

Suppose we were to create new national economic goals

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I have my first post on the [new Progressive Economy Forum blog](#) this morning. In it I argue for revision of our national economic goals, saying:

Suppose, though, we were to set more appropriate economic goals that might replace the almost irrelevant 2% inflation target? What might those goals be? And how might they be implemented?

I suggest there should be five targets, all of which are very obviously related. They are:

- * To create full employment; whilst delivering*
- * rising median earnings from that employment; against a backdrop of*
- * falling income and wealth inequality; to be achieved in an economy where there is*
- * ecological sustainability; with the goal that all should share in a*
- * flourishing economy in which the wellbeing of all people matters.*

I would propose that it is hard to argue against these targets — together, they appear to be the very definition of a successful economy.

The rest of my argument is available [here](#).