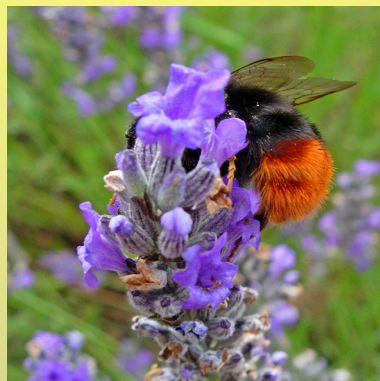
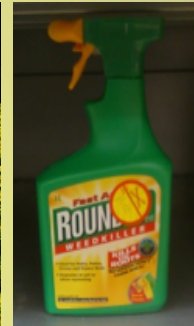


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Pesticide Action Network UK (PAN UK)

- **Operating globally for over 30 years**
- **The only UK charity focussed on all global pesticide issues**
- **Helped to eliminate some of the most hazardous pesticides used globally**
- **Trained 5000+ African farmers to switch to growing organic cotton**
- **Working with Latin American coffee growers to switch away from Endosulfan**
- **Historically worked to eradicate stockpiles of pesticides in Africa**
- **Currently working in former Soviet Republics on safe use of pesticides**

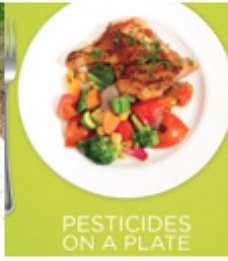


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- **Pesticide Free Towns**
- **Glyphosate and amateur pesticide use**
- **Working with retailers**
- **National Pollinator Strategy**
- **Bees and neonicotinoids**
- **Sustainable Use Directive**
- **Voluntary Initiative – Pesticides Forum – National Pollinator Strategy**
- **Food residues**
- **Human health**



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Why Pesticide Free Towns in the UK?

- Every year hundreds of tonnes of toxic pesticides are used in UK towns
- Pesticides are poisons designed to kill living organisms
- The most commonly used are glyphosate and 2,4-D, both probable carcinogens
- There is no reason to use pesticides in our towns
- 1000's of towns and cities around the world are pesticide free already
- The only thing we grow in our towns and cities is our children



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Why Pesticide Free Towns in the UK?

Glyphosate -

- Hugely controversial at the moment
- The most widely used herbicide in the world
- Used in agriculture, amenity and home and garden
- Linked to a variety of health and environmental issues
- It isn't just glyphosate – which is why it is a Pesticide Free campaign

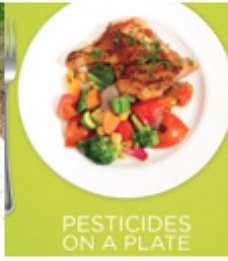




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Active Substance	Use	Acutely Toxic	Carcinogen	Cholinesterase Inhibitor	Developmental or Reproductive Toxin	Endocrine Disruptor
Glyphosate	Herbicide		Probable			
MCPA	Herbicide	Yes	Possible			
2,4-D	Herbicide		Probable			
MCPP	Herbicide		Possible			
Carbendazim	Fungicide		Possible			Suspected
Dicamba	Herbicide				Yes	
2,4-DP	Herbicide		Possible			
Iprodione	Fungicide		Yes			Suspected
Chlorpyrifos	Insecticide	Moderate		Yes		Suspected
Tebuconazole	Fungicide	Moderate	Possible			Suspected
Cypermethrin	Insecticide		Possible			Suspected
Chlorothalonil	Fungicide		Yes			
Dichlorprop	Herbicide		Yes			
Propiconazole	Fungicide	Moderate	Possible		Yes	Suspected
Metaldehyde	Molluscicide	Moderate	Possible			



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How - Pesticide Free Towns in the UK?

- Started our campaign in Brighton & Hove
- Announced the creation of the city's first "Pesticide Free Zone"
- Developed the campaign from the ground up using petitions, social media and other outreach
- Launched a national campaign
- Providing assistance and materials for individuals, groups and organisations to start their own local grassroots campaigns
- PAN UK will work with them and support them
- Higher level goal of new national legislation to ban use of non-agricultural pesticides in the UK



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Where - Pesticide Free Towns in the UK?

- Brighton & Hove
 - Hackney
 - Bristol
 - Portsmouth & Havant
 - Kensington & Chelsea
 - Wadebridge
 - Camden & Islington
 - South Shropshire
 - South Gloucestershire
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- And many other campaigns around the UK that we are supporting



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Progress - Pesticide Free Towns in the UK?

Brighton & Hove the first city to declare as pesticide free

- **PAN UK launched the campaign**
- **Met with council officers prior to the campaign**
- **Met with local MP and local councillors**
- **Gained public support**
- **Provided information to all councillors**
- **Created a public petition**
- **Agreed with a councillor to submit a motion to the council**
- **Delivered the petition to the council, wrote to and encouraged the council to support the motion**
- **A unanimous council decision**



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The Council agreed to:

- 1. Request the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee to request officers to use the opportunity of the end of the current weed spraying contract in April 2017 to end the use of Glyphosate in our city; and*
- 2. To request that the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee gives consideration to trying non-chemical and mechanical alternatives during the testing period due to start in July this year and asks officers to inform the Members of the Committee as to which alternatives are being trialled (by its meeting on 28 June) and report on the progress of those trials to the same Committee at its meeting on 29 November this year."*



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Progress - Pesticide Free Towns in the UK?

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- **PAN UK is now working with the Council officers to develop a trial, pesticide policy and contract specification guidelines**
- **PAN UK will be holding a symposium in Brighton on best practise**
- **Developing materials to inform the public about the trials and ensure that they remain supportive of the initiative**



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Where next - Pesticide Free Towns in the UK?

- Continue to ensure that Brighton succeeds
- Grow the existing campaigns – expect a win in Hackney in 6 months
- Develop at least ten further campaigns in the UK
- Work on legislation at EU and UK level
- Work closely with colleagues in the EU to share experiences and knowledge
- Use the experience of towns to raise the issue of pesticides in general to help us tackle agricultural pesticide issues



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Where next - Pesticide Free Towns in the UK?

We need your help and support – would you like to start a campaign?

You can find us on the web at:

www.pan-uk.org/pesticide-free-towns-and-cities

www.facebook.com/PesticideActionNetworkUK

Or drop PAN UK an email – pesticide-free@pan-uk.org

Thank You!