

## Save the bees

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British bees need our help! There's mounting evidence that some pesticides are killing bees. But the environment minister recently refused to support a European vote to stop the pesticides being used. Now we've got just a few weeks to change the minister's mind before he votes again.

Over 85,000 people have already signed the petition to demand he protects our bees, let's get it to over a 100,000 this week.

You can sign the petition here:

<https://secure.38degrees.org.uk/save-our-bees>

Bees and other insects pollinate about three quarters of our food, so it's incredibly important to protect them. Countries across Europe including France and Italy have listened to the mounting scientific evidence and already started banning these harmful pesticides. But our government is dragging its heels.

Previously when 38 Degrees members have stood up to protect wildlife we've achieved great things. 38 Degrees members joined together in our thousands and helped stop the government selling off our forests. We've pressured the government to postpone the badger cull. Recently, we've even helped stop the Lake District being turned into a nuclear waste dump.

Now it's time to protect our bees. Let's demand our government stands up to the powerful pesticide industry and takes action to protect our bees.

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