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GREEN ENTREPRENEUR DALE VINCE'S BOLD
PLAN TO UNLOCK COUNTRY'S FORTUNES



WHAT IF...

I told you we could halve energy
bills **AND** keep them down
AND make the nation better off by
lowering inflation and interest rates
AND boost our economy
by tens of billions of pounds

How on earth could this be done? Take a look inside



END THE GREAT

LABOUR has been urged by green entrepreneur Dale Vince to reform Britain's energy market - to protect the nation from soaring energy prices and the broader economic impact those have.

His three-point plan, which could halve Britain's energy bills, is published today in a bid to highlight the extent to which our energy market is urgently in need of reform - for the benefit of consumers, businesses and the wider economy.

Green industrialist Mr Vince has long argued that the cost of energy could be reduced by 'breaking the link' between the global price of gas and the price we pay for our home grown green energy sources, the wind and sun.

Mr Vince has published several reports into the economic impact of this 'link' and today introduces a new perspective - the wider economic impact of our out of control energy bills.

Inflation

Independent analysis by the respected National Institute of Economic and Social Research shows that if we had broken the link at the height of the energy crisis, the saving on our energy bills would have had a profound macro economic impact - driving down inflation and Bank of England lending rates, reducing mortgages and the overall cost of living - putting hundreds of pounds into the pockets of every Briton - while adding a massive £30 billion to our economy.

Mr Vince said: "In 2023 the link added £43 billion to our energy bills which has a number of knock-on impacts



JUST DO IT ED: Putting an arm around the North Sea will knock £10 billion a year off energy bills.

in our economy, it increases the retail price index which is a major influence on Bank of England lending rates, which knocks on to mortgage rates, pay bargaining and our general cost of living."

The campaigner is calling for an urgent review of his three-point plan, the second element of which is 'putting an arm around the North Sea' by using a green energy mechanism to guarantee oil and gas prices, protect jobs and investment already made - while the third is controlling the profit margins of the mostly foreign owned Network Operators, who make billions managing privatised monopoly grids.

Mr Vince has calculated the five-year average saving to the nation of all three measures to be £20 billion per year.

Mr Vince also proposes a 'progressive tariff' for energy that would exempt low consuming households from the "stealth taxes" that have accumulated on our energy bills, adding modestly to energy prices when spread across the higher levels of consumption while being neutral to the Treasury.

And the removal of VAT from our energy bills, which are a necessity - applying that 5% instead to flying.

"VAT on energy is a regressive form of tax," says Mr Vince.

"Millions of people struggle to pay their energy bills and face the choice of heating or eating, especially in the winter.

Meanwhile flying, which is a luxury, is VAT free. How does that make sense?"

Mr Vince, who set up the world's first green energy company 30 years ago, has presented his strategy to bring bills down and grow the economy to the government and is now distributing his findings - in the form of this newspaper - to every MP and Peer in the land.

So far, the only political leader to support Mr Vince's 'breaking the link' proposition is the Liberal Democrat leader Sir Ed Davey. He said: "Until we break this link, we will not see our bills come down due to ever-increasing amounts of green energy on the grid - the global price of gas will prevent that."

Dictators

Green leader Zack Polanski - who has said in the past "our energy bills soar because successive governments have shackled us to gas" - declined to comment citing party politics.

Energy Secretary Ed Miliband recently told the BBC: "There is only one route to get bills down which is to go for clean power, home-grown, clean energy, that we control so we're not at the behest of the petrostates and the dictators."

Mr Vince said he "absolutely agreed" with that statement but said: "We don't control our own prices now and won't until we actually break this link, waiting for gas to 'go away' is not the answer even if it could actually work, 2030 is too late. I've heard no good reason from anyone in government for not breaking the link. Now. Even Boris Johnson could see it - describing the gas price link as "frankly ludicrous."

What are break the

THE government of Boris Johnson saw it - at the height of the energy crisis, global gas prices rose ten fold and dragged all other forms of electricity production with it - including the wind and sun. Johnson described it as "utterly ridiculous". Jacob Rees-Mogg vowed to take action.

They moved fast and within weeks passed a law giving themselves emergency powers - to solve this problem, in their own words 'to break the link'. But they didn't do it. They threw £50bn of public money at energy bills, to reduce them and imposed a windfall tax on green generators - both necessary but both merely addressed the symptoms not the cause.

Labour have yet to do anything. I hear they have been told by civil servants that it will be too difficult - even if that were true, it's a terrible reason not to fix something, especially something as damaging as this link is, to our national interest.

But it's not too difficult, we've published a road map showing exactly how to do it. Unfortunately, but understandably - the process for making changes in the energy industry is very slow - and this one will take two

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BRIGHT FUTURE: Solar power plant in Spain



BORIS JOHNSON: 'Frankly ludicrous'

ENERGY RIP-OFF

we waiting for... link now!

DALE VINCE:
'Get the job done'

years. Not the end of the world but not ideal. However, that Conservative law may still be in effect and may be sufficient, if not then Labour could pass its own emergency law - and either way get the job done much quicker.

The link is senseless - it's not even good capitalism, to pay more for something than you need to is more often associated with state run ventures not capitalist ones. This price fixing at the heart of our market enriches a few large companies at the expense of the entire nation. They probably think it is 'good capitalism'.

We can't just sit and wait till 2030 (the current plan of DESNZ) and hope an abundance of green energy will do the job.

It's an injustice perpetrated on millions of people, struggling with energy bills, struggling to pay mortgages or rent, struggling with the cost of living and on millions of businesses struggling to be cost competitive.

At the heart of our energy system and all other global commodity markets is a fundamental problem - where prices are not set based on the cost of production plus a margin, but driven by speculators, traders and market sentiment - manipulated by cartels. We can break our link to that.

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GAIN IN SPAIN HAS FALLEN MAINLY ON THE PLAIN

HAS it been done before?

It's a refrain I'm used to hearing, whenever proposing something new - like green energy, electric cars, diamonds from the sky - I have quite a list. People tend to think like this, if it was easy someone would already have done it - that's illogical.

By definition someone, somewhere always does something for the first time, before others see it and like the idea - and do the same. And then it's a thing. Europe



BY **DALE VINCE OBE**
GREEN INDUSTRIALIST

has the same problem we do, this absurd link is in their markets too - have one of those countries broken the link? No, not yet. At least not 'properly'. Spain however has shown the benefits of leaving the link behind - by diluting its impact, reducing the number of times that gas sets the energy system

price for the wind and sun. The benefits have been considerable and like the rain have fallen mainly on the plain.

Energy prices in Spain over the last few years have gone from being amongst the highest in Europe to amongst the lowest. They achieved this with an explosion of green energy deployment over the last few years - far more than in any other European country - twice that of Germany.

This is Labour's current plan - wait until green energy squeezes gas off the grid. And

while it might work - it more likely won't. Because the forecasts of DESNZ themselves show gas still setting the price 30% of the time in 2030 - that's more than it sets the price right now in Spain.

The worst aspect of this approach though is not that it won't completely work - it's the delay. Five years will cost hard pressed Britons and the whole nation simply a shed load of money - higher bills, higher inflation, higher borrowing costs, higher cost of living - for no good reason.



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WE need to reform our energy market, it's out of date and out of purpose.

Before privatisation it served the nation, now it serves a handful of large companies, mostly foreign owned, too often based in tax havens.

We need to restore the public service ethos and with it rebalance the flows of money.

We're paying far more for our energy than we need to and our analysis shows the wider economic impact of that – it's making us poorer as a nation and making our lives harder. We need an energy market that works for the many....

There are three big but simple changes we could make.

The first is to 'Break the Link' – the pointless link between the price of gas and the price of electricity made from our own wind and sun.

This cost us dearly in the recent energy crisis which wasn't our first and won't be our last – breaking the link will ensure we never have another one.

In the last five years breaking the link could have saved us nearly £9 billion a year and a grand total of £43.5 billion. Ker-Ching!

The second is to 'Protect the North Sea' – using a tried and tested green energy mechanism to fix prices and protect jobs and investments as our North Sea fossil fuel industry completes its decline (which started in 1999).

Networks

Over the last five years this could have knocked almost £10 billion a year from our bills on average and a grand total of £48.5 billion. Ker-Ching!

The third is to 'Control the Networks' – the almost completely foreign owned networks of pipes and cables that deliver energy from the national grid to our homes and businesses.

These regulated total monopolies need to be reined in with proper regulation – they are all regulated, but still they make 40% profit margins and ship tens of billions abroad and out of our economy every year – while failing to invest enough in our networks. And raising bills at every opportunity.

Over the last five years this could have knocked approaching £5 billion a year off our energy bills or £25 billion in total. Ker-Ching!

That's three things we can do to reform our energy market, between them offering savings of almost £25 billion in a year and a whopping £120 billion over the last five years. These are serious sums of money that we could have – in our pockets and in our economy.

The wider economic impact we modelled, just from breaking the link – would be three times bigger if we do all three things. And there would be no fiscal 'black hole'. Ker-Ching!

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1 BREAKING THE LINK

THE most absurd thing about Britain's energy market is the fact that we allow the global price of gas to set the price we pay for our own wind and sun; the green energy that could and should be reducing our energy bills and protecting us from the rollercoaster of global market prices is prevented from doing its job. Energy Independence can't be delivered while we let fossil fuels set the green energy price, no matter how much we build. We're paying billions more each year for our energy than we need to, we're exposed to global price shocks when we don't need to. Breaking the link should be top of our agenda right now - we've published the road map, we know how to do it. Our energy bills are artificially high and the wider economic impacts of that are profound. It's a rip off. Let's end it.



2 PUTTING AN ARM AROUND NORTH SEA

WE support green energy projects with a fixed price they will receive – and that lowers the cost of capital. We can do the same for fossil fuels projects in the North Sea – exposed to volatile global pricing at the same time – both increase the risk of a premature exit by the market. Let's put our fossil fuels on a level playing field with green energy, price certainty, protect the jobs and investment in the North Sea extraction from what we have and achieve an oil and gas price. On top of that we can knock £10 billion a year off our energy bills. Putting an arm around the North Sea, with a CfD, will be fair and it will bring our energy bills down.

BEYOND ENERGY BILLS

WE wanted to look beyond energy bills – to understand the bigger picture – what happens if we fix Britain's broken energy system?

So, the Green Britain Foundation asked the National Institute of Economic and Social Research to model the wider impact of just one of our three proposed market reforms – which I've dubbed Breaking the Link – the link that makes the price of green energy the same as the global price of fossil gas. The results were profound. In 2023 Breaking

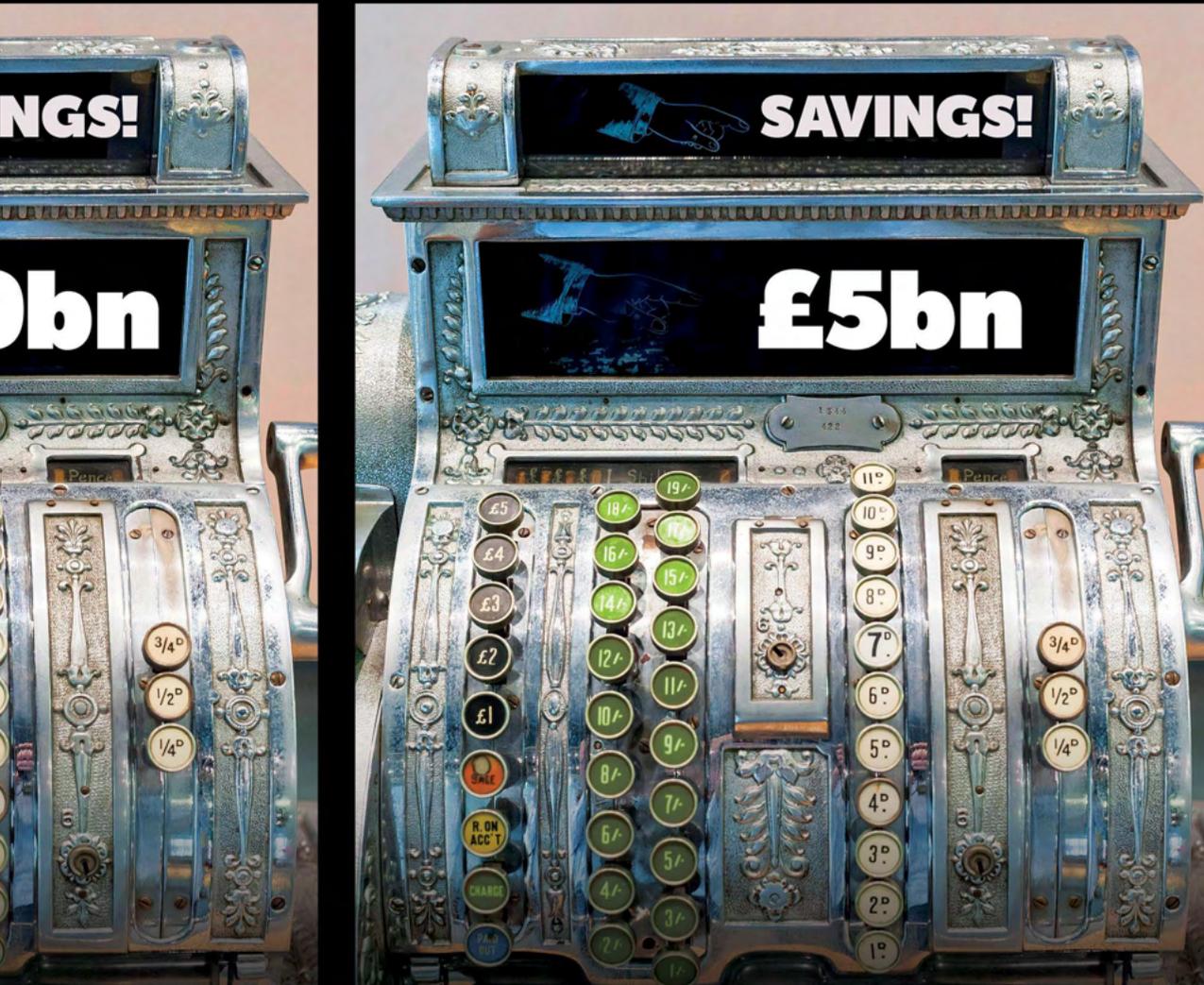
the Link would have knocked £43 billion off the national energy bill – saving £30 billion for businesses and £13 billion for households – the starting place.

We asked NIESR to model the knock on from this £43 billion saving – on the wider economy. What they found was profound:

- Inflation would have been 1.5 percentage points lower.
- Interest rates would have been 0.7% lower.



Keys to change



ARM NORTH SEA

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MOST of us don't think about how electricity and gas gets to our homes - it's actually via networks of pipes and cables operated by monopolies, mostly foreign owned and operating from tax havens. Collectively they've shipped tens of billions abroad in dividends in the last decade and failed to invest in the networks we depend on - sound a bit like the water companies? It is. With one notable difference, these companies make a 40% profit margin, that's more than banks make, or venture capitalists - it's the highest margin in our economy bar none. Why does this matter? Because if we regulated them properly, they are regulated believe it or not - we could knock £5 billion a year off Britain's energy bills. We have a profit cap for energy retailers, how hard would it be to have a profit cap for these monopoly network operators? Logical, consistent and fair. Control the networks.

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- Growth would have been 0.5 percent points higher.
 - GDP would have been 1.1% higher by 2025 - a £36 billion boost to the economy.
 - And we'd all have nearly 300 quid more in our pockets, each year till 2025.
- This is a new perspective. Our dysfunctional energy market doesn't just make us pay more for our energy than we need to, it drives inflation up, the cost of borrowing up, pay bargaining and the cost of doing

business up - our entire cost of living - up. And it drives poverty up - breaking the link could have lifted one million Britons out of poverty in 2023. This is great economic and social harm - our lives made harder than they need to be, our economy weaker. If you look at global gas prices on a graph over time, it has the shape of a rollercoaster. We can jump off this rollercoaster and protect ourselves from energy price volatility, permanently - if we break this senseless link.

MISSION TO EASE COST OF LIVING



BY **LUKE MURPHY**
MP FOR BASINGSTOKE and FOUNDER OF THE LIVING STANDARDS COALITION

ENERGY bills must be brought down. The cost of living is the issue raised more than any other, more than the NHS, crime, or migration. It should be no surprise. By October 2024, disposable incomes were no higher than at the end of 2019. The failure of the Conservative government to get a grip on this crisis cost the country half a decade of lost living standards.

With millions still feeling the strain of that toxic legacy, compounded by global instability, easing the cost of living for low and middle income households must be a defining mission of this Labour government.

We have already taken important steps to secure growth, raise incomes, and reduce costs, from increasing the National Minimum Wage to capping bus fares and expanding free childcare. But we must go further.

A bold, long-term living standards strategy must sit at the heart of our plan for growth. That means examining every system, from energy and housing to childcare, food, and water, to ensure each delivers genuine value for money for taxpayers and billpayers alike. The evidence shows this is not the case in our energy system. Since 2021, energy network companies have made around £4 billion in excess profits, paid for by our constituents through their bills. These profits are not tied to performance or consumer benefit, but to higher-than-expected inflation, allowing companies to recover borrowing costs far above their real costs. Worse still, these windfalls are expected to continue.

We also continue to let the price of gas dictate the price of other energy sources. This means we remain hostage to volatile fossil fuel prices and the whims of foreign dictators.

And then there are the regressive charges on energy bills, from VAT to policy levies. The approach of the Conservatives and Reform would take Britain backwards. They want to reverse this government's transition to a cleaner, cheaper, and more secure energy system. We must stay the course on clean power. But as part of our broader mission to raise living standards, we must also bring down energy bills for good.



YOU snooze we lose...tens of billions! Jacob Rees-Mogg woke up to the fact that we needed to 'break the link' at the height of the energy crisis in 2022. The then Business and Energy secretary said: "Businesses and consumers across the UK should pay a fair price for energy. With gas prices spiralling as a result of Putin's invasion of Ukraine, the Government is taking swift and decisive action." And they did take swift action - passing into law an ability to break the link between the price of gas and the price of green energy. But they didn't follow through. They shovelled £50 billion into energy bill subsidies and they imposed a windfall tax on green generation - both of these measures were short term, addressing the symptoms not the cause of the crisis. They left that in place, the link between the global price of gas and the price of green energy. How much better off would Britain be today, if Rees-Mogg had got off his backside?



Why it's Labour's moral duty to slash energy bills

TAKE 5% VAT OFF BILLS AND PUT IT ON FLIGHTS

BY **DALE VINCE OBE**
GREEN INDUSTRIALIST

RACHEL Reeves has a simple, powerful opportunity to ease the pressure on hard-pressed families by tackling VAT on energy bills.

I commissioned one of the biggest polls of its kind, the Giga Poll, where we asked 45,335 people about their lives. The results were stark. The cost-of-living crisis rolls on, grinding down working families month after month.

Almost one-in-ten said they feel financially desperate. Another quarter said they're worried about their financial futures. That's 20 million people lying awake at night worrying about how to pay the bills.

So, here's one idea how to help those people who are really struggling.

Energy bills are of course an essential, everyone pays. We have an energy price cap to protect people from energy bills being any higher than they absolutely need to be – but then we add VAT on top. That's around £80 – £100 added to bills. That's a regressive form of tax.

But while millions face the choice of heating or eating in the winter, flying is completely VAT free and there is no fuel duty charged either. So why not take the 5% VAT off energy bills and put it on flights instead. We've crunched the numbers; there's a number of ways this could be done from a small net loss to the Treasury to a much bigger gain, or somewhere in between.

But the fact remains, half of Britons don't fly in a given

year. The richest 10% take 50% of all flights. Meanwhile, the airline industry enjoys about £20 billion a year in hidden subsidies through tax exemptions on fuel and VAT.

Redirecting just a fraction of that to help people heat their homes isn't radical – it makes sense.



BY **KEVIN MAGUIRE**
POLITICAL COMMENTATOR

"THE Labour Party," Harold Wilson famously declared, "is a moral crusade or it is nothing."

The state school Prime Minister was a breath of fresh air despite his pipe smoking in the second half of the 1960s, blowing away the cobwebs of 13 years of Conservative rule petering out in the staid stewardship of Alec Douglas-Home, an Old Etonian aristocrat who renounced a peerage to be installed undemocratically in Downing Street by an establishment magic circle.

And who in high office concurs with Wilson's statement? Why cautious Keir Starmer. Labour's seventh PM is a huge fan of the third, naming Wilson as the predecessor he most admired by picking him out as a high-mind figure who sought to modernise the country.

Indeed Starmer likes to be viewed in a similar mould, in 2021 quoting Wilson's celebrated dictum. "Harold Wilson once said that the Labour Party is a moral crusade or it is nothing," recalled Starmer. "He was right."

So the test for Starmer is whether in Downing Street he's able to rediscover that moral crusading, including giving everybody affordable heat and light. If he does, his and Labour's chances of reversing plummeting polls and prospects dramatically improve.

Delivering warm homes for everybody should be as much a basic human right in a civilised world as free speech and protection against arbitrary arrest, imprisonment and torture – yet in 2025 millions of Britons are shivering in fuel poverty.

It's a sin that at the same time vast profits are generated by bloated energy giants, some of them privatised, others corporate predators from abroad, a few with feet in both camps with the UK Labour Government

allowing them to charge the earth by linking prices for cheaper renewables such as sun and to dirty gas.

Muslim thirtysomething socialist Zohran Mamdani's inspirational victory in New York, where he focused on the cost of living and living standards, highlighted an alternative in the home town of Wall Street's turbo capitalists.

Mamdani is a shining beacon for all those wondering how to beat Donald Trump – and the likes of Nigel Farage, Kemi Badenoch

Human cost of this crisis is enormous



BY **JONATHAN BEAN**
FUEL POVERTY ACTION

FOR many, the fuel poverty crisis continues with no end in sight. Average energy bills are stuck at nearly 70% above five years ago. Instead of Labour's promised £300 saving, households have felt an increase of £187.

The human cost is enormous. Thousands of people are dying each winter due to cold, damp, mouldy homes. Cold and mould related illnesses overload the NHS each winter. Energy deprivation and bill-related stress also contribute to an epidemic of anxiety.

A key part of the solution to high energy prices was supposed to be cheap, clean energy from renewables. We've expanded generation, but electricity prices have soared. We are being charged four times more per unit for electricity than gas.

This causes extreme energy deprivation for the two million homes dependent on traditional electric heating, and undermines our transition from gas and oil boilers to heat pumps. Those with electric heating have the lowest incomes and the highest incidence of fuel poverty. Our energy pricing system is even more regressive when you consider standing charges. Standing charges for electricity have doubled, loaded up with government

levies. This cruel form of hidden taxation hits those with the least the hardest. Millions are driven into severe energy deprivation, with those on prepayment meters getting cut off completely.

The Ofgem plan to introduce so-called "standing charge free" tariff options – which simply hides the charge in unit costs – is not the solution. Instead, government levies and taxes should be moved to progressive taxation, bringing down standing charges and electricity pricing. And low energy users should not pay any standing charges at all.

Other changes are needed too. Government must end the absurdity of the price of renewables being driven by the most expensive gas generation source. This not only increases fuel poverty, but also fuels the myth that renewables are the cause of, not solution to, high electricity prices.

Government and Ofgem must also cap the profits of the energy industry – about £400 of our energy bill is energy industry profits. Many are hidden in less obvious places like the distribution network operators, grid and energy traders.

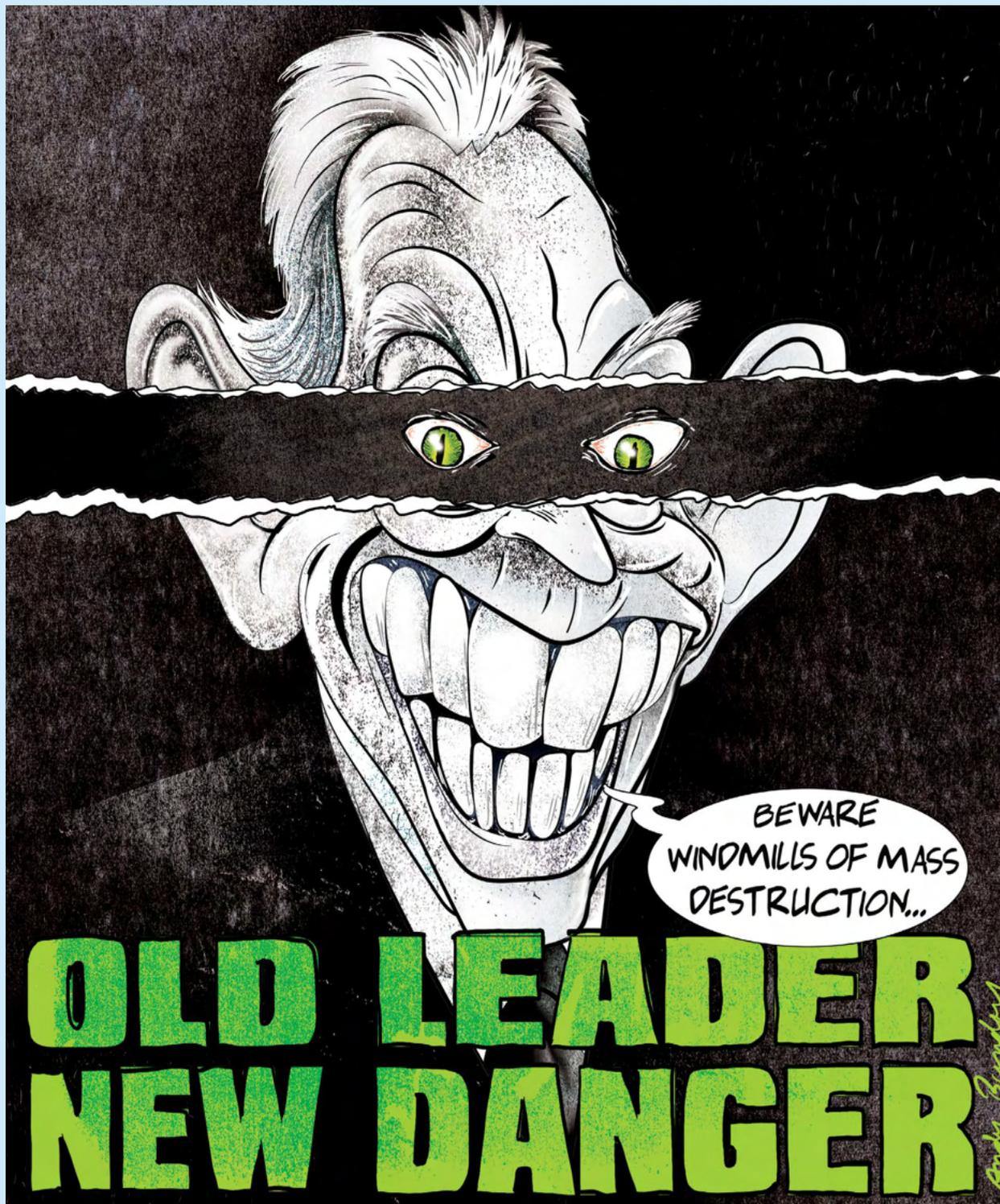
We should all have the energy we need for the basics of life. That's why we are calling for Energy For All, with a petition signed by 660,000 people and handed to Keir Starmer. It's time to build an energy system that works for people, not profit.

and Robert Jenrick here in Britain. Values matter – and campaigning to enhance living standards for those struggling is a gold-plated winner which is why Labour would score by removing VAT from bills in Rachel Reeves' Budget instead of slashing funding for home insulation. The short-sightedness of leaving people in drafty properties, requiring them to spend more on heating in the long-run, would be another nail in the coffin of political satire.

The anti-Green lobby is as discredited as Brexit. These reactionaries initially denied climate change was happening. When

people could see it was, the deniers switched to arguing higher global temperatures weren't human-powered. Overwhelming scientific evidence knocked that one on the head, leaving even carbon industry propaganda tanks unable to pretend otherwise. The Alamo of Britain's fossil fools is now screaming the birthplace of the industrial revolution is too small and irrelevant to bother reducing emissions.

Starmer can side with knuckleheads and corporates or be a PM preaching national renewal fully embracing renewable energy and lowering bills to fire up living standards.



The new dodgy dossier



BY **DALE VINCE OBE**
GREEN INDUSTRIALIST

TONY Blair's new report contains nothing new. And calling for a slowdown in green energy to keep energy bills down is perfectly wrongheaded.

Our bills are high not because of green energy but because of fossil fuels.

More precisely because we let the global price of gas dictate what we pay for our own wind and sun. Absurd, but true.

Tony Blair is giving support to the very recent right-wing narrative that

we can't afford the green energy transition and need to slow down.

It's entirely false and that's not to be unexpected perhaps of politicians desperately seeking power or at least relevance - like Farage or Badenoch. From an ex-politician and one who did do much for green energy it is unexpected.

But Tony Blair is also the Prime Minister behind the 'dodgy dossier' that saw us launch an illegal war on Iraq. He has form.

The real problem is our defective energy market, some say it's broken - I say rigged, because we allow the price of gas to set the price we pay for our own wind and sun and it's costing us a fortune. In 2023 alone it

added £13billion to household bills - that's £400 each and a whopping £30billion to business energy bills.

All of this jacked up the rate of inflation that year, pushing up Bank of England lending rates, and therefore mortgages, pay bargaining and our general cost of living. Our energy bills did this.

But we have a choice, we can 'break the link' and allow our homegrown green energy to deliver us lower bills, inflation and all the knock-on impacts above. Allow green energy to do its thing.

Blaming it for our high energy bills is simply counterfactual.

Fossil fuels are the new dodgy dossier. Britain is once bitten.

Stop all this dithering and fix the system



BY **SIR ED DAVEY**
LEADER of the LIBERAL DEMOCRATS

ENERGY bills are too high, and we have to bring them down. This winter, too many families will be forced to choose between heating and eating, while pensioners shiver in cold homes, afraid to put the boiler on. This is a national scandal.

For too long, this crisis has been treated as an unavoidable consequence of global events. This is a fallacy. The pain families feel today is the direct result of a broken energy market and a catastrophic failure of government policy. The problem is not, as Nigel Farage and Kemi Badenoch would have you believe, our investment in renewable energy. The problem is that families are not seeing the benefit of cheap renewables in their bills.

We are in the absurd and expensive position where the price of all electricity is tied to the price of the most expensive fuel - gas. Even as cheap, clean electricity floods our grid, households are still paying sky-high prices dictated by volatile gas markets. That is manifestly unfair. It compromises our energy security and fatally undermines public support for the clean energy we need.

We have the tool to fix this. When the Liberal Democrats were in government, we needed to spur massive investment in renewables while protecting the public. The solution I championed was Contracts for Difference (CfDs).

CfDs are a simple, market-based mechanism. They give a generator a guaranteed strike price, giving them the certainty to invest. But crucially, it protects consumers. If the wholesale price - still set by gas - soars above that strike price, the generator must pay the difference back, returning that money to the public, shielding them from price spikes.

The problem is only about 15% of our renewables are on this scheme. Most older projects are on Renewables Obligation Certificates (ROCs), an archaic 2002 scheme. It does the exact opposite: paying generators the high wholesale price plus a subsidy funded by levies on our bills - costing a typical household around £90 a year.

It doesn't have to be this way. The government must rapidly move all old ROC projects onto new CfDs.

This single move would help break the link between gas and electricity prices. It would end obscene windfall profits for older generators and return that money to the public.

Breaking the gas link is a critical part of my party's plan to cut bills by half. But only one part - there is much more we need to do too.

Investing in cheap, clean, renewable sources of electricity: solar, wind, tidal, hydro-electric. Insulating people's homes and making them more energy efficient, so they are much cheaper to heat. Recoupling the UK and EU electricity markets, and reintegrating emissions trading systems.

The government must stop dithering. We cannot afford this broken system. By failing to act, they are not just allowing fuel poverty to fester; they are handing a political gift to those who want to halt the transition and pursue an energy policy in the service of Vladimir Putin, instead of the British public.

We must make this change to cut energy bills for good.



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HAVE YOUR SAY

If you have any thoughts or comments on Dale Vince's 'Breaking The Link' plan - and would like to learn more - please email: hello@babelfish.news