

Common Purpose – Culture & the arts – Links people, organisations and motives via William Clark

The author who described certain members of Demos as mindbenders was William Clark in his article *The Tainted Word*

As a reminder here are some extracts from his with relevant names and comments emboldened.

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In 1998 at the direction of the Government, an '*on-line think tank*' called **Nexus** initiated (within 'on-side' academic circles) a series of debates on the **Third way**, involving Anthony Giddens; David Marquand, Principal of Mansfield College, Oxford (also Demos); **Julian Le Grand**, Professor of Social Policy at the LSE (London School of Economics); and the Directors of the Institute for Public Policy Research and the **Fabian Society**

Their web site promoted links to several right-wing think tanks and war mongering arms of the cold war including: The Royal Institute of International Affairs, The RAND Corporation, The International Institute for Strategic Studies, The Hudson Institute (founded by Herman Khan the model for Kubrick's Dr Strangelove), The Heritage Foundation, The Centre for Policy Studies, The Institute of Economic Affairs, The Aspen Institute, The Adam Smith Institute and so on...

what do you know, Zeldin is along with **Christie** and Mulgan, also a **core member of Demos**.

Christie currently works for the Cabinet Office with Mulgan. For nine years a Fellow of the Policy Studies Institute and the Henley Centre: he's a think tanker's think tanker. He also has his own little organisation 'Green Alliance' (GA). A typical GA pamphlet, by **Christie, argues the political case for sustainable development as a rationale for the EU**.

Think Tanks such as Demos also pander to the strategies, structures and operating processes of major corporations which are complicit factors in the reduction in the political and economic power of nations.

A corollary to this is the ever decreasing ability of governments to meet the needs and expectations of their constituents. The ulterior motive of 'corporate community engagement' is to pirate money from government social

management infrastructures which will in the long term eventually abrogate responsibility for social policy to large financial concerns. A great deal of this has been rationalised by **think tanks** as part of a '**Third way**' approach. As we will see later **the people who run them are becoming adept at obtaining government money through phoney cultural projects**.

Demos trustees bring together mind benders Sir Douglas Hague (former adviser to Margaret Thatcher), Jan Hall (Chief Executive of the advertising agency Gold Greenlees Trott), Martin Jacques (Co-founder of Demos, former editor of Marxism Today, the curiously anti-socialist journal) and **Julia Middleton (Chief Executive of Common Purpose)**.

Common Purpose

Demos has spawned all manner of parasitical children. Take the example of Common Purpose (CP). This was **started by Demos trustee Julia Middleton**. It has been around for sometime but gained a great deal of funding with the advent of New Labour and its service towards business elites. Initially money was put in **by David Bell, the Chairman of the Financial Times** (and the Millennium Bridge Trust). CP is another strange organisation, a kind of secret society for careerists.

With Trustees such as Gerry Robinson, the ex-Coca Cola salesman who is now **chairman of the Arts Council of England** and Janet Paraskeva, the **director of the National Lotteries Charities Board** (the 'independent organisation' which distributes National Lottery money supposedly to charities and community groups') **CP has specialised in channelling money away from genuine charitable causes**. Demos is also partially funded directly via the Arts Council/Lottery 'New Opportunities Fund'.

The illusion of independence from funders and government was abandoned with CP's biggest project, 'Citizen's Connection'. Tony Blair's old flat mate Lord Falconer's New Millennium Experience Company (NMEC) said that: "Camelot, NMEC and *Common Purpose* created...**Citizens Connection**."

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Link to article>>>> [The Tainted Word by William Clark](#)

You will recall that **Julian Le Grand**, chairman of a ministerial advisory board called Health England, promoted the idea of a [permit to buy tobacco](#) earlier this year. A Freedom of Choice Permit? Bloody hell!!

In relation to third way organisations (Charities to you and me) Clarke states that the people who run them are becoming adept at obtaining government money through phoney cultural projects.

Lets now move back to examine the Clore Duffield Foundation and see if we can join some more of the dots.

A welsh MP seems to have connections with many of the organisations that we are examining.

Chris Bryant, MP Rhondda

In 1994 he became **London Manager for the educational charity, Common Purpose.**

From 1998-2000 he was **Head of European Affairs at the BBC.**

Following his election as Rhondda's MP in June 2001 he has served on the **Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee** of the House of Commons, as well as the Joint Committee of the Lords and Commons on **Reform of the House of Lords.**

From November 2002 to May 2007 he was Chair of the **Labour Movement for Europe.**

He is an Associate of the **National Youth Theatre** of Great Britain and a member of the Coop Party, Amnesty International, Amicus and **the Fabians.**

Link to [Biography](#)

On 2nd December 2003 BBC Home reported that

Labour MP Chris Bryant has apologised for e-mailing a picture of himself in his underpants via a gay website.

After the picture was published by a number of newspapers, the 41-year-old Rhondda Labour MP issued a statement on Tuesday apologising.

It read: "I'm sorry this has happened. I've always been open and honest about my private life but never sought to make an issue of

it.

"I'm saddened that others have sought to do so. The important thing is the work that I do for my constituents as an MP.

[MP 'sorry' over underpants photo](#)

and naturally he voted **very strongly for introducing a smoking ban**

Link to [Source](#)

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*Where **COLLECTIVE** wisdom is used to create innovative ideas and solutions to the challenges facing our world today.*

*Imagine all for the sole purpose of creating a better world for **FUTURE GENERATIONS**.*

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