

Welcome to Aardvark's environmental news briefing

- **Charging ahead: Welsh battery scheme may aid growth of green energy:** One of the UK's largest battery storage schemes, built next to a windfarm, will offer vital services to the National Grid. (theguardian.com 21/05/2017)
- **Donald Trump pulls US out of Paris climate accord to 'put American workers first':** The decision was condemned immediately by environmental campaigners and by the president's political opponents who said it heralded the death of America's position as a global leader. (telegraph.co.uk 02/06/2017)
- **Energy security is possible without nuclear power or fracked gas:** There is a mantra that nuclear and natural gas power stations are essential to keep the lights on in the UK. It's a myth. (newscientist.com 06/06/2017)
- **Waste Industry Group publishes misclassification guide:** The Waste Industry Group has published an "easy to use" guide on common misconceptions in waste classification and how to avoid them. (letsrecycle.com 05/06/2017)
- **China continues green push with world's largest floating solar farm:** The 40-megawatt solar facility in China's Anhui province is built on flooded coal mines. (alphr.com 24/05/2017)
- **Tesco to trial a phase-out of single-use 5p plastic bags:** Select Tesco stores will sell only reusable bags in a 10-week trial that could lead to the single-use bags being phased out in all of its stores. (theguardian.com 24/05/2017)
- **UK government to be taken back to court again over air pollution:** Environmental lawyers ClientEarth have said they are taking the Government back to court over its plans to tackle illegal air pollution. (newscientist.com 31/05/2017)
- **Bring back beavers to fight flooding and pollution, expert claims:** Reintroducing beavers to Britain could help clean up rivers, prevent flooding and minimise soil loss, an expert has claimed. (telegraph.co.uk 03/06/2017)

And finally...

- **What If Bikes Ate Smog?:** No, not metaphorically. We're talking about sending fleets of bicycles with air filtration equipment into the streets to remove nasty airborne particles. (citylab.com 19/05/2017)

Latest news from the Aardvark team

As we have reported before, Aardvark successfully submitted 13 applications for accreditation under the Renewables Obligation at the end of March. In line with normal procedure, OFGEM has called one of these sites up for Audit. Aardvark will continue to provide support to the client in the lead up to the Audit and will attend the site visit alongside the Auditor. For all the Aardvark news go to www.aardvarkem.co.uk.

