

Budget Related Motion for a Solar Unit

This Assembly welcomes the ambition in Government's Solar PV Strategy to ensure that "not one inch of suitable Government roof space is wasted", and the target to install solar panels on 24,000 schools. We note that to date London has the lowest rate of solar panel installation per home of any region in the UK, and are concerned that London's schools may also miss out on this opportunity.

This Assembly notes that the Mayor's draft budget for 2015-16 lacks any specific work stream to support this strategy in London, and that he has £0.5m unallocated in the Development, Enterprise & Environment Directorate budget to fund additional smaller programmes.

This Assembly therefore calls on the Mayor to strongly consider funding a solar PV delivery unit using some of this unallocated money.

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