

Illegitimi non carborundum

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As The Guardian [has noted](#):

The International Monetary Fund has urged Rachel Reeves to consider ending the pensions triple lock and charging for NHS treatment as it said the UK government risks being knocked off course in meeting its targets to repair the public finances.

In a final version of an annual report on Britain's economy, the Washington-based organisation said the chancellor should also give herself more leeway in the next budget before adopting fresh tax or spending measures.

The neoliberal [Washington Consensus](#) that the IMF and World Bank did so much to promote around the world still has life in it, it would seem. The bastards are still trying to grind us down.

And there's still time to fight back. Illegitimi non carborundum* is the right response.

* *Don't let the bastards grind you down*