

The SNP needs to take climate change seriously

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The Climate Change Commission has said that the Scottish government is not doing enough to meet its climate change targets for 2030. That might put it amongst the majority of governments, but Nicola Sturgeon has made a lot of noise on this issue, not least at COP27.

Now the SNP group in Westminster has a new leader. Stephen Flynn is the MP for Aberdeen South and is notably keen on continuing oil and gas exploration in the North Sea. That is a cause for real concern.

The SNP wants to present itself as a government in waiting for an independent Scotland. If that is the case then it most definitely needs to get its act together on climate change. No government in waiting, let alone in power, can fail on this issue. It looks as if the SNP is not doing enough on the most important political issue for many young people. That's really not good enough. They need to wake up and smell the pollution, and then do a lot more about it.