

We were saved from Truss by her own ability to self des...

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As I [noted in The National yesterday](#):

[Liz Truss's speech at the Institute of Government](#) was a soaring success in three ways. It showed us just how out of touch with reality she is. It demonstrated how crazy the [Tories](#) are, because they voted her as their leader. And it showed that any similar coup will be deeply dangerous for the people of this country.

Truss revealed her deep love of a form of economics that is built on the assumption that we are all automatons living on an infinite planet where global warming cannot happen.

I continued:

And she simultaneously revealed her contempt for the only thing she really knows anything about, which is government and what it can do for people, albeit in the right hands.

The detail of anything else is almost irrelevant. She hates us, democracy, government and anything government can do, and believes that anything that cannot be bought or sold has no value.

Truss must live a miserable, hateful existence. But at least we have been saved from it.

What I did not note there, as I was already over a word limit, was that we have only been saved for now.

We may still get Truss's favourites like Mark Littlewood in the House of Lords. And bizarrely, the BBC asked Julian Jessop of the Institute of Economic Affairs to comment on the speech yesterday. This madness is not entirely going away in other words. We were just saved from it in government, for now. Her insane proposals, based on climate change denial amongst other things, will still be heard. Vigilance is still required.