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IN HIS excellent article in *TCW* on March 27, which can be read [here](#), Dr Shane Fudge gives many examples of how the man-made global warming hoax is promoted. Here I want to cover what I believe are the main factors that cause people to swallow the lies hook,  and sinker.

It boils down to three principal factors.

1. Lack of common sense

Or to be more accurate, the complete absence of common sense. This is a deficiency easily observed in the behaviour and speeches of politicians. Ed Miliband and Sir Keir Starmer constantly display it in almost everything they do and say. Here in Australia we have their exact equivalents in the Labor prime minister Anthony Albanese and his

sidekick Chris Bowen, Minister for Climate Change and Energy (a job title, just like Miliband's, encapsulating two diametrically opposed responsibilities!)

Sadly, common sense seems largely to have disappeared from modern life. One very occasionally reads about an event or action which is given the accolade 'a triumph for common sense'. The very fact that this expression is needed demonstrates its rarity. When the head of the Royal Air Force, Air Chief Marshal Sir Mike Wigston, paused recruitment of 'useless white pilots' he clearly demonstrated the triumph of political correctness (that ghastly attitude) over common sense. Readers will be able to think of many recent examples where common sense was absent.

When the Food Standards Agency ordered the withdrawal of a product called '3 Nut Butter Spread' from shops because it did not have a 'contains nuts' warning on the jar, it is clear that the agency believed that consumers do not have any common sense.

Possibly the most egregious example of a government action flying in the face of common sense was when, in 2020, the Conservative administration sold the Scunthorpe steel works to the Chinese Communist Party. Unbelievable!

2. Ignorance

One might expect that people who have reached senior positions in industry, government, the armed forces or academia will have received a well-rounded education, but that seems not to be the case. A degree in politics, philosophy and economics (PPE) will not include anything about physics and chemistry, let alone thermodynamics. Likewise law, from which so many of today's politicians have risen.

Australian billionaire mining magnate Dr (yes, a PhD) Andrew Forrest, No 8 on the country's rich list, has for several years espoused the development of 'green' hydrogen to be produced in Western Australia using its abundant wind and solar and exported to the world by the thousands of tonnes. Of course he received huge bungs from the federal government for this. The project was abandoned last month. The reality of the laws of physics eventually dawns even on the most evangelical. Another green hydrogen project in Queensland was shelved last month.

Another multi-billionaire, software giant Atlassian co-

founder Mike Cannon-Brookes, No 3 on Australia's rich list, plans to build the world's largest solar farm in sundrenched Alice Springs and export the electricity produced to Singapore, a distance of 3,500 miles including 2,600 miles of undersea cable via Indonesian waters. One assumes that the Singapore electricity authority will be happy with the power supply being zero from dusk to dawn; but a bigger problem is copper losses over this vast distance. An elementary knowledge of school physics includes this factor; which means that lots of booster stations will be required along the way. This project is still at the searching for (or conning) investors stage. I think we can expect this white elephant to be abandoned before too much government and investor money is poured down its sink hole.

When you have seriously senior public figures such as the Secretary General of the United Nations Antonio Guterres, Prime Minister of Canada Mark Carney, King Charles (when he was Prince Charles) and many more so-called world leaders plugging the hoax narrative, which they naively don't realise is a hoax, it is hardly any wonder that the vast majority of the populations of the West, who rarely read newspapers and never the non-MSM news outlets' websites, believe the scam, not realising that they have been brainwashed.

The problem is that in a political issue one has to convince the public. It is clear that the observation by the British writer, physicist and adviser to Winston Churchill, C P Snow, that ignorance of science on the part of non-scientists (including those who are highly educated) precludes their knowing what to make of a given situation. Sri Lanka offers an example where restrictions on agricultural fertiliser use based on its contribution to greenhouse gases led to widespread starvation and an uprising.

3. Money (of course)

Right away we have a brand-new example of this. The Duke of Northumberland is plastering 34 hectares of his estate with 68,000 Chinese-made solar panels [which could provide enough electricity to power nearly 9,000 homes](#). (Nameplate capacity of course; true only when the sun is directly perpendicular to the panels in a clear blue sky and tapering off to zero at dusk and dawn). The duke, ignoring the protests of residents who will have their village's character ruined and wildlife harmed, will make big money from the scheme with no effort required at all. Likewise the solar farm developer.

Wind and solar farm developers are milking the subsidies, currently £12 billion a year coming directly out of our electricity bills and rising dramatically. A person or organisation seeking easy or free money in a grant application has only to mention the magic words 'climate change' to have money hosed at them by government departments or misguided billionaires such as Jeremy Grantham through his Grantham Foundation.

Conclusion

Too many people who should know better are virtue signalling or living off the hoax.