

Desperate Tories re-announce energy bill plan with no proper detail or commitment to help working people – Long-Bailey

Rebecca Long-Bailey, Labour's Shadow Secretary for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, in response to the Conservatives' announcement on an energy price cap, said:

"This is desperate stuff from the Tories, re-announcing something they tried to get a headline for just a fortnight ago.

But just as when they announced it last time, there's still no proper detail nor any real commitment to helping working people.

"When the Tories say they'll 'cap' bills, the question they need to answer is whether they can guarantee bills won't go up for people next year – that's the real test. A cap suggests a maximum amount that can be charged, not a promise that bills won't go up year on year.

"The reality is that the Tories aren't offering anything for working people. Their record is one of failure and broken promises, letting ordinary people down at every turn. Over and over they've promised to get bills down but under them households are almost £900 worse off due to increase energy bills since 2010.

"Only Labour can be trusted to deliver a country for the many rather than just the few. All the Tories offer is broken promises and a record which has seen working people worse off."