

Time to update the blog design?

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Two ideas came in last week as a result of the discussion on the glossary. One [was from regular commentator](#) Ian Tresman. His suggestion is that the glossary should be a wiki and not a PDF download. I do actually [already have a wiki](#) - although it has had little use because no one seemed to follow links to it when I used it. However, what do people think? Or, would it simply be better if the glossary was a separate page on the blog with each definition linked to that rather than being in the rather less familiar wiki format? And talking of the blog, [the other comment](#) came from another commentator also, coincidentally, called Ian. He pointed out three things:

- * The blog is hard to search.
- * It looks a bit archaic (my interpretation of his words: I can be rude about it and he was not)
- * Both could be improved to advantage.
My guess is the search function could be improved but there are real issues that mean it may never work that well:
 - * There are over 20,000 posts on here.
 - * There are also more than 200,000 comments.
 - * Finding anything is not necessarily that easy without a very precise search.
 - * With odd exceptions, most posts I write are written as reactions to events and are not big theory or positioning pieces.

So, it's not easy to find a precise description of modern monetary theory, for example, on this blog precisely because that is not what it was ever meant to provide. The glossary is meant to address this, at least in part, and I think it will. There will be an entry for MMT, for example, and these things could develop over time. But this only tackles one issue. So:

- * Does the blog design need updating to look like those designed in 2023?
- * Does the search function need to improve?
- * Would a section on key issues - longer than glossary entries - be valuable?

I have to say I dislike hate highly visual modern websites where menus are hard to find

and content is hidden from view behind flash graphics (not that I am being opinionated here) but my adviser on this issue (otherwise known as my elder son) says I should ask what other people think because I may not be right (and he thinks that's the best way to tell me). Any thoughts?