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VELUX wants new solar policy

VELUX has launched a campaign to urge the government to make the use of solar thermal technology mandatory in all new builds. The company wants a blanket policy adopted which would see this technology installed in all new homes to further improve the energy efficiency of the new housing stock, while bringing the industry closer to the Government's ambitious eco-targets.

The campaign comes amidst concerns that the UK is falling behind other European countries, such as Spain, which already have legislation in place to ensure solar thermal technology is installed in new homes.

Solar thermal is one of the few tried and tested eco technologies currently on the market, able to provide up to 70% of a home's hot water requirements, making it one of the simplest and most cost effective ways to significantly increase energy efficiency across new housing stock.