

XR FORRES
SONGS FOR THE CLIMATE (1): Feb 2020

WE NEED TO WAKE UP

To the tune of Bella Ciao. Words Anon??

**We need to wake up
We need to wise up
We need to open our eyes
And do it now now now
We need to build a better future
And we need to start right now**

**We're on a planet
That has a problem
We've got to solve it, get involved
And do it now now now
We need to build a better future
And we need to start right now.**

**Let's make it greener
Let's make it cleaner
Let's make it last, make it fast
and do it now now now
We need to build a better future
And we need to start right now.**

**No point in waiting
Or hesitating
We must get wise, take no more lies
And do it now now now
We need to build a better future
And we need to start right now!**

TREAD GENTLY ON THE EARTH

**Tread Gently on the Earth
Breathe Gently of the Air
Lie Gently in the Water
Touch Gently to the Fire
(Carolyn Hillyer)**

THE PROTECTION OF EARTH'S BEAUTY

**The Protection of Earth's Beauty
Vitality and Diversity
Is a sacred trust, a sacred trust.
(words from The Earth Charter)**

EVERY PART OF THE EARTH

**1. Every part of the Earth is sacred to my people
2. We are part of the Earth and it is part of us
3. This we know the Earth does not belong to us,**

**We belong to the Earth,
4. Our God is the same God,
Our God is the same God.
(from words of Chief Seattle; Music: Anahata Iradah)**

**THIS IS AN EMERGENCY (Margot Henderson)
Hey people have you heard
Climate Change is costing the Earth
We need to talk and walk the walk
This is an Emergency**

**Hey people spread the word
We have to take care of this wonderful World
The birds and bees, the yous and mes
This is an Emergency**

**Hey people can't you see
This is an Emergency
There's not much time, dial 999
This is an Emergency**

BUILD A BRIDGE

**Let's work hand in hand
All across this land
Oh I know we can build a bridge
Long and high and wide
Cross the great divide
Yes I know it's time to build a bridge
(Alvin Slaughter)**

ONE BY ONE (Michael Stillwater)

**One by one everyone comes to remember
we're healing the world one heart at a time.**

WE SHALL OVERCOME (Trad)

**We shall overcome x3 some day
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe
We shall overcome, some day
We shall live in peace etc
We'll walk hand in hand etc
We are not afraid etc..... (today)**

MAIRI'S WEDDING (words: Bill Henderson)

**Step we gaily on we go,
Heel for heel and toe for toe
Arm in arm an' row an' row
Down the Forres High Street* (change to suit venue)**

**1. In our jobs, our homes and schools
Stop our use of fossil fuels,**

**Stop or it will be too late,
Too late to save our climate.**

**2. Will the land round here stay dry?
No and here's the reason why
'cos the fossil fuels we use
Really are bad news**

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SONGS FOR THE CLIMATE (2): Feb 2020

THIS PLANET'S ALL WE GOT

(To tune of This Train is bound for Glory) Words: Bill Henderson

**This planet's all we got, O yeah!
This planet's all we got, O yeah!
This planet's all we got,
Let's make sure she don't get too hot cos'
This planet's all we got, O yeah!**

*Let's change the things we do, O Yeah!
Let's change the things we do, O Yeah!
Let's change the things we do,
And that means change for me and you, so
Let's change the things we do, O Yeah!*

*If there's no change that's it, O Yeah!
If there's no change that's it, O Yeah!
If there's no change that's it,
We'll all end up in deepest shit, 'cos
If there's no change that's it, O Yeah!*

*or if you prefer:

we'll all end up in a deep, dark pit, 'cos

I'M GONNA SING FOR THIS WORLD

(To tune of I'm gonna sing, sing, sing.) Words: Bill Henderson

**I'm gonna sing, sing, sing
I'm gonna dance, dance, dance
I'm gonna sing, I'm gonna dance for this World
With its land and air and sea
It is home for you and me
I'm gonna sing, I'm gonna dance for this World.**

NOW IT'S TIME TO TAKE A STAND

(To tune of When the Saints)

**O now it's time, to take a stand
So come with us now, hand in hand
and march along and join our number
Now it's time to take a stand.**

AND THAT S WHAT WE WILL DO

(To tune of Soon I will be done with the troubles of the World)

Words: Bill Henderson, *with new additions in italics*)

**The world is getting warmer & it's time for us to act
it's time for us to act, *now* it's time for us to act,
The world is getting warmer & it's time for us to act
And that's what we will do!**

**CHORUS: No more, messing with the climate x3
Gonna try and heal the Earth**

**The MPs and the bankers *now* it's time to tell the truth,
it's time to tell the truth, *now* it's time to tell the truth,
The MPs and the bankers *now* it's time to tell the truth,
And that's what we will do! CHORUS**

**We'll sing & march & protest, until we get a change,
until we get a change, *yes*, until we get a change.**

**We'll sing & march & protest, until we get a change,
And that's what we will do! CHORUS**

**Come join the global movement & listen to your heart,
listen to your heart *now just* listen to your heart.**

**Come join the global movement & listen to your heart
And that's what we will do! CHORUS**

for sea level rise events

**The world is getting warmer and the seas are gonna rise,
the seas are gonna ri-se, the seas are gonna rise**

**The world is getting warmer and the seas are gonna rise,
Now tell us what's your plan.**

THE EARTH BOAT SONG

to the tune of The Skye Boat Song. Words: Bill Henderson.

**The Earth is a boat, a-sailing through space,
Circling round the Sun.**

**Carry us all, the whole human race,
there's plenty for everyone.**

**But some are in need because of our greed
it's high time to question what's right.
If more of us give so more of us live
a future that's healthy and bright.**

I am VERY happy for these to be used, shared, added to, varied and improved on. Very happy to be told about any such alterations. Please get in touch if you want me to to sing you the tunes. billhendersonmusic@gmail.com. I ask forgiveness here if I have breached any copyright of the original composers.