Shed and Corruption - Part 18

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Cc: Emma Lewell-Buck MP, Anne-Marie Trevelyan MP, Monitoring Officer, Alison

Hoy

## Hi Melanie,

Please see, UKD Slipway Enclosure. It has recently been posted as Shed and Corruption - Part 18. I first sent Part 17 to Emma privately, before Parliament closed for the Summer recess on June 21st mainly because it concerned her former partner who said he was her Office Manager, who along with his colleague had appeared to have sided with those who had tried to deselect her between the time Johnson and Rees-Mogg attempted to prorogue Parliament and the 'Get Brexit Done' election in late 2019.

From the Chronicle, 8th October 2019:-

South Shields MP Emma Lewell-Buck has described Labour activists trying to force her out as "bullies and tricksters".

She issued an angry statement vowing to fight on, after her opponents in the local Labour Party succeeded in triggering a full re-selection contest.

It means other party members will be invited to apply to become Labour's candidate for the South Shields seat, with activists voting to decide who should represent the party at the next general election.

Ms Lewell-Buck said: "I want to state here and now, because of those lovely, kind, principled people, I will fight this evil in my constituency party every inch of the way."

And she condemned local members who organised the campaign to hold the contest. The MP said: "Councillors and their supporters have been ringing, texting, phoning and turning up at members' homes, insisting that they take part in a vote to have me removed.

What was equally disturbing was that the Councillor who was helping me in my fight against the corruption endemic in the Town Hall was being excluded by the same Labour activists from the Labour Group at the same time. The Cllr was Councillor Hamilton.

I say endemic because what began with your protest about UK Docks' shed in 2013 spread throughout the Town Hall and it appears the current Chief Executive is not prepared to do anything about it. I took over your protest following the meetings of the Tyne Gateway Assn and the Town Hall and the Tyne Gateway Assn meeting of November the 25th 2013 because I was present at both and met the same dumb insolence that you met when you asked the planning office to confirm its approved height.

This has been refined over the years to:-

"Any emails you make to officers of the Council regarding this subject, will not be acknowledged or responded to. Any complaints you may wish to raise with the Council must be emailed to the Customer Advocacy inbox. . . Alison Hoy, 29th April 2022.

It was first put in place in in October 2016 but occasionally the wall of silence is breached:-

"I am writing to acknowledge receipt and confirm that this matter will be looked into and you will receive a response week commencing 4th January. . .

Leah on behalf of the Monitoring Officer, 24-Dec-20.

Presumably the Monitoring Officer was leaned on because I received no response though she had been allowed to say two years ago:-

"My email dated 19 December 2019 set out the final position on this matter. It remains the case that all complaints procedures relating to this matter have been exhausted both internally within the Council and externally... Nicola Robason 27-Jul-20.

The complaints procedure was not resolved either internally or externally in the same way that to say a structure is lawful to mean that it had been approved. The simple truth is that the approved plans from 1996 confirm the shed's height at its river end should have a height of 15.5m but the structural framework erected in 2013 meant it would have a finished height of 18.2m at that end.

Kind regards Mick

PS - Emma's MP inbox was back to normal by the time I had started the S and C series.