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Dear Sir/Madam

I am concerned that carbon emissions and the damage they cause to the planet is the biggest challenge facing us all.

Individually, I try to reduce my emissions but I feel there is much more the Government can do so am writing in response to the Scottish Government's consultation on Scotland's Sustainable Housing Strategy.

I find my house is very difficult and expensive to heat - a ground floor Victorian tenement flat - which cannot be insulated in the roof or in the walls. But new houses should have zero emissions, and appropriate standards should be set for this to be compulsory.

And older housing should be considered too - what can be done ?

I believe there must be other solutions for older tenements, particularly encouragement to share renewable energy or to benefit from locally produced renewables.

I was very disappointed when i asked british Gas to look at a carbon capture boiler when I was renewing it. They are the only company allowed to fit these Baxi boilers, but they dismissed it very quickly and were more interested in fitting a new condensing boiler. This approach does not help Scotland reduce emissions.

I am replying as an individual and am happy for my response and name to be published on the Scottish Government website, but not my address.

I understand that my name and address are required to identify me as an individual, so that my response can be included in the consultation analysis.

I am content for the Scottish Government to contact me again in relation to this consultation exercise.

Yours faithfully

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