



Press Release

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“Not turning clocks back would save energy” says Twigg

The Director of the Foreign Policy Centre, and a former Government Minister, STEPHEN TWIGG today said:

“Turning the clocks back, as Britain will do on Sunday morning will be a move back on the need to save energy.

“By making it get dark one hour earlier, more people will be using energy – for instance by turning on lights or heating an hour earlier. It is also more dangerous for those travelling home in the dark. We need to do much more in Britain to conserve energy at a time of inflated oil prices, and potential damage to the environment.

“America has recently decided to extend their summertime period for another two months in order to conserve energy. Administration officials believe the measure will save 100,000 barrels of oil a day.

“I urge the government to extend summertime in Britain and help us to conserve valuable energy resources.”

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Editor’s Notes

British summertime will officially end at 02.00am on Sunday 30 October 2005, when the clocks will be set back by 1 hour.

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