

GMB welcomes hydrogen APPG'S call for investment



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GMB, the union for gas industry workers, has welcomed [the publication of the All Party Parliamentary Group on Hydrogen's report](#) on the role that investment in the sector can play in supporting the UK's economic recovery.

The report calls on the Government to develop a cross-departmental hydrogen strategy that is underpinned by significant investment.



The report also recommends that grants and subsidies must 'deliver investment and economic jobs directly to the UK,' and also that new boiler installations should be compatible with hydrogen from 2025.

“ The APPG’s latest report urges the Government to move quickly on hydrogen and set ambitious policies to unlock investment, create employment opportunities and support the UK’s net-zero targets. You can read this here: <https://t.co/cXyGxrVFhJ>
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The UK Government is reportedly [preparing to publish a national hydrogen strategy ahead of the Parliamentary recess on 21 July](#).

Gary Carter, GMB National Officer, said:

‘This important report clearly sets out why hydrogen has the potential to be both the fuel of the future and an essential part of our economic recovery.

‘Investing in skilled employment should be one of the Government’s highest priorities. Hydrogen represents a serious option for making best use of the UK’s dedicated workforce, achieving decarbonisation of heating, and of getting value for money for the billions invested over many years in the gas distribution network.

‘Ministers must now bring forward a serious and fully-funded strategy for investing in hydrogen to kickstart the economy and build a UK supply chain that provides the skilled, high-paid jobs that the economy so desperately needs.’

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