crisis.

Many scientists believe that the recovery from covid offers countries a good opportunity to come up with clever, bold new strategies to reduce their negative impact on the environment. In fact, many of the economic recovery packages (money given to businesses and governments) come with guidelines that say they must be used to rebuild the economy with sustainability and environmental impact in mind.

Get Involved

Having this historical event in Scotland will give us all an amazing opportunity to get involved with the climate conversation. There will be events all over the UK, including at Dynamic Earth!

Make sure you keep your eyes peeled closer to the time for ways to better understand how humans are impacting the environment; be inspired by stories of incredible people around the globe coming up with clever ideas that can reduce our negative impact; and find out how we can all help and work together to protect the planet for the future.

