

Health and Social Care Committee
Human Transplantation (Wales) Bill
HT(Ind)13 - John Milton

To whom it may concern.

I understand that the Welsh Government is consulting the general public as to whether to introduce a new scheme whereby all citizens in Wales will be presumed to have consented to organ donation unless they file a formal refusal prior to their death.

These proposals raise serious ethical problems since presumed consent in effect equals no consent and organ donation should, in fact, be treated as a voluntary gift characterised by free will - not an obligation. I would like to respond to the consultation to say NO to this presumption.

I would not wish my organs to be donated after my death, and would prefer to opt into the scheme if I was persuaded rather than be dragged in if I fail to remember to address the issue before I expire.

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