

# What did the June 2025 Spending Review ever do for us?

## Energy & Net Zero (DESNZ)

- **Department for Energy Security and Net Zero:** Receives a 0.5% budget increase over the next three years.
  - **Clean Power:** £8.3bn allocated to Great British Energy and Great British Energy-Nuclear for domestic clean energy.
  - **Nuclear Power:**
    - £14.2bn for Sizewell C (3.2GW nuclear project in Suffolk).
    - Additional private investment expected via UK-France summit.
  - **Small Modular Reactors (SMRs):** Rolls-Royce selected to deliver UK's first SMRs, backed by £2.5bn.
  - **Nuclear Fusion:** £2.5bn to develop a fusion power plant in Nottinghamshire, aiming for limitless clean energy and job creation.
  - **Nuclear Waste:** £13.9bn for the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority to manage and secure legacy sites.
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## Industry & Innovation

- **Carbon Capture (CCUS):** £9.4bn for East Coast, HyNet, Acorn (Aberdeenshire), and Viking (Humber) projects.
- **Steel Industry:**
  - £500m grant to Tata Steel for green steel production at Port Talbot.
  - Additional sector funding pending strategy finalization.
- **Advanced Manufacturing:** £3bn (2026–2030) to support zero-emission vehicles, batteries, and green aviation.
- **R&D Investment:**
  - Annual R&D funding to reach £15.2bn by 2030.
  - £22.6bn total by 2030 for AI, life sciences, and digitization.

- **Green Freeports & Investment Zones:**
    - £160m each for North East Scotland and Glasgow City Region.
    - £25m each for Inverness & Cromarty Firth and Forth Green Freeports.
  - **North East Scotland Investment Zone:** Focus on green industries, floating offshore wind, and green hydrogen.
  - **British Business Bank:** £2.9bn to support UK business growth, increasing total capacity to £25.6bn.
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## **Nature & Farming**

- **Defra Budget:** Faces a 2.7% cut over three years.
  - **Nature-Friendly Farming:** £2.3bn/year plus £400m for non-farming nature recovery (2026–2029).
  - **Environmental Land Management (ELMs):** Funding to rise from £800m to £2bn by 2028/29, supporting biodiversity and environmental targets.
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## **Transport**

- **Department for Transport:** Budget cut by 5% over three years.
- **Urban Transport:** £15.2bn for electric buses, tram lines, and metro upgrades outside London.
- **Transport for London:** £2.2bn grant (2026–2030).
- **Local Transport Grant:** £2.3bn for bus lanes, cycleways, and congestion relief.
- **Rail Upgrades:**
  - £10.2bn total (excluding HS2).
  - £3.5bn for TransPennine route (Manchester–Leeds).
  - £2.5bn for East-West Rail (Oxford–Cambridge).
- **HS2:** £25.3bn to continue Birmingham–London section under new leadership.
- **Electric Vehicles:** £1.4bn for EV grants; £400m for charging infrastructure.
- **Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF):** Advanced Fuels Fund extended to 2029–30.
- **Heathrow Expansion:** Government reaffirms support for third runway.

- **Cycling & Walking:** £616m for infrastructure.
  - **Bus Fare Cap:** £3 fare cap extended to March 2027.
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## **Housing**

- **Warm Homes Plan:** £13.2bn for heat pumps, energy efficiency, solar panels, and batteries.
- **Affordable Homes Plan:** £39bn to build 1.5 million homes with low-carbon standards under the Future Homes Standard.