

HRLN 03 - Evidence from: Steering Group Glyncoch

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Atal a gwrthdroi colli natur erbyn 2030 | Halting and reversing the loss of nature by 2030

1. Your views on the effectiveness of current policies / funds / statutory duties in halting and reversing the loss of nature by 2030.

(We would be grateful if you could keep your answer to around 500 words).

They are obviously not working effectively. Been going since 2022 but things are still declining

The White Paper states what changes should be made but the targets haven't been met yet. We desperately need the Nature Bill.

2. Your views on the progress towards implementing the Biodiversity Deep Dive recommendations.

(We would be grateful if you could keep your answer to around 500 words).

I fully support the Deep Dive Recommendations, although 2050 is a long way off. The help is needed now. This is an emergency. Our species in our locality have already been ripped out of their habitat. We have the highest rates for lung diseases because of the lack of trees and a rapidly expanding quarry which is raping our lands and wildlife and poisoning our waterways. Of course the policies aren't working at the moment. We need your help urgently to stop it all and reverse it all so our trees and hedgerows can grow and nature will be returned to her natural, beautiful self. We need funding and implementation desperately. Climate change is not the only reason for loss of habitat, it's the greedy humans who think money is more important, well, it's not.

3. Your views on current arrangements for monitoring biodiversity.

(We would be grateful if you could keep your answer to around 500 words).

Monitoring is very poor, non-existent really. We have 2 air monitors in a district of more than 2000 houses filled with babies and children. They are breathing in toxic air, have nowhere to run around, no beauty to see or wildlife to observe and care about. I've been lucky to have such experiences but they never will. We seriously need Monitoring.

4. Your views on new approaches needed to halt and reverse the loss of nature by 2030.

(We would be grateful if you could keep your answer to around 500 words).

We urgently need to stop a quarry expanding, blowing up an ancient mountain where ancient artifacts have been discovered, where pilgrims walked, where the Welsh National Anthem was written, where peacocks, pheasants, fox, hares, rabbits, stoats, weasels, protected bats, frogs, hawks and owls once lived. We need fresh air to breathe. Our children are going to die at a very young age.

5. Do you have any other points you wish to raise within the scope of this inquiry?

(We would be grateful if you could keep your answer to around 500 words).

I know there's no magic wand but we need the funds and the expert help. I am willing to join you.