

## **WARNING !**

**If you are happy with British politics the way they are, please delete this.**

**If you are content with the legacy we are handing over to generations to come, then, again, please delete.**

**If you are absolutely convinced the damage done by the establishment is already beyond repair and it's too late to alter the suicidal course our world is on, then, once more, there is no point in reading further.**

## **BUT, FOR THOSE WITH HOPE AND HUNGER FOR CHANGE - GOOD NEWS! THERE IS STILL A WAY TO TURN THINGS AROUND**

For most of you, I'm the guy who promised to keep you informed on progress with 'Renaissance Britain!'('RB!'). To say things have not gone exactly to plan would be an understatement, so, my apologies for the delay. The good news, though, is, the problems and misfortunes that have led to this delay have all worked out to the benefit of the campaign, in that they have led to a sharpening up of the strategy and the electorate ever more hungry for change.

It is now clear, the key to the campaign will be the Website. Its content and design is largely in readiness. All that's needed is to find the talent with the necessary drive and expertise to bring it to life. Our economic 'recovery' is built on quicksand and Austerity is proving a predictable disaster. Once, we could rely on a new election to furnish a change of Government, before too much harm is done, but, alas, no more. The Opposition is hopelessly split. Our obsolete electoral system, only ever fit for a two-Party contest, is no longer capable of delivering an alternative Government. England is now locked into an inescapable loop of one Party rule. Fortunately, there is still one way to break it, before it completely breaks up our whole United Kingdom... one hope for our democracy... and that is 'RB!'

But 'RB!' offers so much more than rescue from the worst. More even than a means to overcome our present deepening problems. It represents a giant leap forward from the past... history in the making! Too good to be true? All I will say is: - Our only shackles are those we are too timid to break free of. Our only limits are those we impose on ourselves. By all means entertain doubts, it's only to be expected - but, please, don't allow pessimism to be an excuse for inaction... for denying a bold concept the chance to prove itself.

It is not my wish to play the prophet of doom, much less be a purveyor of dire threats. But, when we see our nation mindlessly sleepwalking toward the edge of a precipice and you alone know how wake them before it's too late, to steer them away from disaster and toward prosperity? Can anything stop you from answering that humanitarian call to avert so much suffering and irreparable destruction? - Any bureaucratic barriers? Any cries of negativity? I think not.

So, you be the judge - the sounding board. Until the website is up and running, I will serve as the conduit. Below is a menu of subject matter, plus samples of content, which require wider airing and feedback. You are invited to select all those items of interest for your perusal and comment. Naturally, in the meantime, any useful ideas for help with the website and computer set up will be especially welcome.

Personally, I can't think of anything more urgent than ending the blight on our children's future before it's too late. I hope you feel the same and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Kind regards, Trevor.

[ Apologies to those who would have preferred an 'attachment' format, but it has proven too unreliable and inflexible ]

## **CRADLE OF DEMOCRACY ENDS UP ITS COFFIN!**

### **ELECTION POLLS FOR THE SCRAP HEAP**

It is a truism: Oppositions don't win elections, governments lose them. We all knock the polls for being so far off the mark in forecasting the outcome of the last election. But how much was their fault? Firstly, polls can only ever measure the existing voter mood and this, they did accurately. Former Lib-Dems felt betrayed. UKIP supporters scented a breakthrough. The Greens were seeking to consolidate and poach disaffected left-wingers. While the Scottish Nationalists were riding the crest of a referendum wave.

Neither of the two main Parties could boast a lead beyond the margin of error. Where the polls went wrong was in their failure to take proper account of the unprecedented volume of 'Don't knows', 'uncertains' and 'refusals', plus, strength of intent to go out and vote at all. The percentage who did so were 66%, and if the referendum-rehearsed Scots are removed from the equation, the figure drops to nearer 60%!

### **THOROUGH OVERHAUL NEEDED**

Subsequent investigation reveals that many of the waiverers who did vote, only made up their minds at the last minute, which the polls would never pick up - likewise, those too torn to cast their ballot and those too disillusioned by the whole rotten system - all of which adds significantly to the margin of error. This signals the need for greater depth in discovery and analysis - a complete re-design, no less, of the polling questionnaire template.

The 'Poll Post Mortem' did little more than pick up a few questionable imperfections and completely missed the key determining factor; the waiverers. In the past, pollsters have got away with merely redistributing the 'Don't Knows' proportionately, but, with such a pervasive climate of uncertainty, more scientific measures are called for... taking careful account of both voter psychology and established behaviour patterns.

### **THE ELECTION LABOUR WAS NEVER GOING TO WIN**

The psychology can be easily summed up by yet more truisms: "Better to stick with the devil you know..." and; "Hang on to nurse for fear of worse"; especially apt, when already midway through a course of nasty medicine. Which takes us neatly on to voter patterns of the past, because they too underline our unwillingness to let a job go half done, in that they reflect a definite tendency to award governments a second term of office. The last deviation from this rule dating way back, over 40 years, to the 'winter of discontent'.

Add to this Labour's unabated, self-indulgent sniping at its own Leader and the only wonder is that the government's majority was not greater - albeit courtesy of an expenses cheat! However, General Election polling is poised to become irrelevant; for, as things stand, **THE ELECTION RACE FOR FIRST PAST THE POST IS IMMUTABLY FIXED, SO THE WINNER WILL NEVER CHANGE!** The size of the majority may alter, but the Party in power will not.

### **WHEN THIRTEEN BELLS TOLL**

Already, with the backing of barely a quarter of the electorate, the Tories have managed to secure a slim majority - and that is without its upcoming bonus of controlling planned cuts in the number of constituencies by up to ten percent and deleting vast numbers off the voter register in the knowledge lots of their would-be opponents will not bother to re-apply.

Today, Labour is hopelessly trapped between a rock and a hard place. No matter which way it twists and turns, it cannot free itself. Yes, it can boost its popularity by compromising its principles here, or moderating its policies there. But, for every handful of former

Blair voters it woos back, it will alienate at least as many of it's recent Corbyn recruits.

Nothing short of a nationwide revolt can now unseat the Tories and install some semblance of democratic accountability. Unfortunately, a far more likely, prior prospect, is a full-scale break-up of the UK, leaving England isolated, locked into perpetual one Party rule. The Party of the privileged and the powerful. Polls will be pointless, as will protest. What is more, as Government grows more adept at utilising its powers of 'statutory instrument' to by-pass Parliament, the need for a majority, or even coalition partner, fades away. The words of another truism spring irresistibly to mind, relating to "absolute power!", and '1984'!

## WHAT NO PARTY DARE PROMISE

### OPEN DOOR, OPEN GOVERNMENT, OPEN BOOKS!

In brief, 'RB!' ushers in a new level of **TRANSPARENCY** on what Government is up to. It will investigate past practice, unpicking the figures, exposing the hype, laying bare the lies. It will also open up a **NEW DIMENSION OF INCLUSIVITY**... inviting input and involvement in the policy-making process, including the chance to enshrine and protect the advances made. Channels and mechanisms will be perfected for consulting targeted sections of the public, taking devolution of power and influence way beyond the confines of geography. But, by far the jewel in the crown will be its ground-breaking...

### WHISTLEBLOWER WATCHDOG

Like many of 'RB!'s innovations this too will become self-financing. It will also have the **remit to operate undercover** in order to gather evidence in respect of serious, systemic complaints. **There will be no hiding place**, no curtain of "commercial confidentiality" nor of "national security". Moreover there will be in-built safeguards enabling it to investigate covertly at the very highest levels. The intention is for financial penalties plus publicity opportunities to cover costs. Extra protections for citizens will include against being given misinformation by officialdom and against misuse of personal address/ ID details.

## MENU DETAILS (SAMPLE)

### DEMOCRATIC REFORM : Mission Statement

- \* To put right all the failures and flaws within our ailing democratic system - intrinsic, developed and exploited - while still seeking to preserve and enhance the positives.
- \* To retain its fundamental structure, it's unique historic character, heritage and pageantry, while modernising Parliament's methods and procedures, dragging it out of its time-warp, into the 21st Century, but in a way which will not unsettle.
- \* In short, to set in motion an overdue, disciplined revolution, taking care not to 'throw out the baby with the bathwater' nor to 'frighten the horses'.
- \* The objective: To create a final product which will not only endure, but will grow and inspire all democracies to demand the same exacting standards, safeguards and guarantees of their candidates, seeking high office, to wield power over their lives, over their country.

## **The Plan: *DEMOCRACY COMES OF AGE***

#) RB Cabinet to include RSVP to all Party Leaders plus team of choice (subject to vetting) designated to implement and oversee specific areas of policy. There will be no obligation to agree with any other areas outside their remit or to pass public comment on them.

a) SUPERVOTE! / ELECTORAL REFORM

b) ALL COMMONS/MPs VOTES TO BE FREE FROM PARTY PRESSURE

c) STATUTORY INSTRUMENT FACILITY TO BY-PASS PARLIAMENT TO BE RESCINDED

d) PARTIES TO SEEK COMMON GROUND FOR LONG TERM PLANNING - eg:

- \* FAIR FORMULA FOR FUNDING LOCAL GOVERNMENT ( According to social need)

- \* CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING CONSTITUENCY BOUNDARIES

- \* NON-INTERFERENCE PACT WITH PUBLIC SELECTION PROCESS FOR NEW 'PEOPLES PARLIAMENT' TO REPLACE HOUSE OF LORDS.

- \* HIGHER STANDARDS OF CONDUCT (both at central and local level)

- \* DETERMINE MODEL SALARY STRUCTURE FOR BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE

SECTOR

- \* INTEGRATION OF 'IT' INTO OPERATION OF PARLIAMENT

- \* CONTENT OF NEW 'BILL OF RIGHTS' (Human & Civil)

- \* CONVENTION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM

- \* ELECTIONEERING incl: Party Funding / Promotion / Donation regulation etc

- \* CARE PROVISION FOR ELDERLY - incl: STATE PENSION ARRANGEMENTS AND

NICs

e) GREEN WATCHDOG - Overseeing all Government practice - setting standards for industry

f) EXEMPLARY STANDARDS FOR GOVERNMENT CONTRACTED WORKFORCE - to produce model for all private sector to aspire towards.

g) ENHANCED CONSUMER RIGHTS FOR USERS OF PRIVATISED UTILITIES/SERVICES

h) COMMONS VOTE COUNTS TO GIVE MORE DETAILED BREAK-DOWN OF TOTALS IN MATTERS SUBJECT TO DEVOLVED DETERMINATION

## **ECONOMY & EXCHEQUER : Mission Statement**

- \* To always ensure the books are fully balanced and the economy remains sound.

- \* To ensure all financial and social implications of policy - present and future - are covered in costings, especially for the long term.

- \* Ensure public purse is always prudently managed and that taxation is fair, straightforward, efficient and effective.

- \* Management of public finances to be conducted openly, especially the calculation of performance indicators relating to employment and its itemised components - in the interests of ensuring full integrity.

- \* Always aim to foster maximum consensus - across Parties and public - and to facilitate feedback and review of progress.

## **The Plan: *ECONOMY COMES CLEAN***

a) ACCOUNTANCY TRANSPARENCY - BOOKS TO BE OPEN - ALL FUNDING TRACEABLE

Incl : Facts behind the figures, past and present, thereby exposing Chancellor's celebrated '**Recovery**' as a **figure fiddling fraud and the Austerity program fuelling it, an ideologically driven disaster in urgent need of repair and reversal!** Accordingly it will be our...

\*FUTURE SPENDING AND PRIORITIES THAT WILL ULTIMATELY DETERMINE OUR LEVEL OF BORROWING AND TAXATION - NOT VICE VERSA. Nevertheless...

\*ALL PRODUCTIVE OPPORTUNITIES FOR REDUCTION OF BORROWING AND TAXATION WILL BE SOUGHT OUT AND PUT BEFORE A FREE-VOTING PARLIAMENT.

In that spirit, the...

\*AUDIT COMMISSION WILL BE CONVERTED INTO A **VALUE FOR MONEY WATCHDOG**

- scrutinising full financial impact of all policy, new and existing, incl such as:

. the 'Bedroom Tax' - its cost-effectiveness and social price tag;

. the benefits and savings to be derived by replacing taxation based purely on property value with a more flexible alternative, which takes into account land value, leading to a possible pilot for under-utilized land and properties;

. the cost of personal debt to the economy, identifying opportunities for savings;

. the ending of subsidies to industries which cause harm to society.

. the advantages to be gained from a staged introduction of the 'Citizens Income' - paying special attention to the new Swiss model.

b) OFFICE OF BUDGET RESPONSIBILITY (OBR) & INSTITUTE OF FISCAL STUDIES (IFS)

To work more closely with each other and to co-operate with all Parties wishing to present a budget to ensure they are all adequately costed, based on government projections.

c) BUDGET PRESENTATION TO BE EXTENDED AND REFORMED to accommodate greater advance scrutiny, plus sub-divided voting.

d) NEW FINANCIAL OMBUDSMAN FOR SMALL BUSINESS (to become self-funding)

e) FAIRER TAXATION ACROSS ALL BANDS - incl facility to isolate key content.

f) INCENTIVES FOR PROMPT PAYMENT AND SIMPLICITY OF TAX RETURNS

g) CORPORATION TAX TEAM TO BE INCREASED - SYSTEM SIMPLIFIED, ELIMINATING LOOPHOLES...

Levelling Levies to be applied in cases of unfair competition;

Complex tax avoidance will be subjected to retrospective penalty/ surcharge;

Role and practices of British Dependencies to be subjected to thorough review.

h) EXTRA POWERS FOR SHAREHOLDERS AT AGMS to avoid risk of new tax liabilities.

i) FORMATION OF LOCALISED BANKS TO STIMULATE INVESTMENT WITHIN COMMUNITIES

j) POLICY OF CONTINUAL POPULATION GROWTH TO BE REVERSED - and all related projects/spending plans put on 'hold' pending review.

k) TREASURY TO SERVE AS HOLDING BANK FOR MOTORISTS' FINES THEREBY ALLAYING SUSPICION OF THEM BEING VICTIMISED AS 'CASH COWS'

## **DEFENCE & PEACE PROMOTION : Mission Statement**

\* To provide robust, uncompromised defence and protection against armed/subversive threats against our Nation, its Interests and Allies.

\* To pursue peaceful solutions for settling international conflicts, wherever feasible, productive and progressive.

\* To promote and support initiatives designed to contribute towards and/or engender World Peace & Harmony, including; to aid in natural disasters and combat threats to our planetary life-support system.

\* To strengthen policing powers and authority of the UN, placing our political muscle, manpower, facilities, expertise and intelligence at its

disposal wherever and whenever necessary or appropriate.

**The Plan: *DEFENCE / SECURITY***

- a) NO MORE PENNY-PINCHING - ENSURE ALL FLAGGED THREATS ARE KEPT UNDER OBSERVATION
- b) ALL INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES AND SECURITY FORCES TO FUNCTION MORE AS A COHESIVE UNIT - UNDER ONE CHAIN OF COMMAND - STRENGTHENING COMMUNICATION LINKS OVERSEAS
- c) EXPAND PEACE-KEEPING/RESCUE ROLE AND SKILLS incl: ENHANCED TRAINING AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
- d) PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH CARE PROVISION TO BE EXTENDED BEYOND ACTIVE SERVICE
- e) MAKE READY FOR STRONGER ALLIED GROUND PRESENCE IN MID EAST - SECURING NEW SAFE-HAVENS - TRAINING AND ACCOMMODATING VOLUNTEER REFUGEE FORCES
- f) AT LEAST ONE TRIDENT SUB TO BE IMMEDIATELY REFITTED WITH CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS ONLY
- g) FUTURE OF REMAINING SUBS AND WARHEADS, PLUS ANY OTHER PLANET-ENDANGERING WEAPONS, TO BE DETERMINED BY PARLIAMENTARY FREE-VOTE

**POLICE & JUSTICE : Mission Statement**

- \* To ensure protection and safety of the public and peace officers always take priority and stay the driving force behind all decisions on policy backed up with full necessary resources.
- \* Public confidence in our Justice System and its performance, must be paramount.
- \* Rehabilitation must always be the primary objective, but only where it remains a realistic prospect.
- \* To ensure all punishment/penalties are justified and as constructive as possible.
- \* Ensure our prison and penal system, plus the threat of being brought to justice, serve as an effective deterrent against committing crime.
- \* Ensure Officers of the Law always receive full backing in unison with the system's built-in safeguards against injustice, such as the new Bill of Rights - both 'Human' & 'Civil'.

**The Plan: *POLICING & JUSTICE - WINNING BACK PUBLIC TRUST***

- a) FUNDING RESTORED - ALL ECONOMY MEASURES TO BE REVIEWED incl: RECRUITMENT FREEZE, STATION SELL-OFFS + TWO-TIER POLICY - SET UP ROOT AND BRANCH CONSULTATION MECHANISMS
- b) CREATE NEW CULTURE OF 'ZERO TOLERANCE' FOR ACTS OF SERIOUS MISCONDUCT, incl suppression of related information.
- c) ADDED PROTECTIONS AGAINST ABUSE OF SECURITY POWERS incl: RE-ASSESSING ATTITUDE TOWARD AND TREATMENT OF PROTEST GROUPS

- d) DEEP COVER DISSECTED - the mechanics, its achievements, its repercussions, its feasibility.
- e) INDEPENDENT POLICE COMPLAINTS COMMISSION (IPCC) TO INCORPORATE 'ARMS LENGTH' APPEALS FACILITY
- f) BODY CAMERAS TO HAVE ADDED PROTECTIONS FOR BOTH MEMBERS OF THE FORCE AND PUBLIC
- g) NEW FREEFONE DOWNLOAD LINE TO RECORD USEFUL DATA ON CRIMES IN PROGRESS OR PROSPECT
- h) NEW CRIME REPORT WEBSITE SERVICE with dedicated terminals at all stations, etc.
- i) NEW PRE-CHARGE PRIVACY PROTECTIONS with flexibility for extension in such as, sex cases.
- j) DISCLOSURE OF PRIVILEGED INFORMATION TO BE OUTLAWED - especially for financial gain.
- k) EXTRA TRAINING & FACILITIES FOR INTERROGATION PLUS PERMISSIONS FOR USE OF RECORDINGS IN COURT
- l) EXTRA POWERS TO SEIZE EVIDENCE AND ASSETS also to INTERVENE IN SPECIAL CIVIL CASES eg: involving serious Fraud, Fly-tipping etc.
- m) GREATER POWERS OF DISCRETION IN CASES OF MINOR ASSAULT/VERBAL ABUSE
- n) AGE OF CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY TO BE LOWERED FOR CERTAIN CRIMES
- o) STRONGER ENFORCEMENT OF 'ASBOS'/ TOUGHER ON 'PETTY CRIME'
- p) NEW 'RECLAIM OUTDOORS FOR KIDS' INITIATIVE working with Local Authorities/ Voluntary Groups.
- q) PRISON SENTENCES AND PROVISION TO BE INCREASED incl pilots/trials for BOOTCAMPS/BORSTALS for juveniles - also COMPULSORY HARD TIME
- r) PAROLE/AFTERCARE SERVICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT TO RECEIVE STRONGER BACKING
- s) EXTEND USE OF 'TRIAGE' TEAMS
- t) INCREASE ACCESS TO AND QUALITY OF MENTAL HEALTH AND TRAUMA TREATMENT FOR OFFICERS
- u) NEW ASSISTANCE/FACILITIES FOR PROTEST RALLIES/ DEMONSTRATIONS to help reduce use of marches - incl:
  - . NEW PROTOCOLS FOR 'STOP & SEARCH'/PLAIN CLOTHED/AERIAL SURVEILLANCE and petty crime, agreed in advance, granting increased responsibility for stewardship throughout event.
  - . RIGHT TO FREE SPEECH TO BE MADE MULTILATERAL - with signed declarations upon request.
- v) MOVES TOWARD ENSURING ALL OFFICERS WORK AT LEAST ONE YEAR IN UNIFORM AND ON NEIGHBOURHOOD PATROLS, so that senior officers work their way through the ranks, also that service length and experience is rewarded with or without promotion - plus, less physically demanding roles to be reserved for less youthfully active officers.

## **HEALTH PROMOTION : Mission Statement**

- \* To constantly seek to improve the Nation's health in both mind and body.
- \* To preserve all the principles of the NHS as cost-efficiently as possible.
- \* To be led by the words of wisdom of our forefathers "Prevention is always better than cure"
- \* Devolve input over local services down as much as possible to patient/ resident/worker level.

\* Ensure all financial management/running costs remain on business-like budget and not reliant on 'windfalls'; extraneous, commercial enterprises; or any form of asset-stripping.

### **GOOD HEALTH !**

#### SABOTAGE SUBTERFUGE AND PLOT

History will reveal that far from trying to save the NHS and make it fit for purpose, the Tory hidden agenda has been to bring it to its knees so it is no longer capable of resisting the privatisation carve-up promised to their backers. Tory moves are already under way, forcing every hospital to tender for each prime service component... causing them to divert more and more of their scant time and resources, so badly needed elsewhere, to line the pockets of expensive lawyers and accountants in a desperate bid to prevent precious elements of our service from falling into the greedy hands of exploitive, fat cats who put profit before patients. Add to that, the Chancellor's arm-twisting to make cuts or lose funding; the impossible targets imposed; the sabotage of the successful NHS Direct by converting it into its under-resourced 111 successor; the fight picked with junior doctors on the pretext of a task - made deliberately unattainable; the A&E crisis; the inaction over obesity and tooth decay; all designed to sap morale and lure more and more abroad and away from their replacement.

*The writing is on the wall - our NHS is at breaking point - we must act now!*

#### **'RBI's REMEDY**

- a) REVERSE FUNDING CUTS - RETURN TO HOLISTIC APPROACH - INTEGRATING CLOSE CO-ORDINATION BETWEEN: HOSPITALS; SURGERIES; SOCIAL SERVICES & VOLUNTARY GROUPS.
- b) LAUNCH ROOT & BRANCH CONSULTATION TO ADDRESS KEY PROBLEMS eg: BED BLOCKING; AGENCY OVER-USE; LAW SUITS; FRAUD; etc.
- c) 'BEST PRACTICE STANDARDS' TO REPLACE FAILED 'PERFORMANCE TARGETS' - PRIORITISING FUNDING GAPS
- d) TRUSTS TO FOLLOW STRICTER BUSINESS DISCIPLINES by, such as:
  - GREATER WORKER REPRESENTATION ON BOARDS AND BODIES;
  - PATIENT POOL TO BE GRANTED SIMILAR STATUS AS SHARE-HOLDERS, WITH AGMS AND ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES;
  - PRIOR CONSULTATION ON PROSPECTIVE DEALS;
  - MORE OPEN, REGULATED BUDGET MANAGEMENT;
  - ADHERENCE TO STATE EMPLOYMENT MODEL RE WORKER & MANAGEMENT PAY, PROMOTION, AND CONDITIONS DIFFERENTIALS;
  - STRATEGIES TO TACKLE WORST PROBLEMS - EMERGING FROM NATIONWIDE CONSULTATION;
- e) ENHANCE A&E + MENTAL HEALTHCARE PROVISION BY AID OF INDUSTRY FUNDING incl: MORE WALK-IN CLINICS, WEEKEND MOBILE FACILITIES, ACCESS TO THERAPY etc.
- f) END PREMATURE DISCHARGE FROM HOSPITAL BEDS, cases where inadequate convalescent home care is detected will be dealt with by resident Local Authority team.

#### **EDUCATION & DEVELOPMENT : Mission Statement**

\* To nurture new generations, ensuring they are healthily equipped in mind and body to play their full part in society and help shape its future

in Britain and beyond.

**TEACH OUR CHILDREN WELL - NEW APPROACH - NEW ATTITUDE - NEW PURPOSE**

- a) ROOT & BRANCH CONSULTATION incl ACADEMIES + FREE SCHOOLS WHO WILL ADOPT STRONGER BUSINESS DISCIPLINES ALONG SAME LINES AS NHS TRUSTS detailed above ( see 'd') also, STAFF RIGHTS + WORKER CO-OPERATIVE OPPORTUNITIES
- b) NEW STUDENT DISCIPLINE/ANTI-BULLYING/STREAMING INITIATIVES
- c) MORE OPPORTUNITY AND FACILITY TO ENHANCE TEACHING SKILLS + METHODS
- d) MAKE TESTING MORE SCHOOL CENTRIC + LESS NATION BASED
- e) TAILOR CURRICULUM MORE TO MEET LIFE NEEDS
- f) NEW 'FREE' SCHOOL MEAL INITIATIVE + TEACHER/STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

**HOMELESSNESS & PLANNING : Mission Statement**

- \* To give as many as practicable the chance of a good quality, affordable roof over their head, without adversely impacting on the environment.
- \* To replenish social housing stock, lost as a result of 'Right to Buy'.
- \* To ensure all new-builds incorporate latest approved energy-saving features.
- \* To stamp out all unjust, exploitive practice, misuse of public funds and mistreatment of the environment.

**OH, GIVE ME A HOME**

- a) FAIR RENTS + LEASHOLD CHARGES - EXTRA PROTECTIONS FOR BOTH TENANTS AND LANDLORDS
- b) LEARN LESSONS FROM BEST PRACTICE ABROAD
- c) ACT AGAINST UNDER UTILISED PROPERTY, LAND + PLANNING PERMISSIONS
- d) LOCAL AUTHORITY AGREED FORMULA TO DETERMINE WHAT CONSTITUTES 'AFFORDABLE'
- e) LOCAL AUTHORITY TO HAVE FINAL SAY ON 'AFFORDABLE' CEILING FOR EACH NEW DWELLING
- f) STRONGER PRESUMPTION AGAINST NEW-BUILDS FAILING TO MEET 'AFFORDABLE' CRITERIA +/-OR ARE SITED ON PROTECTED LAND/FLOOD PLAIN
- g) IMPACT STUDY SYSTEM TO BE RENDERED MORE ROBUST AND OBJECTIVE - END UTILISATION OF 'PLANNING GAIN' DEALS TO GAIN PERMISSION
- h) SUSPENSION OF 'RIGHT TO BUY' ('R2B') EXPERIMENT, PENDING FULL AUDIT FREE ALL 'R2B' INCOME TO KICK START NEW SOCIAL HOUSING DRIVE
- i) PROMOTE FORMATION OF INTER-CONNECTIVE BUILDER CO-OPERATIVES
- j) FACILITY FOR HIGHLY CONTENTIOUS LOCAL AUTHORITY BACKED DEVELOPMENT PLANS/SCHEMES TO BE 'CALLED IN' FOR SCRUTINY.

In the interests of making more speedy progress, other subject matter has been covered under generic headings. Apologies for anything unspecified. No important area of policy has been overlooked, so please feel free to target relevant queries, however priority will naturally be given according to level of demand and support generated and, as ever, time is of the essence.

**OTHER SUBJECTS INCLUDE...**

Environment - Welfare - Employment - .... - you name it - it's covered!

## **THE PETITION / REFERENDUM**

I hereby register my democratic vote for 'Renaissance Britain!', as per its published 'Program for Government'. Accordingly, we, the undersigned, call upon Parliament and Her Majesty's Government to put the choice before the British People as a matter of urgency, in the form of a simple 'Yes/No' referendum.

Therefore, we seek Parliament's 'Free Vote' undertaking to abide by any clear, democratic, 'RB!' mandate delivered and to make every effort to smooth its transition to power and functionality as much as possible.

Please be advised that, in the absence of said formal referendum, this position is designed to serve as a substitute, to achieve the same end.

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### ***What difference will my signature make?***

Many think their signature - their vote - counts as just one and so doesn't really matter. They couldn't be more wrong. Your vote is indicative of everyone else who thinks and feels the same way you do. Therefore, what you do with your vote is automatically replicated throughout the land by all those like-minded and, in a referendum especially, could not matter more.

As for those doubtful of the legal weight their vote will carry, the answer is simple. It will carry as much weight as its support warrants. One thing is for sure, adding your endorsement can do nothing but good for its chances and speed of success.

For those more concerned of the validity of the actual process, they need look no further than the international precedent set by the EU's Maastricht Treaty. Signed up to by all its members, most on the mandate of referenda - except in the UK, where, for the second time, our Parliament patronisingly presumed the assent of its people - the treaty effectively served as a blank cheque, with lots of detail yet to be added.

With 'RB!', not only are you left in no doubt as to what your signing up to, but it incorporates guarantees, both of delivery, plus the chance to pass judgement on key reforms - RIGHTS NEVER BEFORE OFFERED TO ANY ELECTORATE IN THE ENTIRE HISTORY OF DEMOCRACY!

Best wishes, Trevor.