

Tuesday May 3rd 2016

**Dear Friends in the UK,**

Greetings from Toronto. How I wish that Canada's largest city was much closer to London, so that I could easily join you tomorrow as well as on 14 May (and on many other occasions past and future). I have followed your correspondence with interest. A few quick thoughts:

(1) Progress towards monetary justice is I think substantial in the U.K., compared to elsewhere, and CCMJ's efforts over the years have contributed a lot. Your successes should be documented for posterity, including in influencing and "nudging" others; and the "lessons learned". And how can they be adapted to remaining and ongoing work? (Perhaps a graduate student could be encouraged to do thesis-related research on this?)

(2) More specifically, two fairly recent monetary reform organisations in Britain - Positive Money, and The Finance Innovation Lab - have had notable success. And the New Economics Foundation (NEF) continues to do excellent work. What has been CCMJ's contribution to same?

(3) The wealth of material in the weekly "Matters in the Air" emails -- on which Peter has toiled mightily -- should be preserved.

(4) You might consider reflecting on the U.N. Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/?menu=1300>, as inspiration for future CCMJ activities, and their relationship to monetary justice - including perhaps what is lacking in the SDGs. (Just a thought.)

I hope the above might be helpful, though scarcely address your pressing organizational concerns as reflected in your draft agenda for the meeting tomorrow. Keep up the good work. There is no "equivalent to the CCMJ in Canada.

Very best wishes.

**Michael (Michael Sinclair, Ph.D)**

P.S. FYI

(a) Ongoing info on the COMER (Committee on Monetary and Economic Reform) lawsuit against the Bank of Canada can be found in the links here: <http://comer.org/>.

(b) New monetary reform website by The Hon. Paul Hellyer (Peter met him in London a few years ago) - <http://www.canadianbankreformers.ca/> - Also [https://www.facebook.com/CanadianBankReformers/?notif\\_t=page\\_invite](https://www.facebook.com/CanadianBankReformers/?notif_t=page_invite)