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Dear Sir /Madam

WANA (Welsh Anti Nuclear Alliance) strongly opposes the part of the 22-North-West Wales policy and energy supporting nuclear energy.  
The Welsh Government has recently declared a Climate Change Emergency . Climate change is the most important issue facing us today and we contend that any new nuclear developments in Wales are a costly distraction, are not low carbon and will add to our already large stockpiles of nuclear waste '

We contend that Wylfa Newydd and any talk of Advanced Nuclear Technologies(ANTS) / Small Modular Reactors (SMR's) are :

- 1.Not low carbon options -The nuclear fuel cycle is a filthy, dangerous and unhealthy process leaving a legacy of radioactive wastes at all stages ; from fuel production to decommissioning. Uranium the vital fuel component for nuclear reactors is a finite resource and is imported from countries such as Kazakhstan and Niger and its production is energy intensive. This fuel travels an average distance of 2,500 miles before it reaches us.
- 2.Are a costly distraction to meeting climate change targets - To reduce global greenhouse gas emissions by 40 to 60 % by 2030, and down to zero by 2050, we need cost-effective, proven energy generation technology that can be scaled up to meet these benchmarks. Nuclear power does not and will not ever meet these criteria
- 3.Are at variance with The Wellbeing of Future Generations Act 2015 . This flagship legislation offers a huge opportunity to make long-lasting, positive changes for future generations around clean energy.

There is now substantial evidence that Wales can become 100% self –sufficient in energy without any input from nuclear. Both the Institute for Welsh Affairs (IWA) and Zero Carbon Britain show how it can be achieved.  
Wales should follow the lead of the Scottish Government which has stated its ...”continued opposition to new nuclear stations under current technologies. And is moving ahead with ambitious targets to cut emissions ...”<https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.gov.scot%2Fpublications%2Fscottish-energy-strategy-future-energy-scotland&data=02%7C01%7CNDP%40gov.wales%7C56b8ca407bc64d9d51308d767b0f66d%7Ca2cc36c592804ac78887d06dab89216b%7C0%7C1%7C637091882062499692&data=0Elmb387w5NNQzh7x3o0I2ly9t9ECv6evWNIQxeQGic%3D&reserved=0>

The Zero Carbon Britain Project offers hard data and the confidence required for vis-ualising a future where we have risen to the demands of climate science. It shows we can provide a reliable energy supply for the UK with 100% renewable energy sources and flexible carbon neutral back up - without fossil fuels, nuclear power, or gambling on the promise of future technology  
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