

# Funding the Future

## Friday morning thoughts

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From me on Twitter this morning:

 **Richard Murphy** @RichardJMurphy · 1h  
There is no new video from me this morning. But I am in the studio at 9.30 and have a dozen sketched out to record before the day is over. My coffee intake may be abnormally high, even by my standards.

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 **Richard Murphy** @RichardJMurphy · 1h  
I wish I could get excited by the news that I can return to the gym in a couple of weeks time. But not once in my life have I ever got excited by the prospect of going to a gym. And I am pleased to say that coronavirus has not changed that.

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 **Richard Murphy** @RichardJMurphy · 1h  
Rishi Sunak ruled out a wealth tax this week. But he has not ruled out tax rises. So, it will be one rule for the wealthy and another for the rest of us, yet again.

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 **Richard Murphy** @RichardJMurphy · 1h  
The OECD's country-by-country reporting data, published this week, shows that multinational companies are still using tax havens to lower their tax bills. Now the UK wants to create ten freeports, which are tax havens in all but name. Why, unless abuse is the aim?

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 **Richard Murphy** @RichardJMurphy · 1h  
Pubs and restaurants did not go back to normal last weekend. Johnson's demand that we 'drink for the country' would appear to have gone unheeded. My confidence in the UK has risen a little as a result.

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