

Johnson very clearly remains a climate sceptic opposed ...

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As the [Guardian has reported](#) this morning, the government's headline plan for greening the UK's housing stock is this:

Ministers have unveiled plans for £5,000 grants to allow people to install home [heat pumps](#) and other low-carbon boiler replacements as part of a wider heat and buildings strategy that some campaigners warned lacked sufficient ambition and funding.

The grant is, of course, much less than the cost of a heat pump. In many cases it is a tiny contribution towards the cost. So, the bias towards gas boilers remains.

And, to compound the matter, the total budget available is £450 million over three years, or 30,000 boilers a year, at most, when we know we need 600,000 a year to achieve climate change objectives.

This is not a serious policy. It is an insult to those who know we must transform the UK's housing if we are to beat climate change.

But it does [contextualise Johnson's comments in The Sun](#). His language there confirms that he remains a climate sceptic opposed to the action required to save our planet for human habitation. The policy is wholly consistent with that.

We are in a deeper climate crisis than I realised.