

What will be Brunstrom's legacy? After his influence.

Brunstrom & weapons & uniforms

Under his influence NWPF now look and behave like a paramilitary force and over react to any incident, such as student protests in Beaumauris or a stray calf in Mold.

He was the most enthusiastic supporter (or originator) of the proposal to issue TASERs to many more officers outside the armed response teams and volunteered NWPF for the trials. He had himself tasered on camera or did he?? ... At the end of the NWPF film he turns to the camera and warns the public: *"I very strongly advise you, if faced by an officer and a Taser, that you follow the instructions of the nice police officer, because you will not enjoy the consequences of disobedience"*.

"Amnesty International commented...*"I'm afraid Mr Brunstrom has given the game away because at the end of the video he clearly alludes to police using Tasers when people are merely disobedient. It is not clear to people who watch the video how Tasers will be deployed, and whether they will just be used on disobedient individuals who argue with police"*.

Since then NWPF have tasered sheep and **a sick old man** and have used the TASER more than any other force.

We have had officers patrolling the roads and even our shopping complexes clutching automatic weapons, a disaster waiting to happen.

Diversity and racism. Brunstrom used the term 'Queers' at a formal Police meeting, he advertised for recruits in the Gay (pink) press, he allowed the gay pride flag to be flown from NWPF HQ. At a formal ELWA dinner he stated that 'we' and the South Welsh should work together to fight the English!. He spent more than £1,000 on a public meeting for Poles — and NO ONE turned up. The North Wales force wanted some of the hundreds of immigrants to report "antisocial behaviour". Refreshments were laid on for the expected turn-out of up to 100, but the hall in Corwen, Denbighshire, remained empty. He joined the druids and posed in a white sheet for the press. He used a Police resources to have a chair carved to present to the druids and his own time to support the nationalist political fringe group Cymuned.

Drugs, arrests for dealing dropped by 53% when he took over as CC. He used Police and PA time and facilities and his own working time to campaign for the legalisation of class A drugs against the clearly stated policy of the government and ACPO. Drug dealing and use spread throughout the towns and villages of N.Wales. He wasted large sums of tax money trying to get a needle dispensing machine installed in Colwyn Bay, despite a very good service from local pharmacies

Road safety. He managed the detail design and abuses of the obsessive speed camera policy for the Government via his leadership in ACPO. NWPF are the most prolific users of the mobile van speed trap and often use them illegally and always abusively. Deaths and serious injuries rose after 2001 when the campaign started as did the deaths of cyclists and young drivers. Tourists are often deliberately targetted. He was reprimanded twice by judges, for an illegal phone tapping and scanning 6,500 signatures onto traffic offence legal documents. He has manipulated death and injury STATS such that they have diverged from the STATS from Hospitals across N.Wales.

Force moral and public relations. A Police Authority survey in 2004 concluded that his controlling attitude prevented any officer contributing critically to Policy as he controlled their pay and promotion prospects. In 2008 the Federation survey showed serious levels of stress amongst the frontline officers due to the culture of blame and criticism. He paid bonuses to senior officers who toed the party line and this again attracted criticism from the federation whose leaders he victimised.

Press and Media. He built up a PR dept. that produced distorted reports on the force effectiveness and the levels of crime etc in North Wales and the local press and media were fed tailored stories for verbatim publication. He regularly attacked politicians, and members of the public in the press and notoriously on national TV. His controversial views and attitudes generates media interest and exposure which he thrives on and encourages with outrageous and contradictory statements.

Successes ... He and some officers claim that he has made NWPF a very modern and well equipped force. We believe that there is some truth in this BUT we believe that the resources and our taxes have been misused and diverted towards his pet interests and obsessions such as the armed response, the driving school, the mounted unit, PR dept. and OTT diversity initiatives. All this activity and waste of resources is to the detriment of crime and AB prevention in what has always been a crime free and easy to Police area. The good news is that this infrastructure can NOW be used by the new management team in NWPF to deal with the issues their customers see as their priorities.

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