

Maria Lucas, Monitoring Officer (now former MO), Sue Toland, Independent Chair (now former IP) and an Independent Person appear to have agreed to amend the Code of Conduct for Councillors *after* that Monitoring Officer had been made aware of multiple breaches of that Code. It then appears that a trio, including Tony Drew, Independent Person, considered complaints related to the failures to declare hospitality, against a Code not in force at the time of the complaints, it appears that these individuals operated as a cabal.

From 2011 to 2016 inclusive, the University of Bath sent individual invites to every B&NES Councillors for the Founders Day Dinners, a total of 418 invites. In 2018 the then Leader of The Council was requested by the University to identify members of Bath and North East Somerset Council to be invited as guests, this list included Mark Shelford, then Deputy Leader of the Council & Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment, currently he is the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Following the 2018 Dinner it appears that the University, the Council, the National Trust, and the owners of New Leaf Farm entered negotiations regarding Community Asset Land, Land owned by the University, and land at New Leaf Farm, all in the Bathampton area.

The Community Asset Land, and New Leaf Farmland were independently valued at approximately £15,000 per acre, round figures.

The Community Asset Land was given to the National Trust for free, even though it is understood the National Trust offered the full £915,000 valuation. The New Leaf Farmland was valued at £775,000 (round figures) by the National Trust, documents at HM Land Registry indicate the price paid for New Leaf Farmland was £1,749,531.00, more than *twice* its valuation, a sum not dissimilar to the valuations of Bathampton Meadows, University Land and New Leaf Farm combined.

The National Trust are expecting the University land for free. The National Trust indicated that land has **no** fiscal value. The Councils valuation suggests £45,000, or £99,000 using data extrapolated from the Land Registry records, the maths suggest £58,569.00

It has been brought to the attention of HM Land Registry that **two** of the three parcels of land purchased by the National Trust on the same day, include two areas each with different descriptive names, yet their Plans appears to show the same area of land.