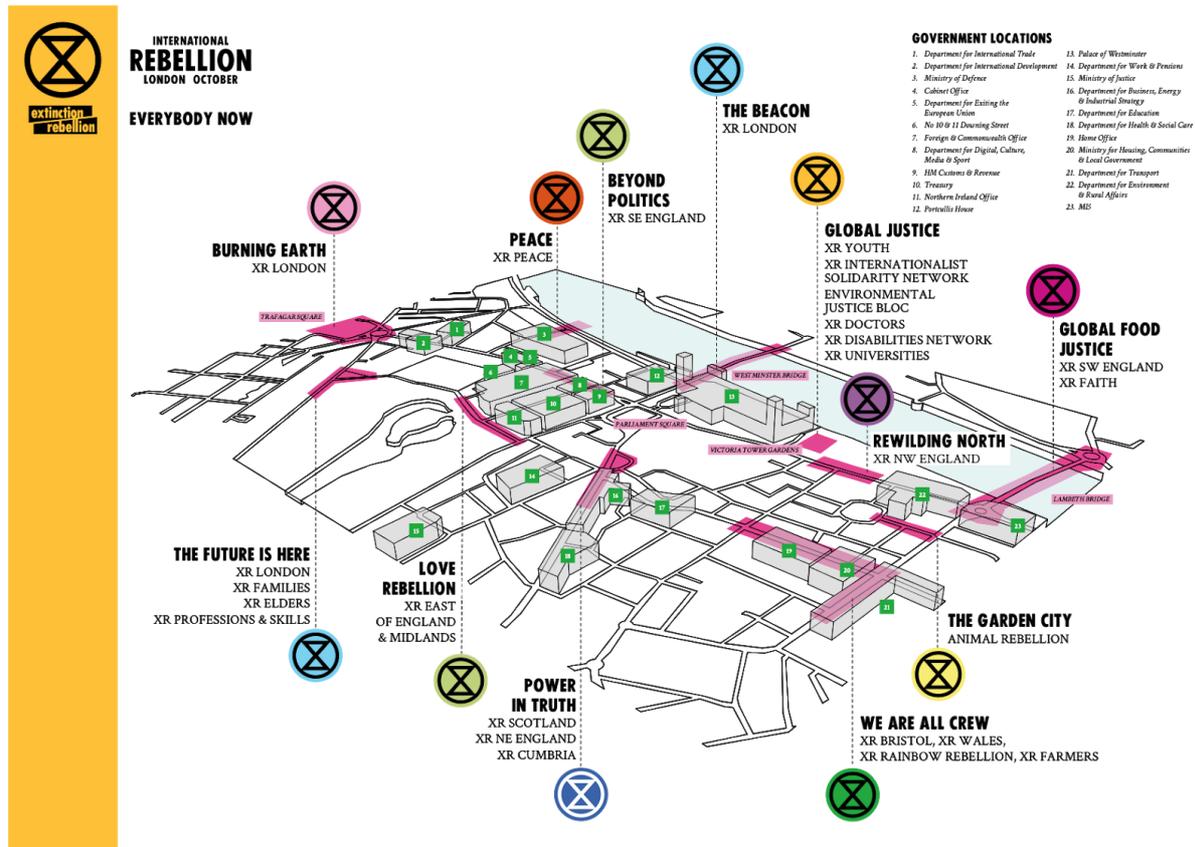


INTERNATIONAL REBELLION LONDON

Mass Action Briefing



INTRODUCTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL REBELLION

In October, thousands of rebels from across the UK are coming to London.

We will build pressure on the state to the point where their only option is to respond to our demands for change: **for truth, action and a democracy fit for purpose**. We will do this by three tactical elements - site 'blocks', mass participation actions and decentralised affinity group actions.

Part of the dilemma action is that however the state responds we will continue. To avoid burnout and movement splitting it is important to emotionally prepare and be detached from outcomes.

Read this [Regen and Wellbeing note](#) to prepare you and your group.

MASS PARTICIPATION ACTIONS

Mass participation actions are our opportunity to come together and create community through mass disruption. They will require significant numbers of people in order to be successful in bringing our demands to the forefront of conversation. They are focused on themes outlined in our [October Actions Design](#) document. Everybody is welcome.

Please consider that by attending you do risk arrest - and this can affect everyone differently - find out more [here](#).

To get involved in any of the mass participation actions please send an email to xractiondesignoctober@protonmail.com.

1ST WEEK

GOVERNMENT - TRUTH & JUSTICE

WESTMINSTER SITE BLOCKS

DAY: **Monday 7 October**
TIME: **Varies depending on site**
WHERE TO MEET: **Speak to the coordinator for your block location details**

ACTION - PLAN A

We will launch the October Rebellion by focusing on the Government and its fundamental failures to act in the face of climate and ecological collapse. The morning will be spent taking the 12 sites around Westminster and setting up our accommodation for the weeks ahead.

For a full briefing including a map of site locations around Westminster and FAQs on the Rebellion, see [here](#).

PLAN B

If you can't take / hold your planned site and *five or more* of the original sites are still held ... *all move to the nearest viable original site.*

PLAN C

If you can't take / hold your planned site, and *four or fewer* of the original sites are still held ... *all move to the nearest viable **PLAN C** site.*

All **PLAN C** sites are designed to be *more* disruptive than **PLAN A** sites. The **PLAN C** sites are:

- Vauxhall Bridge South Junction
- Waterloo Bridge South Junction (IMAX roundabout)
- Hyde Park Corner (Wellington Arch roundabout)

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS

DAY: **Tuesday 8 October - Ongoing**
TIME: **7am**
WHERE TO MEET: **Speak to your site action team or affinity group to decide**

ACTION

From the early hours Rebels will occupy / block all Government departments around Westminster to demand they tell us their plans for the emergency. Government Departments have been divided up between all regional groups. To find out which one you will be blocking, contact your site action coordinator.

The legislature has declared an emergency. So, we are asking the Government departments: *what is your emergency plan?*

SOLIDARITY WITH THE GLOBAL SOUTH

DAY: **Wednesday 9 October**
TIME: **6pm**
WHERE TO MEET: **Parliament Square**

ACTION

XR Argentina and XR Chile hold processions in memory of the 164 activists and defenders of the earth who were assassinated in the global south in 2018. Rebels in over 50 cities around the world are invited to support and take part in this coordinated international action.

A procession will be held at Parliament Square where participants will wear black, carry candles and a placard with the name of one of those earth protectors they are honouring.

TRANSPORT - ACT NOW

CITY AIRPORT: FLY TODAY, NO TOMORROW

DAY: **Thursday 10 October**
TIME: **Set off from Westminster sites at 7.30am**
WHERE TO MEET: **Gather in a group on your site - contact your action design coordinator**

ACTION

We will hold a peaceful mass sit-in to close City Airport for as long as possible. In small groups we will travel from our sites to the airport; by public transport, walking, cycling, and other means. If you want to make your own way head to city airport in the early morning and await the beginning of the mass action. We will sit in and around the airport and overwhelm it with our numbers, simply using our bodies, so we will not be using drones. Action Network form [here](#).

MIDDLE WEEKEND

GRIEF, REFLECTION & RESISTANCE - REGENERATION

After a week of action we will pause to refocus on why we have to act now; to reflect on life lost as a result of the climate and ecological breakdown.

The weekend will be filled with talks, inductions and trainings for new rebels, and regenerative activities across all sites, to ground us and allow us to consider why we are here.

***EXTINCTION MARCH* - GRIEF & RESISTANCE**

DAY: **Saturday 12 October**
TIME: **2pm**
WHERE TO MEET: **Imperial War Museum**

ACTION

In the midst of Rebellion, we will gather in solidarity with the thousands of people across the world who are already experiencing the worst effects of climate breakdown. We will stand together in resistance for global justice.

We will then march through London in an expression of profound grief for all we have lost, and continue to lose, during the 6th mass extinction that is already happening.

We will finish with a vision of the future that we want to build.

You are invited to join this procession and express yourself in accordance to the mourning rituals of your culture. Start in nature, end in nature. We unite in grief, rage and love for life on Earth.

To find out more about the day click [here](#).

***SILENCE & CONNECTION* - GRIEF & REFLECTION**

DAY: **Sunday 13 October**

TIME: **11am for 10mins**
WHERE TO MEET: **All Sites / blocks**

ACTION

There will be ten minutes of silence and stillness to connect to our deeper selves across all sites on Sunday as we reflect on the past week. We invite all sites to take time to reflect and be with grief through ceremony or sharing stories.

There will be a longer grief ceremony on the [Faith Bridge - Lambeth Bridge](#).

2ND WEEK

FOOD SECURITY - ACT NOW

HUNGER STRIKE

DAY: **Monday 14 October**
TIME: **Monday Morning**
WHERE TO MEET: **Parliament Square**

ACTION

This will be an unprecedented act of nonviolent protest: an international mass hunger strike taking place in cities all around the world. We will demand that our governments declare a climate and ecological emergency, set up legally binding citizens' assemblies, and oversee a just transition for all. [Info and sign-up here](#).

CITY OF LONDON: BANKING ON BREAKDOWN

There will be multiple elements to this action to ensure maximum disruption of the City of London. As a global financial centre, the City drives the neocolonial exploitation of people around the world and profits from the destruction of ecosystems.

The aim of the action is to block various transport access points in to the city of London. We will need people to get up early and ready to swarm in the morning.

To get involved, [sign up here](#).

DAY: **Monday 14, Tuesday 15 and Wednesday 16 October**
START TIME: **6.30am**
MEETING PLACE: **Festival Gardens, near St Paul's
Montague Close, behind Southwark Cathedral
Exchange Square Broadgate, behind Liverpool St Station**

SWARMING

There will be a follow-up action later on Monday, where people will be invited to occupy space that is vacated by the swarms.

DAY: Monday 14 October
START TIME: 10am
MEETING PLACE: Bank tube station, Threadneedle Street, EC3V 3LA

ACTION

Affinity groups will come together to hold mass actions across the City of London, disrupting roads, public transport, and financial institutions. This includes the Bank of England, which is the UK's central bank and regulates the financial sector. The sector's contribution to funding climate breakdown is driving us towards ecological collapse.

2ND WEEK CONTINUED

FOOD SECURITY - ACT NOW

NO FOOD NO FUTURE

DAY: TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER
START TIME: 10am
WHERE TO MEET: Outside M15, 12 Millbank, Westminster, London, SW1P 4QE

ACTION

We will come together for a feast to celebrate life, discuss food security, and share food on Vauxhall bridge. Affinity Groups will block the bridge with the people waiting nearby for the signal to join them on the road.

For more on information on this action click [here](#).

URBAN HARVEST

DAY: Wednesday 16 October
START TIME: Find out more at your site info tent
WHERE TO MEET: Info [here](#)

NOTE: You must attend climbing a training to do this action
ACTION TRAINING: 11, 12, 13 October

Description of the action

We will continue to highlight food insecurity on Wednesday. In particular our overreliance on imported food, and inability to feed ourselves from the land we live on.

Rebels will harvest street fruit trees around town while swarming extremely disruptive road blocks. This action will support all levels of Affinity Group, so everyone can find a place.

More info [here](#) and attend tree climbing trainings on the weekend before.

2ND WEEK CONTINUED

MEDIA AND GOVERNMENT - CITIZENS ASSEMBLY

NO SOCIAL MEDIA IN A DEAD SOCIETY - TELL THE TRUTH

DAY: Wednesday 16 October
START TIME: 10am
WHERE TO MEET: Meet outside Euston Square tube station

ACTION

The media is complicit in failing to tell the truth about climate and ecological collapse. This failure goes far beyond old print media. XR Youth are taking action against new media outlets for their role in spreading systematic disinformation on climate change and the ecological crisis, and in warping democracies around the world in favour of extractivist, climate-denialist regimes.

XR Youth will present their own voices and their hopes and fears for their future as an alternative to the life-destroying propaganda of fossil fuel interests.

Get involved by gluing onto the doors, 'redecorating' the facades of social media company HQs, swarming the surrounding roads, and by livestreaming or uploading videos and other content to the platforms being targeted.

THE PEOPLE'S SPEECH

DAY: Friday 18 October
START TIME: 12noon
WHERE TO MEET: Trafalgar Square

ACTION

In the face of ecological and climate breakdown, the Government needs to start taking action as soon as the new session of Parliament starts. The Queen's Speech, on 14th October, will set out the agenda for the coming parliamentary session. We will gather at Trafalgar Square and deliver The People's Speech, based on the demands of the rebels on the streets.

This will be accompanied by disruptive, creative actions.

OIL AND GAS SUMMIT

DAY: Thursday 17 October
TIME: 9am
WHERE: Andaz Liverpool Street Hotel, 40 Liverpool St, London, EC2M 7QN
WHERE TO MEET: Liverpool Street Station, Old Broad Street exit

ACTION

Governments, Regulators, and Authorities will descend on London to promote oil & gas globally. Governments must Tell the Truth and Act Now not continue to fund and support extraction of Oil and Gas and the burning of fossil fuels. Gas is not a green energy source. We will disrupt this. Affinity groups will disrupt other conferences during the rebellion that threaten all our futures.

POST-APOCALYPTIC REBEL AFTERPARTY

DAY: Friday 18 October
TIME: 8am
WHERE TO MEET: on the South Bank in front of the National Theatre

ACTION

The Rebellion has been intense, so it's time to have some fun for our last days and nights on the streets. But with our uncertain future looming ever closer and Hallowe'en just around the corner, it wouldn't be right unless we brought some of The Truth into our Rebellious revelry, no matter how harsh that truth is.

The theme for the party will be Mad Max: we'll be visioning the post-apocalyptic future, societal collapse and blasted Earth that the Rebellion is striving to avoid. So get your scary future Rebel on for Hallowe'en: think desert marauders, bloodstained berserkers and steampunk bandits. Dancers, DJs, musicians and performing artists are welcome to self-organise: come and show us your best for the party at the end of the world. For more details, see the [Facebook event](#).