

THC and CBD were in our food chain for over five thousand years.

This is not abstract.

This is not political theory.

My childhood memory of two grown men — my dad and his farm manager — trying to figure out what the hell they were supposed to feed their livestock because Westminster had decided hemp (cannabis) was now a moral threat.

And here's the thing:

I witnessed the exact moment a practical, useful agricultural product got turned into “contraband” overnight.

Not because it stopped being safe.

Not because it stopped working.

Not because farms wanted a change.

But because politicians lumped hemp in with recreational drugs and pulled it off the table.

My dad wasn't alone. Farmers all over the UK were suddenly scrambling because:

- **hemp cake was cheap, nutritious, and reliable**, and a stable by product of the rope and cloth industry that,
- the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 wiped out with one sweep of a pen.

No one who didn't live through it understands how disruptive that was. It wasn't a theoretical policy shift — it literally affected what went into livestock feed, how farms budgeted, how supply chains worked.

So when a charity dentist in 2025 treats **my legal prescription** like something scandalous, of course I am fed up.

I remember a time when hemp products were so normal that farmers talked about them the same way they talked about hay or silage.

What I am dealing with here isn't just medical stigma — it's the **same stupidity I watched begin in 1971**, still echoing 54 years later.