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I think some of the working assumptions that appear to be informing the plan from the outset are heroic. For example, it might prove unwise to assume, given the economy and landscape of much of Wales and a twenty year time horizon, that the future inevitably lies with electrically powered vehicles, or, if so, that currently perceived "renewables" are the only way forward, as opposed to fission, fusion, or benign gas (wherever sourced).

I am not clear what distinct values, principles, criteria inform the plan or "framework" (there is or should be a difference), and what relative weight is intended to be given to those that are articulated and, indeed, those that are not. Perhaps its largest lead principle is a tacit assumption in favour of "development", but, particularly in the context of a self-declared "climate emergency", it really is not obvious that any such unargued presumption is tenable or defensible. As a result, I am not clear, either, whether, whatever the document is, it would actually carry in law as much weight as appears to be implied, or assumed.

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