

# It's what George Osborne did to the NHS that lays bare ...

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I thought this Tweet and the comment from Sir Michael Marmot a fascinating summary of yesterday's evidence at the Covid inquiry, and especially the view presented by George Osborne that might be summarised as 'if GDP falls, people must die'. It was as brutal as that.

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Sir Michael's evidence is calm, rational and brutally observational. Following the style of James Baldwin, he says, "I hear what you say, but then I note what you did, and it's what you did that persuades me that you had intent to do harm" (I stress, I paraphrase).

I think he's right. Of course, George Osborne intended to cause harm to the NHS, and in turn to all of us.