



## Global Energy Manager: Politician



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Of course we need to take action on climate change. I, personally, will be changing to a cleaner, less polluting car, as soon as the right model, in the right colour, is available.

You must remember that jobs and livelihoods are at stake here. We cannot - and must not - rush into a decision. It is imperative to consider renewable energy, but we must take public opinion into account.

We should look at how we can manage the effects of climate change - let's build better sea defences and help our farmers change to different crops. UK farmers could plant vines and make wine. The Romans did that in the past, apparently. There will be some unfortunate problems abroad, and we will endeavour to help poor countries, but our voters expect us to prioritise problems at home.

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You believe that climate change is bound to happen and that governments should focus on managing the effects, with better flood defences and investigation of how economies will be affected.

You have THREE choices. Read the information and look at the evidence. Then try to come to an agreed position on which choice to support.

1. Encourage people to use less energy. Spend more on flood defences.
2. Use the tax system to penalise high energy users.
3. Introduce new laws to ban certain kinds of energy use, such as 4x4s and patio heaters. Introduce congestion charging in towns and cities.