

Press Release

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UK Hydrogen Strategy

In response to the Government's publication of its Hydrogen Strategy, Laura Bishop (chair of the Ground Source Heat Pump Association) said: "We welcome the Government's ambitions to develop the hydrogen economy in the UK. However, the country has to get moving with decarbonising heat if it's to reach the Net Zero targets. Heating peoples' homes by using green hydrogen may be an option – albeit a costly one - but is highly optimistic given the short timeframe that we have to address Net Zero and the climate emergency.

Heat pumps are a proven and efficient heating technology, and their costs will fall as investment in UK heat pump manufacturing and installation increases. We await the Government's Heat & Building Strategy that I'm sure will provide a clear roadmap for the UK to crack on with decarbonising the country's housing stock now, rather than at some uncertain time in the future."

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Notes to Editors:

The GSHPA brings together over 130 installers, consultants and other interested parties from across the UK ground and water source industry to develop a strong, dynamic and sustainable environment for low carbon heating and cooling systems that are based on heat capture, storage and transfer, including heat (and cooling) sharing networks and demand side management & response.

Ground and Water Source Heat Pumps systems are a long-term infrastructural investment. They are a proven, efficient and very low emissions technology that can deliver heating and cooling to homes and businesses at the lowest operating cost.