

probably not worth investing our time to work out if we can have a lot of trust in them.

It's the same for all of us, isn't it? Illustration: We get unsolicited emails all the time, and so email has evolved to have spam boxes, to hide messages from people we don't know. Because to us they are low-trust.

Trust is only built up over time.

Illustration: me being vetted for 4 months so I could be trusted by HMG to work on TSC projects.

Sometimes it's trust in ourself that we need to build up. Trust that I can speak in public without drying up. Trust that I can be left alone with my new baby and not accidentally kill them.

But if someone I already know and trust tells me that a new organisation or a person is good, then I will approach them very differently. Their trust can be passed on ...

Illustration: ... then working on multi-national TS sharing systems.

We all trust ... the question is in what/who?

I want to take a slight side-track for a minute.

Many in our society think Faith is a different thing. Unfortunately a number of high profile atheists including Richard Dawkins and David Dennett, have twisted the meaning of the word. They've done a good job of convincing the general public that faith is *believing where there is no evidence*. They suggest religions and religious faith is all about blindly believing in fantasies. They want us to look to Science instead. To trust the science. Which, we no know, simply means to have faith in science. They set it up as a "faith vs science".¹

¹drawing on John Lennox