



A response to Mayor Sadiq Khan

The problem in London is burning wood on open fires. According to BEIS 70% of the wood burnt in London is burnt on open fires, even though this is not permitted under the Clean Air Act. This is the worst way to burn wood both from the heat generated and the emissions produced.

Replacing open fires and older stoves with the new Ecodesign Ready stoves could reduce emissions by 90%. The Stove Industry Alliance (SIA) has proposed an upgrade scheme to help people move away from their open fires and enjoy the benefits of a modern clean burning stove.

This could give the city a quick and sustainable win on air quality.

The Mayor has proposed reforming the Clean Air Act to set tighter emission limits for wood-burning stoves and create zones where the burning solid fuels is forbidden. The Ecodesign regulations will give him what he is looking for, with PM emission limits that are 55% lower than the current Clean Air Act limits. The Ecodesign emission limits are due to come into force in 2022 but the SIA has introduced the stoves now.



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