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## SPECIAL MOTION NO. 2 – CLIMATE EMERGENCY

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Standing in the names of:

- (i) Councillor Bora Kwon
- (ii) Councillor Jonathan Caleb-Landy

This Council notes with concern the recent Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report on global climate change impacts<sup>1</sup> and the recent Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)<sup>2</sup> reports on global species and habitat loss.

Further to this, Council:

1. Declares its recognition of global climate and biodiversity emergencies.
2. Agrees the Council will:
  - Set up a new cross-cutting climate change emergency unit to accelerate its strategy and actions across all Council departments and activities.
  - Initiate an independent, resident-led, climate change emergency commission to publicly develop ground-breaking policies that tackle climate change.
  - Set a target date of 2030 for the whole of the Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham to be carbon neutral.
  - Review our resident-led commissions on air quality and biodiversity to consider how the Council can further strengthen local protection and enhancement of species, habitats and ecosystems and air quality systems under available powers.
3. Requests that the Chief Executive write to the Chancellor of the Exchequer stating the concern of the Council with respect to the above, the likely national impact on the economy and on the well-being of citizens, and requesting government funding be made available to implement swift appropriate actions in response.

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<sup>1</sup> The IPCC report on climate impacts: [www.ipcc.ch/sr15/](http://www.ipcc.ch/sr15/)

<sup>2</sup> The IPBES report on biodiversity: [www.ipbes.net/global-assessment-report-biodiversity-ecosystem-services](http://www.ipbes.net/global-assessment-report-biodiversity-ecosystem-services)