

To whom it may concern.

I am just writing to air my views and concern about the banning of burning turf and timber. I am an old age pensioner in my 70s and I live in a council house built by the council in the seventies and my range was geared up to burn turf and timber so that is the only heating system I have got. They are building new houses now which has no chimneys that is fine for the younger generations. I have lived all my life with turf and timber so I guess I will finish up with it. I live alone my income is £267

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a week pension. I can tell you there is a lot of calls for it some weeks I don't have £5 to meet the next week I can get a bit of kindling and a bit of turf from time to time when I have a bit spare to buy it. There is no way I can change my heating system with the exchance of it. So I wish there was a bit more thought put into the way pensioners are struggling to survive. The pensioners have to pay out for every thing just like as if I was earning a wage I have to pay property tax and all the other house hold bills. So I feel enough haste and struggle to keep going without adding on any more

I lay back a loan out of
my pension and I can tell
as I don't have much left
over by the time all is paid.
So I hope the timber and turf
will be around as long as I live
or if not I guess I will be
dying with the cold.

Thank you.