

Rt Hon. Sir Keir Starmer MP  
Prime Minister  
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Dear Prime Minister,

**We're writing on behalf of thousands of concerned parents and carers from around the UK to urge you to reject the Rosebank oil field.**

Firstly, we want to commend the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero on the recently released Scope 3 emissions guidance, which provides a credible and robust approach to assessing the emissions of oil and gas projects. We acknowledge the hard work that has gone into this and we're relieved to see this outcome. We're writing today to ask you to go further and reject the Rosebank oil field, which, if approved, would be a climate catastrophe.

**You'll know as a parent yourself, when your child is born your life changes.** A new, more powerful life purpose takes precedence – your child's happiness and safety. Now that we've got three years left to limit warming to 1.5C for a liveable planet, that purpose has become even more urgent. We're doing all we can to parent with hope in our communities. Thousands of us lead and join local initiatives for positive change, sign petitions, respond to consultations and write to our MPs. In fact, [research](#) tells us most parents have taken at least one action to combat climate change for their children. But it requires brave decisions from our leaders too.

[Two thirds of parents](#) say they are concerned about the impact of climate change on their kids. We worry about increased wildfires, floods, our local ecosystems, and the long-term health implications of our kids breathing toxic air from burning fossil fuels. But more than anything, we worry that not enough is being done to protect our liveable climate. **When our children ask, sorry won't be a good enough response.**

The Rosebank oil field is the first inescapable climate test for your government. Rejecting it would demonstrate your seriousness about protecting children's futures in line with your international climate commitments. Approving it, by contrast, would seriously undermine your credibility at a time when bold climate leadership is needed more urgently than ever.

Collectively we represent over 60,000 parents who believe the UK can lead on climate action and can be powered by renewable, green energy that will build a healthier, safer and more prosperous future for all children.

But we won't just sit and wish for this. We'll be relentless in our mission to make this future a reality because there is no greater motivation for us than our children. The science is clear. Just in the last few months [research from UCL](#) has warned that burning all the oil and gas in existing fields would produce approximately three times the amount of carbon dioxide needed to push the planet past the 1.5C limit. Any new oil and gas fields would further exacerbate that excess, but do little to secure our own energy security.

Prime Minister, as a parent and as a leader we implore you to reject Rosebank.  
**Protect all children's futures as if they were your own.**

We thank you for your leadership at this crucial moment.

Yours sincerely,

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