

Template email to General Election candidates

Subject: Can I count on you to protect children in [insert constituency] from harmful air pollution?

Dear [Insert name of candidate]

As a voter in [insert name of constituency] and a member of the [Clean Air Parents' Network](#), I am writing to ask you what action you will take, if elected, to tackle the illegal and harmful air children are breathing both in our area and across the country.

As I am sure you are aware, air pollution has incredibly damaging effects on children's health, and it is vital that urgent action is taken at all levels of government to deal with this public health crisis.

I'm particularly worried about air pollution in [insert name of constituency] because [add your own text here about your local air pollution issues].

[Insert as appropriate or add your own text: As a parent/carer/grandparent], I need to know that my MP will fight for the urgent action needed to clean up our air and save our children's lungs. To this end, I am asking you to make the following pledge.

If elected, I pledge to push for urgent and ambitious action to protect young lungs from illegal and harmful air pollution. This needs to happen through:

1. Urgent action to protect our children's health by tackling dirty air where they live, learn and play.
2. Getting the most polluting vehicles out of our towns and cities quickly through Clean Air Zones and providing practical help and support for people and businesses to move on to cleaner forms of transport.
3. Adopting ambitious new clean air laws that include a binding commitment to meet World Health Organization guideline levels for particulate matter pollution by 2030.

This is one of the issues that will determine who I vote for on 12 December. As such, I look forward to your confirmation that you will make the above pledge to ensure children in [insert name of constituency] can breathe cleaner air where they live, learn and play.

Kind regards,

[Insert your name AND home address so that candidates know you live in their constituency]

[1] The [Clean Air Parents' Network](#) is supported by the British Lung Foundation and ClientEarth and represents parents and carers of children across the country who want to help solve the UK's air pollution crisis. We are calling on all levels of government to take action to tackle illegal and harmful levels of air pollution so our children can grow up breathing cleaner and healthier air.