

Funding the Future

Wednesday morning Sunak thoughts

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From my Twitter account this morning:

-  **Richard Murphy** @RichardJMurphy · Jul 8
The OECD thinks the UK faces short term unemployment of maybe 5 million people. They think it will be about 3 million by the end of the year. They're optimists. And that's still 3m lives blighted. Where is the job guarantee for all those over 25 today? Don't they matter too?
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-  **Richard Murphy** @RichardJMurphy · 1m
Sunak seems to believe that short term gestures are all he needs to win the economic debate and to get us back to 'normal'. I have news for him. There is no return to what he thinks 'normal'. Financial capitalism has died. A wise chancellor would be ushering in the new. He won't.
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-  **Richard Murphy** @RichardJMurphy · 2m
£2 billion for an employment guarantee for under 25s that lasts six months is not an offer of support to a generation facing a lost future, blighted by gov't failure to tackle coronavirus. That's a sticking plaster at best. We need life support - to get young people back on track
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-  **Richard Murphy** @RichardJMurphy · 3m
If Sunak got today right he'd set out a vision for a post-Covid economy. It would deliver full employment. It would highlight care and a Green New Deal. It would transform the rules for business and banking to support those goals. That would be Rooseveltian. It won't happen
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-  **Richard Murphy** @RichardJMurphy · 6m
Just after Sunak gave his first Budget, @theJeremyVine asked me what I thought of it. I said it was a 'disaster'. It was too little, too late, and failed to read the problems that we were going to face. I was right. I very strongly suspect I will be able to say the same today
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