

Another day, and some more corruption

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I posted this in Twitter last night:

<https://twitter.com/richardjmurphy/status/1382797296363048969?s=21>

The contract was worth £300,000.

I belong to a profession where conflicts of interest have been recognised as a threat to objectivity for decades. Any that arise are treated very seriously. As I suggested, abusing this rule is likely to be career ending. So it is possible to enforce such controls.

But apparently not in government.

That, though, is not because it is impossible to do so. It is because those in charge do not want to do so, and that's because they want to gain from abusing this most basic ethical standard of conduct.

It's that choice that is corrupt, as of course is everything that flows from it.