

Funding the Future

he mood changed yesterday. We no longer need a change .

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My mood changed yesterday. My Twitter comment reflect the fact. Begin with this::

 **Richard Murphy** @RichardJMurphy · 22h ...
We supposedly live in a parliamentary democracy. Except now the police are saying that the civil service cannot do their job when that job does not in any way, as criminal lawyers are saying, impinge on their investigations. So do we now live in a police state?

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That gave way to this sentiment:

 **Richard Murphy** @RichardJMurphy · 12h ...
There is nothing normal about the political crisis we are living through. Anyone who claims there is has to either be ignorant or a charlatan. Either way they aren't to be trusted.

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That then lead to this feeling:

 **Richard Murphy** @RichardJMurphy · 13h ...
I never thought I would live through a coup, but that's what seems to be happening. What looks like a conspiracy between the government and police is perverting the course of justice, undermining parliament and leaving us all feeling that we are in a country out of control.

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I still have that feeling. And in response I want action, and not just Labour saying 'we'll do better'. A coup demands real reforms, not just a change of government within the existing system:

 **Richard Murphy** @RichardJMurphy · 10h ...
I wish I was hearing from Labour what their plan is to make sure this never happens again, starting with the written constitution we need to limit the power of the prime minister and the electoral reform that guarantees no charlatan with a minority of votes ever rules again

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I suspect I am far from alone in thinking that the Metropolitan Police has been acting in a way that appears politically motivated and corrupt; that Johnson has no regard at all for the law, accountability and precedent that drives the UK constitution; and we have now crossed the Rubicon. It's not now enough to say we can stop things from failing. It seems clear now that they have failed. The question is not about alternatives within the system. It's about how we might change the system.

We know how to do that:

- * PR
- * A written constitution
- * House of Lords reform
- * Reinforced human rights
- * Accountability for the police
- * The re-empowerment rather than the belittling of government

And so on.

Is it so hard to expect politicians to deliver this now? We have had enough.