# Chris Packham's controversial 'wanted' campaign against fossil fuel executives



Chris Packham, an acclaimed TV presenter and wildlife campaigner, has ignited controversy by placing “wanted-style” posters of oil company executives across the London Underground. The posters prominently feature the faces of notable figures in the fossil fuel industry, including Wael Sawan, CEO of Shell, and Murray Auchincloss, CEO of BP, accompanied by the stark indictment: “Wanted for murdering life on Earth”.

Packham's recent actions have been publicised on his social media account, X. In his posts, he elaborated on his motivations, stating, “Up until now we've focused on fossil fuel companies. But companies are made up of people - and these people know that they are working against the interests of all life on Earth. They need calling out.” He further emphasised his campaign goals, revealing his intent to initiate a petition in the UK advocating for a ban on fossil fuel advertisements and sponsorships. According to Packham, these corporations have had “unlimited £££ to greenwash their dirty reputations in schools, sports and everywhere in between - it must change.”

The campaign has elicited a range of reactions, leading to a heated debate on the appropriateness of Packham's methods. Critics have accused him of crossing a line, with remarks such as, “Absolutely appalling. How is this not bullying and persecution?” and “Bullying and harassment more like…Grow up.” Others have raised concerns regarding the safety of the individuals depicted in the posters, warning that such actions could put them at risk. One user labelled the initiative as “a despicable act,” suggesting that it could lead to possible repercussions for the featured executives.

Conversely, some supporters of Packham's cause have praised his boldness. Comments on social media included supportive sentiments such as “Well done” and suggestions for collaboration between environmental activists and industry leaders to prioritise sustainability.

Packham's initiative is backed by an online petition that has garnered over 42,000 signatures. The petition compares the manipulation of fossil fuel advertising to the UK's previous ban on tobacco advertisements, arguing for a similar restriction in the context of fossil fuels. According to the petition, fossil fuel companies reportedly invest over £4 billion on sports sponsorships, a move Packham criticises as a means of “greenwashing” their public image.

As the discourse surrounding environmental activism intensifies, Packham’s campaign continues to draw attention, prompting discussions about the responsibilities of corporations in the context of climate change and public perception.

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