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Please find attached a letter from Stephen Trotter, Chief Executive of Cumbria Wildlife Trust with 3 key questions for you and your party from our members, supporters and staff.

Elliot Chapman-Jones, Head of Public Affairs at The Wildlife Trusts, says:

“Our data clearly shows Britain’s love for nature spans across the political divide and Wildlife Trust supporters are split evenly between voters for the two main political parties. But almost two thirds of our supporters are considering voting differently at the upcoming election – which means that those who are concerned about devastating nature loss could swing the result decisively.

Millions of Britons belong to nature organisations such as The Wildlife Trusts, dwarfing the membership of the country’s political parties. Our research shows they are calling out for political parties to offer bold plans ahead of the next election to restore nature, tackle water pollution, and halt climate change.

The upcoming election will be crucial for the future viability of life on our planet, yet some politicians have failed to grasp the depth of concern over disappearing wildlife and the impacts of climate change. Politicians and political parties will be judged by the electorate, and by history, on whether their plans can meet the scale of the challenge to halt the decline of nature and halve emissions by the end of the decade.”

The Wildlife Trusts have identified 5 Priorities for Action, for all political parties (also attached)

Responses from Parliamentary candidates in your constituency will be posted on our website in the coming days, and we look forward to receiving your response.