

## PAST & FUTURE PRACTICE CHANGES

Lucy Pedler, *The Green Register* 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Building Solutions to the Climate Crisis: AECB 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary conference, Oxford









...to do with changes in practices relating to sustainable construction in the last 19 years

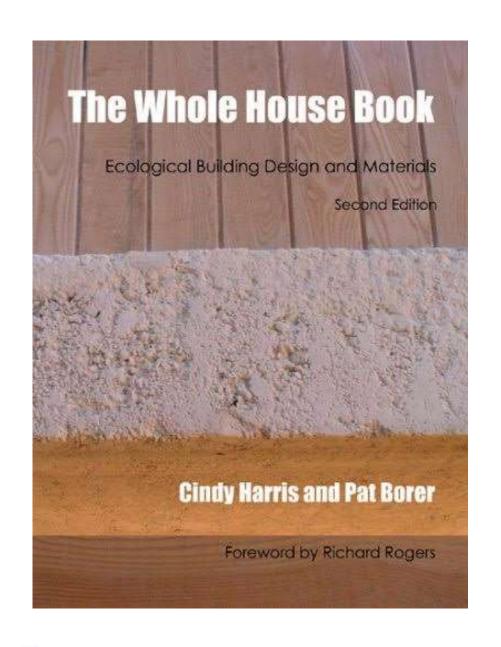
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# Materials Energy

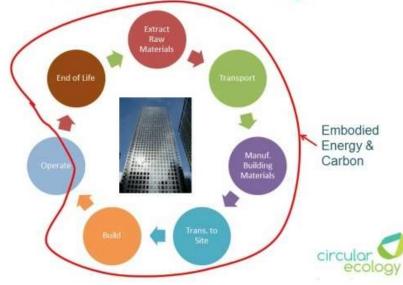
"... Embodied Energy accounts for 8% of the national energy bill...could constitute up to 50% of the total energy use of on energy efficient building."



# BREEAM® delivered by bre







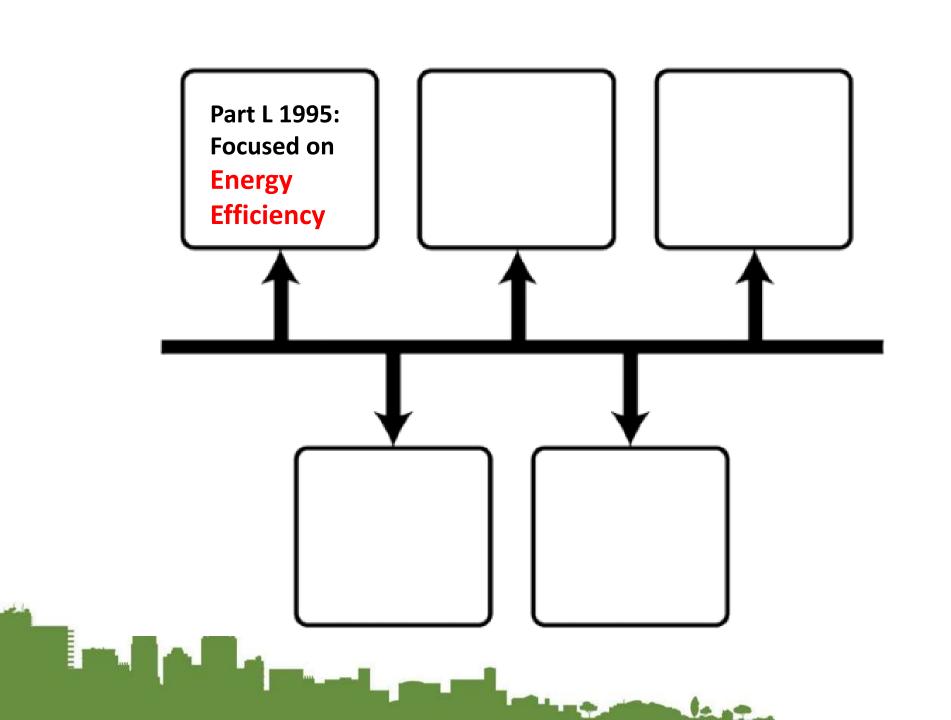




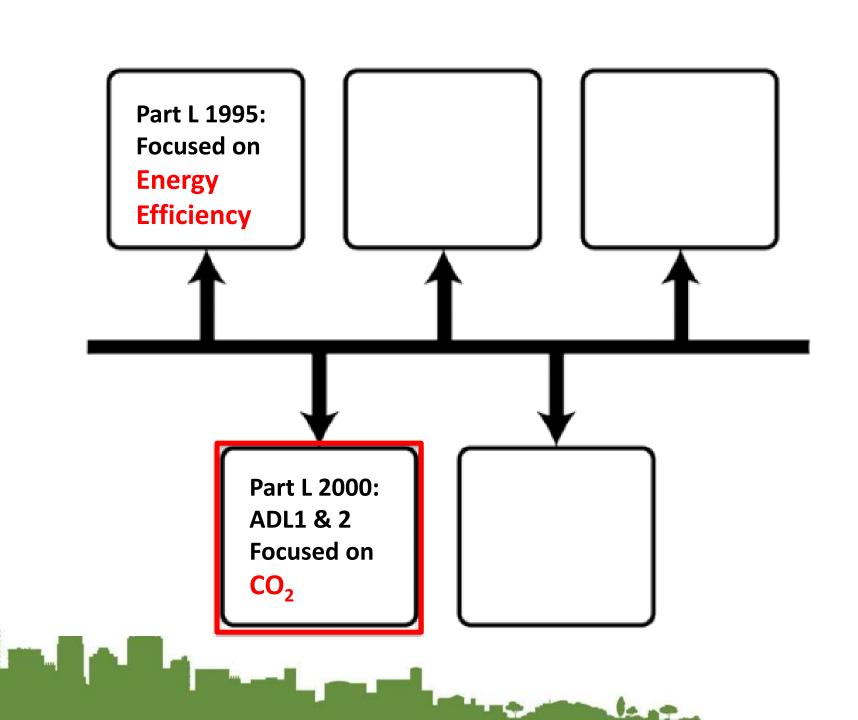




Ye Olde Part L of the Building Regulations for England & Wales









The Building Regulations 2000

Conservation of fuel and power

L1 Conservation of fuel and power in dwellings

Coming into effect 1 April 2002

APPROVED DOCUMENT

The Stationery Office

The Bulling Regulations 2000

Cornery etc. afront 1 April 2002

Conservation of fuel and power



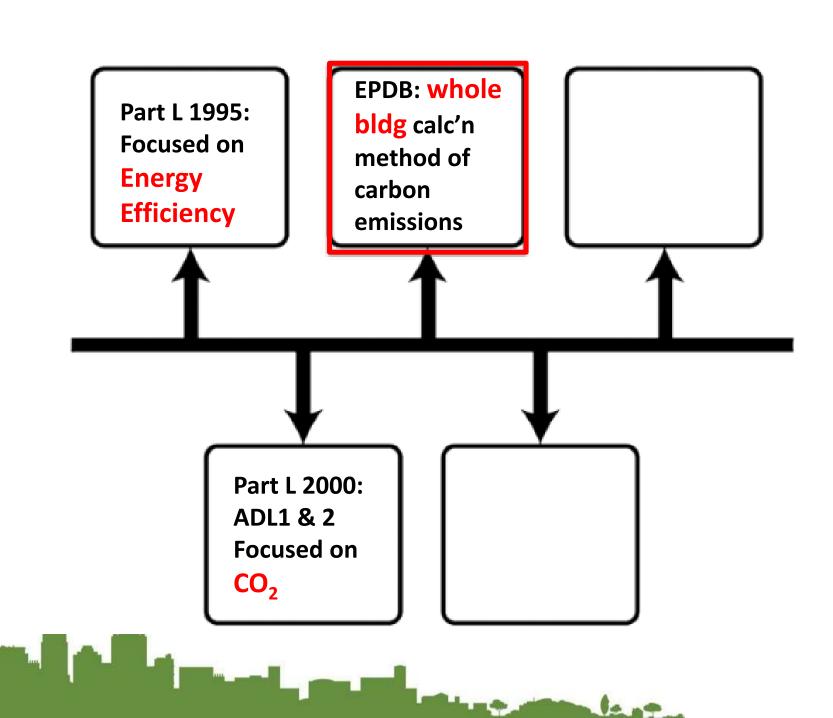
ADL1 & ADL 2





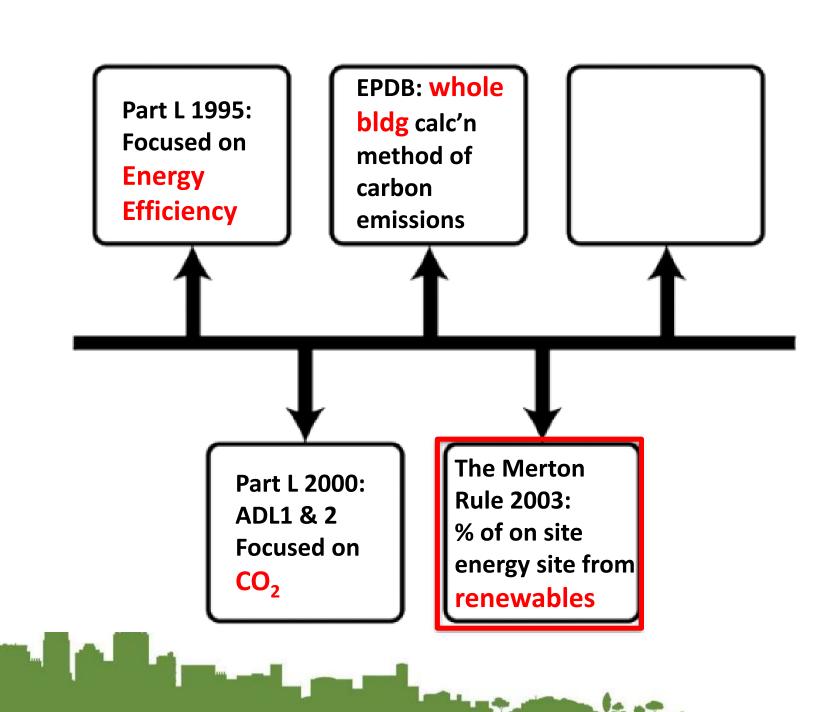






















#### Renewable Energy in the UK...its all good

- 1st quarter of 2016, UK renewables' share of electricity generation (hydro, wind and other renewables) was 25.1%
- 2018, it was 33% www.smarterbusiness.co.uk/uk-renewable-energy-percentage-2018
- Cost of PV panels in the UK reduced by 70% over the past five years
- <u>www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/04/21/britain-set-historic-first-coal-free-day-since-industrial-revolution/</u>
- 23/4/18 3 days in a row without coal –
   www.theguardian.com/business/2018/apr/24/uk-power-generation-coal-free-gas-renewables-nuclear
- World's largest off shore wind farm planned at Dogger Bank, N. Sea (www.nbcnews.com/mach/science/world-s-biggest-wind-farm-would-have-its-own-artificial-ncna83910)
- tondocumentaryfilms com/hreakthrough-renewahle-energy

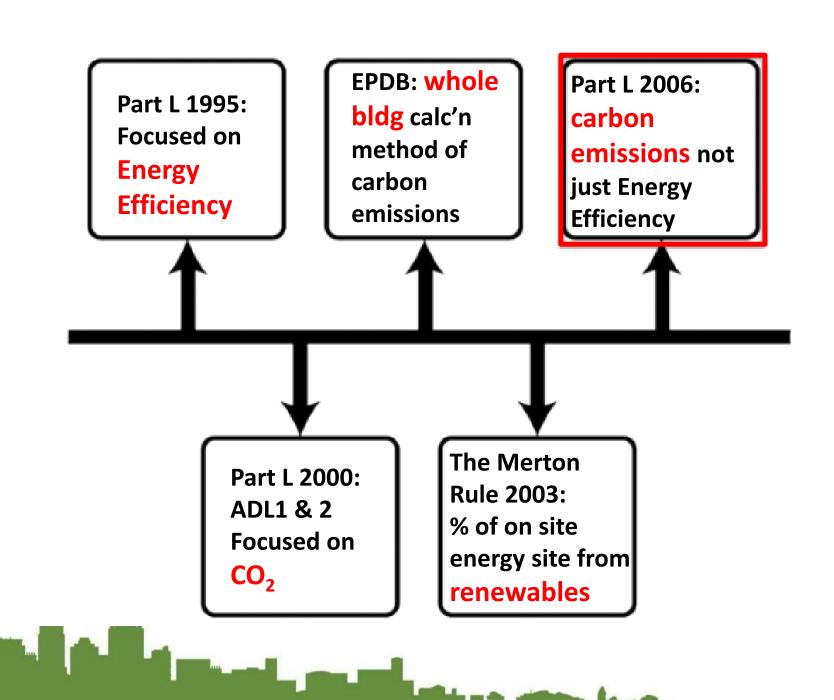


I doubt anybody gets taken seriously for very long. I'll be on some reality show in about six years going, Hey, I had a great year in 2006.

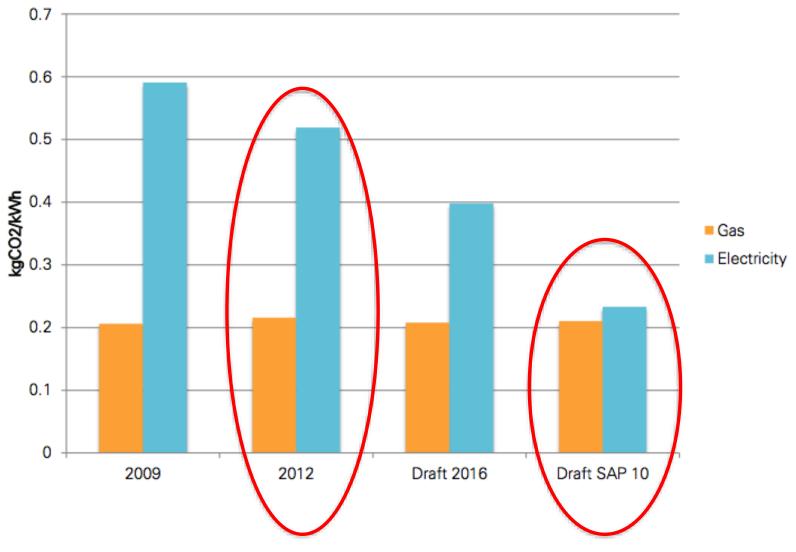
— George Clooney —

AZ QUOTES

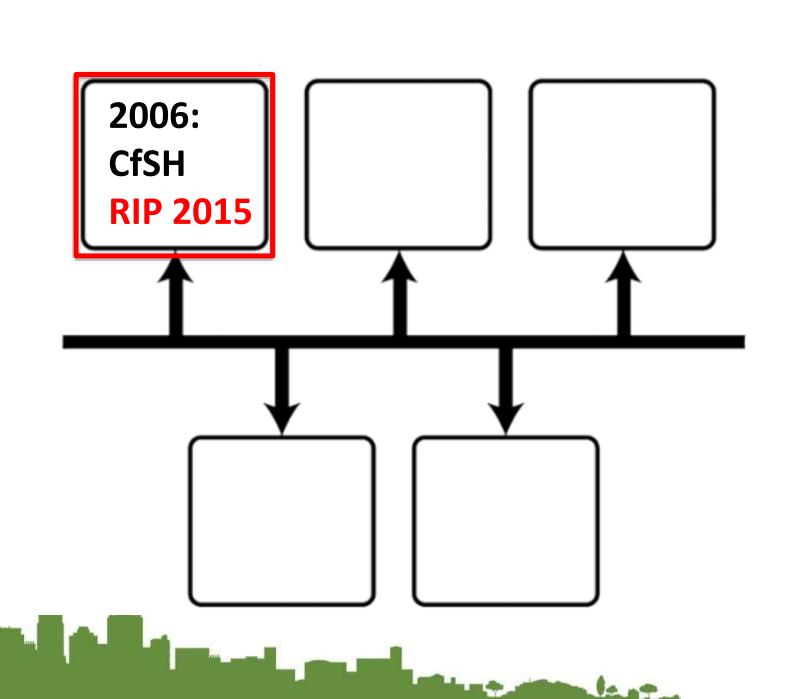




#### Carbon Intensity of Fuels



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Energy and CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions; Water; Materials; Surface Water Run-Off; Waste; Pollution; Health and Well-Being; Management; Ecology

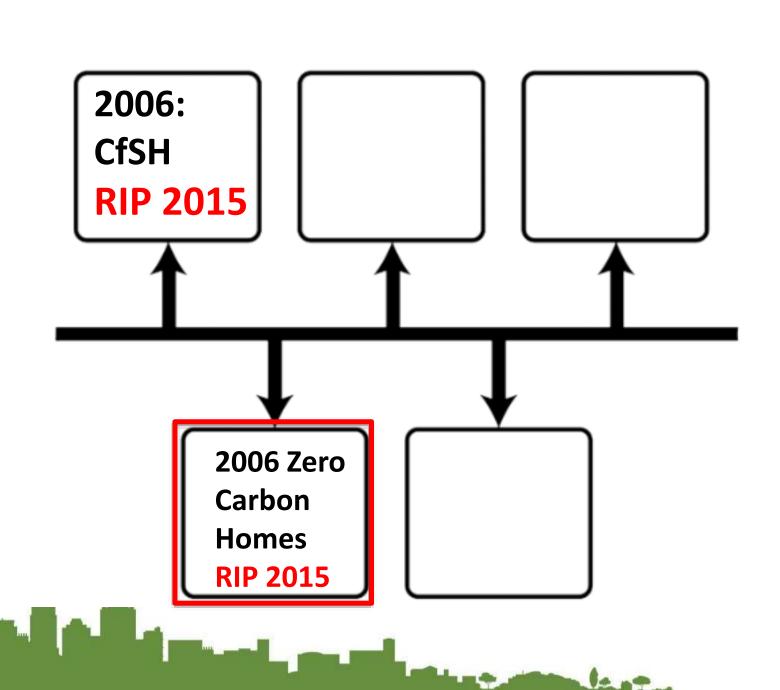
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## The Green Register - an holistic approach













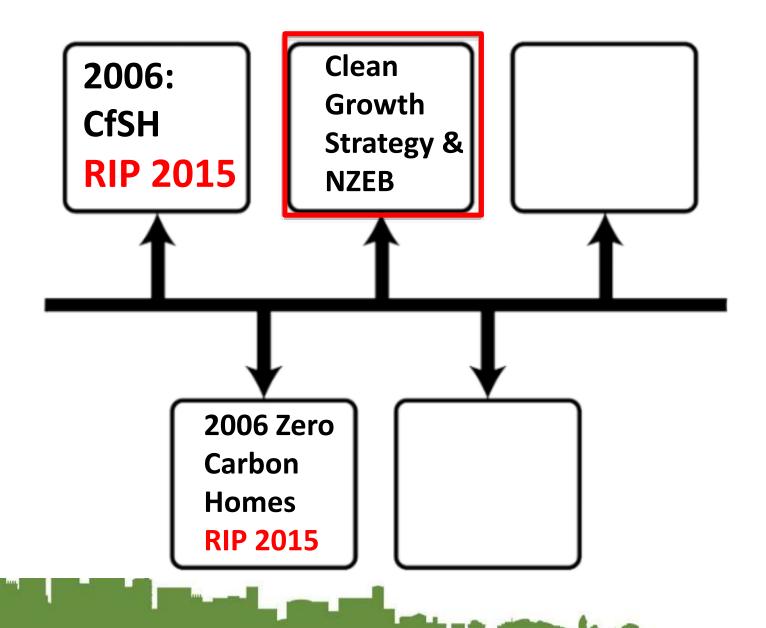
#### LOCALLY







#### **NATIONALLY**



# **EPDB & Nearly Zero Energy Buildings**

Figure 2: Timeline of NZEBrelated actions according to the EPBD.



#### Moving *towards* low carbon homes

ec.europa.eu/energy/en/topics/energy-efficiency/buildings/nearly-zero-energy-buildings







Improving Energy Efficiency

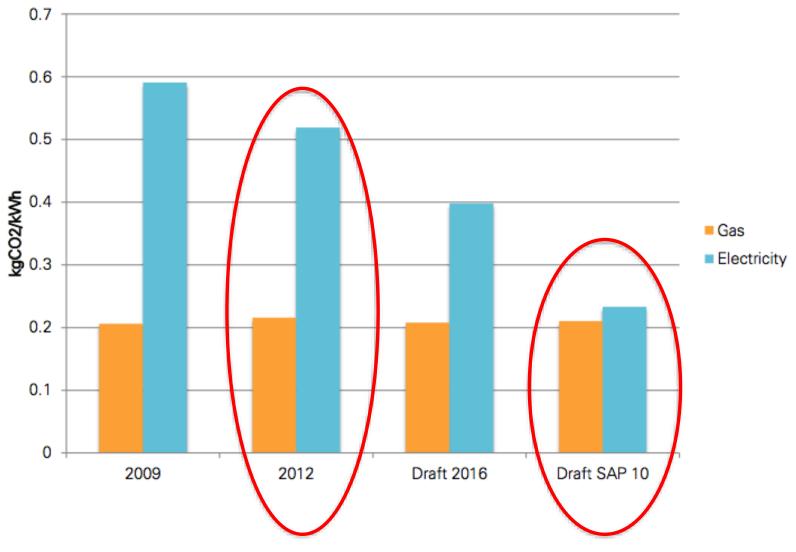
www.lowcarbonhomes.uk

# 'Ban gas boilers in new homes by 2025' Committee on Climate Change (February 2019)



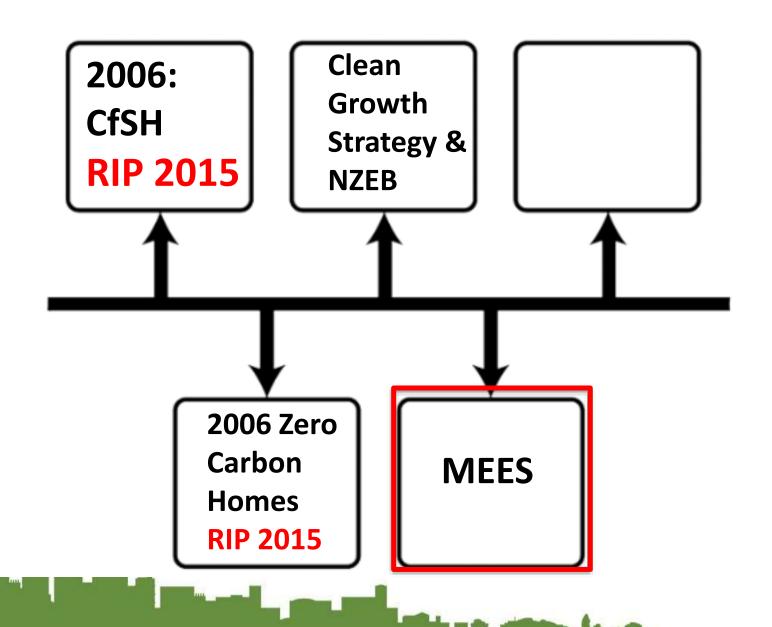
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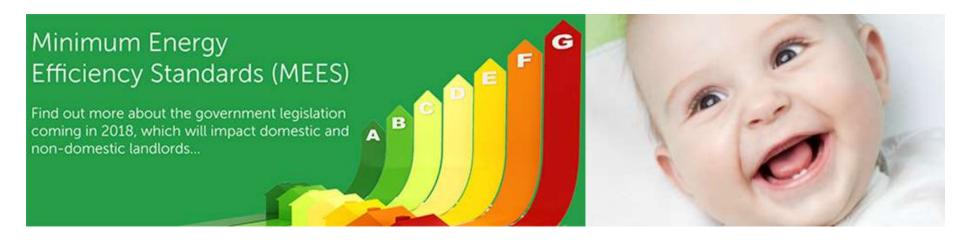
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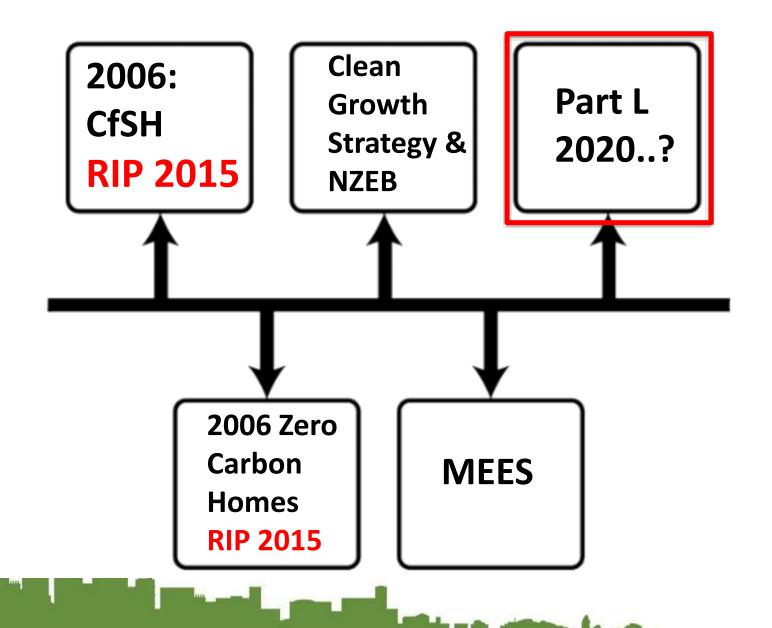
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From April 2018, landlords of privately rented domestic and non-domestic property in England or Wales must ensure that their properties reach at least **EPC rating of E** before granting a new tenancy to new or existing tenants

## **NATIONALLY**



# PROBLEMS TO AVOID

- Excess heat in homes resulting in high internal temperatures
- Bedrooms reaching temperatures above 26°C at night (CIBSE TM52)
- Living rooms with temperatures above CIBSE TM52 standards

- No shading or High G value window
- Restricted windows single aspect
- Ventilation unit not sufficient for purge ventilation

- Un-insulated services
- Unwanted heat from communal pipework





#### WHAT TO DO?

- Reduce solar gain by:
  - External blinds, louvres or shutters
  - Overhanging eaves, balconies and window reveals
  - Low G value of glazing G < 0.4
  - Internal blinds within double glazed unit
- Windows should be fully openable, and allow safe, secure purge ventilation in all cases
- Internally exposed thermal mass such as concrete, plaster, tiles or brick can help regulate temperatures when combined with secure night time ventilation
- Planting should be well irrigated and positioned in order to shade windows from summer sun





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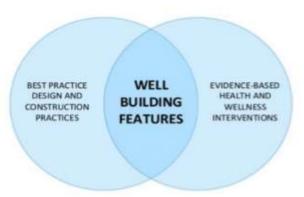
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Performance-based assessment methodology to measure the impact of the built environment on human health

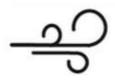
Based on 7 years of research



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#### WELL v.2



Air



Water



Nourishment



Light



Movement



Thermal comfort



Sound



Materials



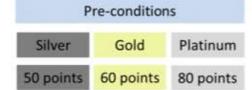
Mind



Community



Innovation



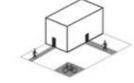






#### **FITWEL**

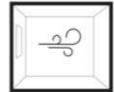












Location

Building access

Outdoor Space

Entrance and Ground floor

Stairwells

Indoor **Environments** 





















105 Points (out of 144)

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Emergency **Procedures** 







Food services







#### **CLIMATE EMERGENCY**

In UK +/-50 per cent of the population lives in areas that have declared a climate emergency
598 jurisdictions in 13 countries have declared a climate emergency



# **INTERNATIONAL**

