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Dear Mark Drakeford and Julie James

I strongly object to the part of **Policy 22 - Northwest Wales and Energy** which supports nuclear energy.

Anyone who worries about the environment and the future for our planet should by now realise that nuclear energy is irrelevant to the struggle against climate change as there is a need to decarbonise within a timescale far shorter than it would take for a nuclear reactor to start producing energy. In addition, I hope that you are aware of, and support, the other reasons for opposing nuclear energy, which I list below.

1. The danger to people of having a nuclear waste dump on site for over a century.
2. The failure to deal with nuclear waste anywhere in the world.
3. The huge cost to taxpayers and electricity bill payers.
4. The environmental destruction of building on a greenfield site.
5. The destruction to the environment and the danger to people when uranium is mined.
6. The fiction that nuclear energy is low carbon.
7. The unproven technology that is advocated for small reactors.
8. The uncertainty regarding the number of jobs for local people.
9. The lessons which have not been learnt from the freezing of the Wylfa B project - investing scarce public resources; broken promises to young people on jobs; the folly of depending on one large employer; the lack of an economic back-up plan.
10. The social problems which have developed at Hinkley- e.g. worker suicides and a growth in the exploitation of women as sex workers.
11. The link with nuclear weapons which is admitted by Rolls Royce, a company keen to build a Small Modular Reactor at Trawsfynydd.
12. The huge problems which will be left to future generations.
13. The lack of public funding for Renewables if such funding is used to support Nuclear.

The above reasons all go against the intent of your own exemplary legislation, which is the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. I find totally incomprehensible how supporting the production of the most toxic waste devised by humanity can be of benefit to future generations. Instead it is a poisoned legacy which Wales would leave to its own children and to the whole planet. I therefore think it would be irresponsible to advocate such a course of action.

Yours sincerely

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