

New appointments to the Committee on Fuel Poverty

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Two new members have joined the Committee on Fuel Poverty.

The Committee on Fuel Poverty is delighted to welcome 2 new members to the Committee, Professor Richard Fitton, and Ross Armstrong. Following the departure of Anu Singh and Liz Bissett at the end of their terms, Richard and Ross have joined for a 3-year term of service, beginning on 16 February 2026.

The Committee on Fuel Poverty is an Expert Advisory Committee which advises on the effectiveness of policies aimed at reducing fuel poverty, encourages greater co-ordination across the organisations working to reduce fuel poverty, and monitoring the government's progress on its Fuel Poverty Strategy. The Committee also conducts annual research, with the current project focusing on the lived experience of fuel poor homes which have a heat pump.

The Committee would also like to thank Anu Singh and Liz Bissett for their service to the Committee over their terms.

Biographies

Professor Richard Fitton

Professor Richard Fitton (PhD, FRICS) is Technical Director of the Energy House 2.0 project, a world-leading building physics test laboratory at the University of Salford. A Chartered Building Surveyor and Fellow of the RICS, he holds a PhD in Building Physics and has authored over 80 publications on building energy performance and measurement. He leads an international task group developing standards for energy performance assessment. He is Chair of the British Standard for Retrofit Assessment and serves on the SAP Scientific Integrity Group at BRE, which oversees the UK's domestic energy model. He is also a panel member of the RICS Professional Group for residential property and leads an International Energy Agency Annex on the use of smart meter data to provide energy efficiency metrics in dwellings.

Ross Armstrong

Ross Armstrong is the Chief Executive of Warmworks. Having led the organisation since its founding in 2015, he and the Warmworks team have ensured that more than 50,000 households are warmer, happier and healthier by providing end-to-end assessment, installation and quality inspections of a wide range of heating, insulation and energy efficiency improvements. With more than 20 years' experience of managing fuel poverty programmes across the UK within both the public and private sector, Ross understands the lived experience of the most vulnerable fuel poor homes and families and will bring his knowledge and expertise on how policy is delivered on the ground to the Committee.

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