

Domestic Heating Crisis coming for 2025 and beyond

With the lack of Government action on future domestic heating we will have a domestic heating crisis on our hands by 2025 and beyond.

If the Government stick to their plans of stopping the sale of new gas boilers in 2025 what are consumers, retrofitters and housebuilders to do? What form of domestic heating can people turn to?

Currently we have around 30,000 heat pumps installed each year and by 2025 will that number increase, and by how much? If it doubles, which is unlikely, we will still have a massive shortfall.

There are around 300,000 new properties built each year and any number of thousands of properties being retrofitted. So, if we say the heat pump industry can double its heat pump installations to 60,000 a year, we are still left with a shortfall on new properties of around 240,000 and many hundreds of thousands for retrofits. To add to that problem heat pumps are getting more expensive to buy, around £10K, and according to a Report yesterday in the Daily Telegraph around £1300 a year to use to heat from April onwards.

https://www.telegraph.co.uk/money/consumer-affairs/cost-heat-pump-uk-cons-buy-gas-boiler-2022/

What is the answer you might ask?

The only answer I can find is the requirement for a massive increase in the manufacture and installation of infrared heating. I do not have the current yearly figures for the installation of infrared heating, as they are probably not known, but it will be a lot less than 30,000.

The solution to this unsatisfactory situation, especially without a proper alternative to gas, will leave hundreds of thousands of consumers freezing over Winter from 2025 onwards.

We at Infrared Replacing Gas with the considerable help of our Austrian partners www.heat4all.at will help to fill the huge gap in heating products, but we will not be able to do it alone. Heat4all will build additional factories but with a market place of probably half a million or more properties a year, some 5 million infrared panels it will be a tall order.

The Government therefore urgently needs to engage with us so that we can arrange the required number of infrared panels to be manufactured each year.

I am not intending this Post to be an alarmist one but a realistic one. We including Government and others cannot continue to 'bury our heads in the sand'. We must start to act now otherwise there will be a domestic heating disaster by 2025 and beyond.

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