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Low polluting cars - less



Cigarettes: UP 11p for packet of 20



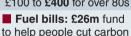
Alcohol: Spirits **UP 55p** bottle Wine **UP 14p** bottle Beer UP 4p pint Cider UP 3p litre

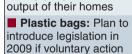


Fuel duty: 2p per litre rise postponed to October



Pensioners: Winter fuel payment up £50 to £250 for over 60s, up £100 to £400 for over 80s







improve GCSE grades Jobs: £60m over next re-enter labour market



2009, child element of tax credit raised by £50 a year Housing: £8m made available for affordable housing. Key workers able to borrow from shared equity schemes if they can afford 50% of price of new home



charge remains at £30.000, to be introduced April - no further change three years to help people in this parliament or next

Source: HM Treasury



Flight tax: To increase by 10% in second half of year

Small business: Loan quarantee scheme increased to £60m this year. Small, medium sized businesses to win 30%

of public sector contracts Capital gains tax:

New regime introduced from April for small and medium sized businesses **■ Corporation tax:** To

fall 10% to 28% from April ■ **Defence:** Spending to

rise by £2bn, including £900m on new equipment © GRAPHIC NEWS