National Assembly for Wales
Environment and Sustainability Committee
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Response from C Basterfield

Dear sir or madam

This is a personal submission by C Basterfield

I submit that NRW by inaction or by the actions of NRW and its subsidiaries their officers and or agents, NRW have :-

• 1. Wilfully neglected duties and responsibilities.

NRW has not protected areas' as required or as it should have done for the whole population for whom it holds authority, land and has been entrusted with many duties and responsibilities .

• 2. Failed to honour it's commitments and agreements.

Independent Arbitration as defined in 2010-15 Newborough management plan, its time base and content. Not liaised on a 2015 forward plan.

• 3. Knowingly exceeded reasonable authority.

In disregarding guide lines and best practice by obtaining finance to carry out and or permitting to be carried out questionable or excessive and possibly unnecessary works.

• 4. Failed to communicate correctly.

Ignored requirements to liaise or communicate as required, in good time, or has not communicated or communicated retrospectively regarding important matters.

• 5. Misrepresented facts .

Permitted to be made false statements in communications with individuals, organisations, groups and with the public at large. Allowed biased, partial personal views and some other agendas to become acceptable and acted upon regardless of its prior agreements and responsibilities.

• 6. Obtained, used and possibly misused or wasted valuable financial resources.

By initiating projects then not completing or alternatively exceeding requirements or by not maintaining or protecting its own and other defined projects and installations. Possibly also by seeking to self perpetuate staffing positions by supporting and obtaining funds for and progressing with questionable work or projects.

NRW has in my opinion a monopoly or unilateral control of approved policy management , finance , fund gathering and fund distribution also acceptable parameters controls reporting , this basis could lead to a certain amount of creativity and could be used improperly or coercively to apply undue pressure or enforce opinion change , there is also a possibility of penalising or excluding from funding organisations that do not or will not concur or comply fully with NRW "agendas and actions" .

NRW Is in an unrivalled over privileged position with a direct line of communication as an accepted advisor to government, it is a prime mover on government policy decisions and as a government body managing, financing, placing and overseeing contracts without any form of 'effective unbiased' controlling body or watch committee, any errors or discrepancies or misdirection's could tend to be authorised covered up and pass completely unnoticed.

Unfortunately any damage done can not at this stage be rectified. for this reason I feel it is essential to instigate changes or further controls by an authoritative body totally separate from any form or representation from within or association with NRW and its subsidiaries or beneficiaries.

I remain yours faithfully C Basterfield. Mr