

offences fees saga they are not historical issues, they have occurred while most of the current Board have been sitting.

The Federation would like nothing more than fairness and equality imposed by an INDUSTRY Board. A Board that could be trusted.

The loss of trust in the PGD Board has caused nothing but conflict so what happens when the public loses trust in the Ministers and their departments?

What happens when we have nowhere to go for help?

And think of this - could an industry appointed Board meet the purpose of the Plumbers Gasfitters and Drainlayers Act?

Give us your thoughts.

Do we belong to them?

When Building and Housing Minister Nick Smith, had to explain how he came to conduct a tour of potential housing sites only to learn that one part wasn't the Government's to sell, we started to think about what the Government was doing, or not doing to our industry.

Put simply - we don't belong to the Government or the Plumbers Gasfitters and Drainlayers Board, so why do we beg and scrape to them so we can apply our trade?

Whatever happened to them WORKING WITH US TO ACHIEVE RESULTS rather than treating us like "MERE TRADESPEOPLE".

Send us your thoughts as it's your industry so have your say, and thanks again to our keen eyed readers on the feedback from last week's issue!!

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