

## Energy price cap: Cost of living crisis down to Govt's incoherent energy plan



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GMB, the energy union, has responded ahead of tomorrow's energy price cap announcement, expected to put household's energy bills up by around £750 a year.

Andy Prendergast, GMB National Secretary, said:



"Energy is a basic need, not a luxury.

"This increase will bring real hardship to workers across the country, from public sector workers facing yet more real terms pay cuts, to the millions of people on universal credit.

"We all know energy prices have spiralled. But this cost of living crisis is a direct result of this Government's incoherent energy strategy.



"From dismantling our gas storage capacity, to a muddled renewables policy which has delivered a regressive green poll tax and UK wind turbines built on the other side of the world instead of here at home.

"Meanwhile, any plan to give companies loans in the vague hope that prices fall is clearly nonsense.

"It's a complete mess.

"We need a sensible debate about how we meet and pay for our energy, otherwise tens of millions of workers and consumers – not to mention the planet – will continue to suffer."

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