

Where have the accountants been this week?

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Interesting question.

This has been a massive week for tax.

And as far as I can see the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, the ACCA, the Chartered Institute of Tax, PWC, KPMG, Ernst & Young, Deloitte; all of them have been quite extraordinarily silent.

Not one of them has been pitched against me on the media, although it is common for them to be so. Even the CBI have opted out.

Why is that? Why have they left the space to the think tanks that are trying to fall off the right edge of the world to defend tax abuse?

Is that because they're happy for these people to defend what they or their members do?

Or is it because they're running frightened?

I wonder what Mike Warbuton, John Whiting and Chas Roy-Choudhury have to say? Because they sure as heck have been quiet.

It's all very odd.