CIBSE announces dedicated resource for the domestic building services sector with the Domestic Building Services Panel (DBSP) migration

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CIBSE is pleased to announce that the Domestic Building Services Panel (DBSP) has now formally migrated into CIBSE, becoming the CIBSE Domestic Building Services Panel (CIBSE DBSP).

This important step establishes a dedicated resource within CIBSE to support the domestic sector with authoritative guidance, best practice and technical expertise.

Known as the *"association of associations,"* DBSP brings together more than 12 member organisations representing the mechanical, regulatory and training sectors. With significant influence across the UK, DBSP plays a key role in shaping political, standardisation and commercial policy, while providing trusted design, technical and good practice guidance for heating engineers.

The panel is committed to advancing best practice in the survey, design, installation, commissioning, operation and maintenance of domestic building services. Its work underpins the safe, efficient and reliable provision of comfort in homes through the systems that enable effective energy use and delivery.

By becoming part of CIBSE, the panel will continue to develop and maintain impartial guidance on domestic building services systems – from space heating and hot water to integration with wider energy systems. This guidance supports specifiers and technicians involved in the design and installation of heating systems in domestic and light commercial buildings.

"As the CIBSE DBSP, we're bringing together expertise and credibility to support the domestic building services community with trusted guidance and best practice", says Andy Mathews, Chair of CIBSE DBSP.

As part of CIBSE's commitment to strengthening its support for the domestic sector, the Institution has recruited a Domestic Sector Technical Manager (a role funded by DBSP) within its Technical Team. This role will focus on developing and coordinating guidance, monitoring regulatory and policy developments and ensuring that the needs of domestic building services practitioners are represented across CIBSE's work.

The migration of DBSP into CIBSE strengthens the collaboration between professional and trade bodies in the domestic building services sector, recognising the importance of CIBSE's brand in supporting and amplifying the panel's work.

With CIBSE DBSP now in place, the Institution is able to offer a stronger, dedicated resource for the domestic sector – supporting practitioners, shaping standards, and helping to ensure the delivery of safe, sustainable and efficient building services in homes across the UK.

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