

# Funding the Future

## Up one place

Published: January 13, 2026, 4:52 pm

---

Accountancy Age published their Top 50 Financial power List for 2007 today.

After a year's hard work I moved up one place from last year to number 41. They said:

**41: Richard Murphy**  
**Tax Justice Network**

A vociferous campaigner against tax avoidance and sworn enemy of the aggressive tax planning has meant that Richard Murphy is not a popular figure with large accounting firms. Murphy, however, is more than a loony renegade. He is a regular visitor to HMRC and an influential media figure. The tax planning profession will once again be monitoring his activities with trepidation as he continues his crusade to make sure businesses and individuals are not short changing the Treasury.

Which would be nice of them if, as I understand they meant to say, I'm 'not a loony renegade'. And, I would add, TJN is very much a team effort, and I'd like to think that this reflects on all involved around the world.