

Graduate Union Divestment Working Group

5 PM, 9 March 2019 in Sidney Sussex College

Attendance:

1. Mrityunjay Guha Majumdar (*Chair*)
2. Logan Malik
3. Alejandra Lozano
4. Nicolas Castel
5. Marcel
6. Ahsan Memon
7. Sara Naima

After the successful completion of the Clare Hall campaign for complete divestment of College funds from fossil fuel companies, the GU Working Group strategized to build on this success with the help of Logan Malik, who headed the Clare Hall divestment group.

In the meeting the following main points and suggestions were put forward:

1. Increasing Awareness on
 - a. Divestment
 - b. Realities of investment of University and colleges in fossil fuels
 - c. What has been done to actively tackle this problemThis could be with one of the following approaches
 - d. Workshops on divestment and climate justice for MCR Green Officers and/or all members of MCRs. This will be done in collaboration with MCRs in their respective colleges.
 - e. Newsletter/bulletin blurb and pieces to increase student awareness and engagement on divestment.
2. Development of a divestment tool-kit for helping MCRs campaign within their colleges on divestment and linking them with the larger GU Working Group. This is being done in collaboration with Zero Carbon Society and they have offered to help build on their existing JCR toolkit for graduate students as well.
3. We will be trying to have the divestment discussion and debate in light of the larger discussion on climate justice, with associated events for the same.
4. Working towards a strong launch in Michaelmas term, especially around Freshers' Week. This would include having leaflets and information on the Divestment Campaign of the Graduate Union at the Freshers' Fair.

Meeting ended at 6 PM.

If you would like to be more actively involved or have any queries regarding this campaign, please write to vice-president@gradunion.cam.ac.uk