

GMB welcomes National Grid analysis of net zero jobs



GMB has welcomed a report by the national grid today analysing the skills and jobs needed to make net zero legislation a reality.

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Stuart Fegan, GMB National Officer, said:

"This National Grid report provides a timely intervention at the start of the decade in the debate about what the UK's needs in terms of skills and jobs to reach net zero carbon emissions by 2050.



"The scale of the challenge is clear, now the government must step up to make net zero a cast iron reality by paying for what is required towards our transition out of general taxation.



"This report recognises the importance that the energy sector makes towards the UK's GDP and that key decisions will need to be made in the immediate future to transition our economy away from producing carbon towards an ultra low carbon future.

"Whilst the report produces evidence of a desire amongst the UK population to work for organisations that will contribute towards net zero, it does not address the thorny question of who will pay for it.

"Net zero emissions is in our national and international interests. GMB calls for these essential decisions to be paid for from general taxation to ensure that net zero does not become a regressive tax on the poorest in our society."

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