

## Scotland to Boost Eco-Friendly Housing

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January 17, 2013 (FPRC) -- Scotland is spearheading the campaign to make new homes being built more eco-friendly. The energy efficiency plans is aiming to cut carbon emissions by up to forty per cent with new-build homes incorporating higher efficiency construction methods and technologies. The initiative is being led by the Scottish Government who wants to cut their carbon emissions significantly in the next two to three years.

It is hoped that new homes in Scotland that are constructed by developers and house builders will be twenty per cent more efficient than those currently being built. Energy efficiency for commercial buildings are also being included and new-build commercial buildings or retrofitted buildings have a goal to be forty per cent more efficient than older commercial properties.

Other opportunities and ways to reduce Scotland's carbon emission through improved building and construction will also be researched and reviewed by a panel. The principle ways to reduce emissions from homes is to prevent heat loss through insulation and heat exchange systems, implement renewable fuel and heating sources such as solar panels and making heating and energy systems in the home more energy-efficient.

As well as seeing new homes in Scotland that are built incorporating zero-carbon methodologies, retrofitting properties will also be included as part of the strategy to enable existing housing stock become more carbon-neutral and add to the energy efficiency overall in Scotland.

The Scottish Government are keen to reduce their overall carbon emissions as part of their overall Low Carbon Scotland strategy and their Energy Efficiency Action Plan which lays out the Government's plan of action to encourage carbon-neutral efficiency and improve the energy efficiency in Scotland as a whole, especially in the residential sector.

They have previously laid out plans to have every home insulated and draught-proofed with a forecast of at least 100,000 homes adopting individual or community renewable heat sources for both heating the home and water.

Notes to Editors:

<http://www.newhomesinscotland.uk.com> is a property website that specialises in thousands of new homes in Scotland available from major house builders.

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