

# Common Good

## Vote Dick Rodgers

of the Common Good party

**Please vote  
for me in the  
General  
Election in  
Northfield  
because ...**

My remedy for our national plight gets nearer the heart of our problems than anything the other parties are saying.

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**What people  
say today is:**

*The UK's broke.*

*We're in debt up  
to our eyeballs.*

*The country's in  
a mess.*

*I don't trust  
politicians.*

*Why can't they  
treat us like  
grown ups and  
talk frankly  
about UK debt?*

*There are too  
many spongers.*

*My job's under  
threat.*

**Answer:**

There's loads to do in the world and here we are sitting on our hands, moping! If we got cracking, trying to make the world a better place, we'd inspire our kids, they'd be keen to join in and soon we'd have lively workers and bright scientists inventing things that the world really needs. Then we can make and sell this stuff, earn our way out of debt and have money in the kitty to do the things we want to do.

# What I'll try to do if elected.

- ◆ **Work hard for just £25,400/pa** ie the average UK wage not an MP's usual wage of £64,000.
- ◆ **Promote this vision.**
- ◆ **Stop bankers creating money out of nothing which is then their property.** They do this when they lend; it's why we are in such a mess.
- ◆ **Save the NHS** from being commercial.
- ◆ **Nationalise the railway.** Get more lines in and out of New Street not just a fancy £600m roof.
- ◆ **Nationalise the buses** and make city buses **50p max fare** to fill them up and get the traffic moving.
- ◆ **Hang onto our ports** and not sell Dover, Milford Haven, Tyne Harwich, and Poole.
- ◆ **Selly Oak Hospital** site used for the prompt life-saving care of stroke victims and free long term care of the elderly paid for entirely out of tax as a pilot scheme for the whole country.
- ◆ **Selly Oak New Road** Go on urging 2 lanes each way, not the current inadequate single lane road.
- ◆ **No more PFI deals** like the QE Hospital due to **cost £0.93m per week** for 36 yrs. It cost the consortium a mere £545m to build so it's a nice earner, as is the new City Council pothole PFI.
- ◆ **Honour HM Forces** for protecting us so selflessly; fund and equip them properly and **use the freedom** they secure for us to make a good society here and everywhere, doing our bit in the same spirit of service.
- ◆ **Cut salaries of top public servants.**
- ◆ **Recruit keen people who'll serve** with their hearts in the job not just in the pay.
- ◆ **Defend English Common Law** within the EU legal system.
- ◆ **Get inside Europe, shake it up** and make it work or, if it still doesn't, get out.
- ◆ **Promote a Christian sense of what is right** in all fields but specially abortion, marriage, dying and sexual orientation.
- ◆ **Abolish cabinet-style local government** (have you tried to meet these guys?) and replace it with decision-making in committee which favours open debate.
- ◆ **Change from the present confusing multiple councillors per ward** to having more wards but a single councillor per ward who lives there and strengthens the vital bond between elector and elected.
- ◆ **Elected Regional Government for WM** so **we** can develop our region, not have it done in obscurity.
- ◆ **UN Poverty Goals:** halve the number living on < \$1 a day, reduce by two thirds child deaths under 5 yrs, reduce by ¾ mothers dying in childbirth. A huge job involving politics, commerce, policing and the military.
- ◆ **Stop Iran** wiping Israel off the map.
- ◆ **Confront tyrants.**
- ◆ **Trade honourably.**
- ◆ **Free Mr Liu Xiaobo** a **Chinese poet** doing **11yrs prison** for asking for multi-party democracy.
- ◆ **Be available a lot.** Please see the website. Display a window poster. Rev Dr Dick Rodgers FRCS  
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