



Wildlife and  
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## Joint Links further submission to the European Commission

This response is submitted on behalf of the Joint Links which comprises Wildlife and Countryside Link, Scottish Environment LINK, Wales Environment Link and Northern Ireland Environment Link. Each is a coalition of environmental voluntary organisations, united by their common interest in the conservation of nature and the promotion of sustainable development across the terrestrial, freshwater and marine environments.

Each Link represents its member organisations and facilitates their shared efforts in profiling environmental issues and concerns with decision makers, opinion formers, media and the public. Where appropriate, the Links also facilitate cross-border collaboration between their members and working groups on issues of UK-wide impact and concern.

The Joint Links collectively represent 224 organisations and more than 8,000,000 members across the UK.

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