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Moving on, the revolving door and lobbying is a big problem. There is a merry go round of jobs. Politicians and government officials become lobbyists, lobbyists get jobs with major media outlets and so on. Journalists then get jobs with political parties. There is a whole web of incestuous connections and it is impossible to discern between any of them. The biggest loser is our fledgling and failing Welsh democracy.

As I have said for years, a register of lobbyists is needed. That alone though will not make much difference. The public has a right to know who pays what and for what reason. Everything should be declared, in particular conflicts of interest. Lobbyists should not be allowed to hold political office in political parties and there should be a

cooling off period of at least 5 years on politicians or officials being able to accept roles with lobbying firms.

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Lobbying is a cancer at the heart of Welsh politics, which you well know.

Yours sincerely,

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