## **UK Government Blocks Neonicotinoid Ban**

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"Imagine a world in which the most widely used agricultural pesticides indiscriminately killed nearly all insects, including butterflies, beetles and moths.

Suppose that these pesticides were highly soluble in water and readily migrated into soil, where they killed decomposer organisms that maintain soil fertility, such as springtails and earthworms.

Further suppose that these pesticides persisted in the environment and contaminated streams and lakes, killing larvae of mayflies, stoneflies, dragonflies and other key components of the aquatic food chain.

And further suppose that populations of birds, bats, salamanders, frogs, fish, and other animals that feed on insects were crashing in catastrophic fashion.

These are facts. This is the world we live in today."

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Wikipedia: Neonicotinoid

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