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Dear sir.

Not my words, but these reflect my thoughts perfectly!

'It is shocking that we are even having this discussion in 21st Century Britain. Thankfully though, the majority of the public in the UK find hunting with hounds abhorrent. For most of us, seeing an animal die would be upsetting, not part of a fun day out. Hunters can try and dress up their actions any way they want. "Wildlife management" and "pest-control" are often cited as reasons for their hunts. But let's be clear here. These people enjoy the kill.'

## My words,

I have throughout my life loved and appreciated animals and indeed the countryside, both Scottish and English, however my revulsion at the treatment of animals both in the food chain and for 'blood sport' or hunting has reached It's highest point in my mind.

It seems the amendment of one word in the hunting law, 'deliberately', will make a whole world of difference in helping to allow easier prosecution of those who reject adherence to the law and continue to flout it.

Whilst I realise the laws of trespass are different in Scotland, to be seen to encourage peaceful monitoring of any 'legal hunts' and allowing ease of passage, together with the police supporting the monitoring of hunts, would send a clear signal or message that we are no longer in the 20th Century.

Abuses like those continually made by the hunt fraternity, the pushing of boundaries regarding the existing laws of hunting need to be enforced, unless of course you, or any of its law making supporters are on the side of the law breakers and part of its fabric, unlike the majority of the UK.

Our wildlife should be cherished and allowed to live it's life on this earth, as do we, and we do not have a divine right over them in my opinion,

Many thanks and kind regards Mark Morley

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