



# IEMA South West Coffee Morning

20<sup>th</sup> January 2021

# Welcome & Housekeeping

- This event will last for around one hour
- We aim to have a discussion - so please get involved!
- How to raise a question or make a comment
- This event will be recorded



## Agenda

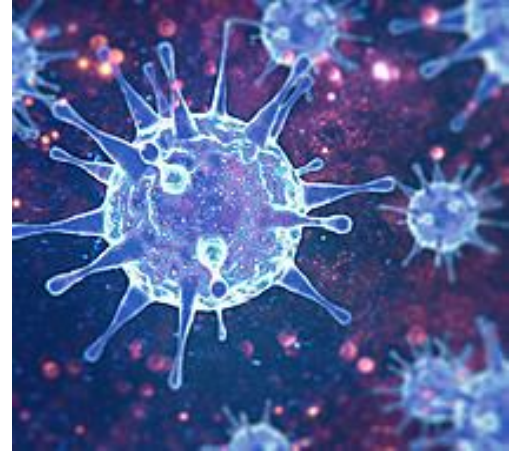
- Introduction to IEMA's four key areas for 2021:
  - Build Back Better
  - The Biodiversity Crisis
  - The Climate Emergency
  - The Environment Bill
- Future SW events & social media pages
- Introductions (get to know your regional network)
- Discussion on IEMA's key areas for 2021.
- AOB & Close



# Build Back Better

In July, IEMA launched its Build Back Better position statement in response to COVID-19. It outlines five objectives necessary for a green and sustainable recovery:

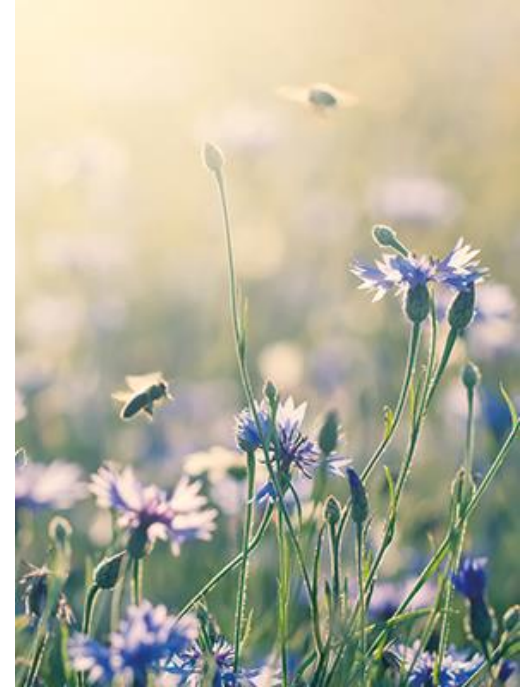
- Set clear expectations that require and enable sustainability across the public and private sectors.
- Invest in skills, training and jobs that level up society and address social problems.
- Support placemaking, community connection and wellbeing.
- Invest in infrastructure that delivers sustainable economic, social and environmental outcomes.
- Support and promote business models and collaborative decision-making that can resolve sustainability challenges and trends.



# The Biodiversity Crisis

Over the past 50 years, humans have dramatically altered ecosystems. These changes have contributed to substantial gains in human well-being and economic development but have been achieved at the cost of biodiversity. These costs to biodiversity are substantial and often irreversible.

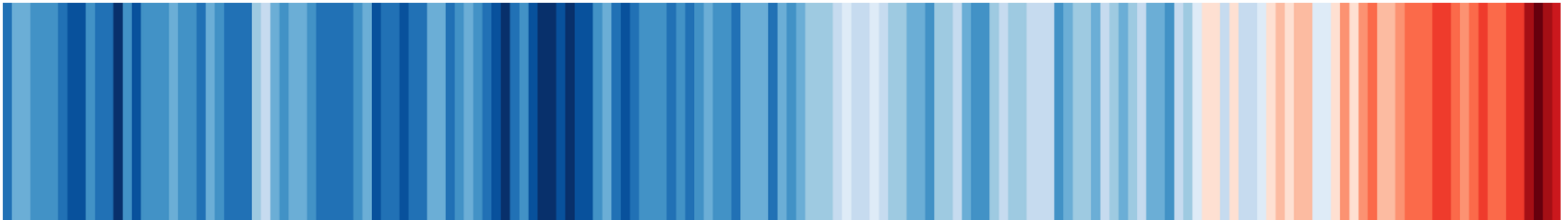
Biodiversity Net Gain is an important approach to development that leaves biodiversity in a better state than before. It encourages developers to provide an increase in natural habitat and ecological features over and above that which is being affected.



# The Climate Emergency

Global carbon emissions must reach net zero by 2050 in order to keep global warming below the critical +1.5°C 'tipping point' threshold for ecosystems, human health and well-being. Urgent action is required at all levels for us to meet this target, from Governments through to individuals.

## Warming Stripes 1850 to 2019:



Each strip represents one year of global temperature, dark blue for cooler years and dark red for warmer years.

# The Environment Bill

The Environment Bill sets out a new environmental governance framework as the UK leaves the European Union's environmental policy and legislative structures. It will set in law significant new governance structures for managing and improving the environment together with more specific measures on waste and resources, air quality, water and nature and biodiversity.

In part, the proposals seek to fill the governance gap as the UK leaves the EU, however; measures are also included to tackle significant environmental challenges including the plastics crisis, biodiversity loss and air pollution.





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# Future events

- We'd love to hear about the events you'd like the SW Steering Group to organise in 2021. Please send us your ideas and suggestions in the chat throughout this event.
- Find us on LinkedIn/Facebook under 'IEMA South West'.





# Over to you...

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## Introductions

- Name
- Location
- Job role and who you work for
- Career area or subject you are studying

## Build Back Better / The Biodiversity Crisis / The Climate Emergency / The Environment Bill

- What do these topics mean to you?
- How do these impact your area of work? ...or the subject you are studying?
- What do you think are the largest opportunities or challenges?