

DEMOCRACY WITHOUT POLITICIANS.

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In the explosive novel '**It Could Just Happen**' a terrorist plot destroys not only a government but causes a reset of how citizens must learn how to govern themselves.

There are no political parties and no professional politicians.

County Councils and Parish Councils combine to produce communities.

Each community have a randomly selected governing group who use the Edward de Bono Six Hat procedure to find the answer to complex problems.

The Chairman, assisted by a diverse group of advisors, provide questions for each community to debate and find answers for.

As the author of that book, I have been asked to provide further details (by way of a podcast) on each of the seven pillars of governance.

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I have always been fascinated, and more than a little proud, by what these small islands, known as Great Britain, have produced and which enriched the world to such an extent. From medical and scientific discoveries to literary masterpieces, from international sport to global geographic discoveries, from finance and insurance to producing the first national television service to the invention of (how did we exist without it?) the computer.

I long ago decided that the only answer that made any sense to me was the diversity of our island race. Our native Celtic people were pushed to the fringes by the German Anglo Saxons and the Nordic Vikings. Whilst the Norman King William was the last actual invader, creating a feudal land to benefit the trusty knights that supported his military ambition. After the Reformation, French Huguenots escaped religious persecution as

later still, Russian Jews, and then as the British Empire expanded to a geographical area on which the sun never set, Indians, Africans, Irish, found a secure life within the United Kingdom. It was, I argued, that the very diversity helped to produce a cross pollination of ideas and cultures that produced that fecundity of creative endeavour.

Genuine refugees have continued to arrive daily and who, after necessary investigations, are allowed to stay in safety and with help and assistance to make a life in the UK. However, there are also many millions of would-be economic migrants who would give anything to leave their country of birth, that offers them little or no hope of improving their impoverished existence to come and settle in the United Kingdom. The problem is that these small islands are simply not big enough to accommodate these vast numbers.

As the numbers of immigrants grew exponentially the new term to embrace the increasing population was multiculturalism. Another abstract noun to describe a whole host of cultures living harmoniously together.

The Windrush people from the Caribbean who empowered our transport systems and who often nursed us back to health in our hospitals were rewarded by being wrongly detained, denied legal aid, and threatened with deportation! These were the very people who loved Great Britain and who integrated into the local community, only too pleased to become part of our heritage. The Asian communities from Uganda and Kenya also merged seamlessly into both our cities and rural areas. These hard-working people who encouraged their children to make the most of the educational opportunities have become an important part of our society.

However, multiculturalism breaks down when other ethnic groupings wish to settle in the United Kingdom with the intention of breaking down our democratic freedoms and the rule of law based on almost forgotten Christian principals and ethics. There should be no place in British society for Sharia Law, lack of equality for women, arranged marriages, honour killings, and FGM. Anything that prevents a full amalgamation of all people regardless of ethnicity cannot be allowed to flourish if multiculturalism is ever to succeed. In my recent novel 'It Could Just Happen' the hero (David) suggests an end to all faith schools.

As a country of animal lovers, the killing of animals without stunning them should be abhorrent thus, Kosher and Halal needs to be abolished. The introduction of a civil National Service (see previous podcast) all youngster of eighteen years of age, regardless of gender and culture, are brought together to work as teams both at home and abroad. David went even further when he advised all the Islamic nations that he would close all mosques in the UK until all Christian churches throughout the Islamic territories were able to function without fear of attack. He was not anti-Islam, on the contrary, he wanted to show by example to Europe that Britain would be in the vanguard to assist any country that needed to

rebuild their shattered countries, to empower and increase their economies so that it's people did not need to emigrate. This is what real international aid should be about.

Less and less has been heard about multiculturalism as it has been replaced by the word diversity.

Diversity has come to mean equality of all people regardless of their social background, cultural, ethnicity, or people of different sexual orientations. Most intelligent people would applaud this obvious truism – that all men and women (and even those that are not quite sure) should be treated equally.

When a black, ex-convict was shot by police in America it predicated massive violence and looting not only in the United States but in many countries throughout the world and spawned the Black Lives Matter movement. Notwithstanding that ALL LIVES MATTER it was taken up as a clarion call of the Woke community.

Woke claims to be actively awake to all matters of social issues, particularly racism.

It has infiltrated our education system including our thinking elite who will not now debate free speech preferring to cancel a visiting speaker. The police, spend more time scrolling through Twitter to see, who is offending who, instead of catching thieves and burglars. Our workplaces are awash with courses on Diversity (read Woke issues) whilst our productivity stagnates.

The popular movement to destroy the historical heritage of anyone who had been tainted by the slave trade is a complete nonsense. Anyone with any humanity must hate the concept of slavery but it predates biblical times and in many places in the world it was a normal part of life. In the slave market in ancient Rome, young boys with fair hair from Britannia, were much valued. The Ashanti from present day Ghana and the Yoruba from Nigeria had a history of raiding other tribes to take slaves. As the Arab explorers made landings on the west coast of Africa, it didn't take them long to trade with these African tribes for slaves to take back to Arabia. With the sugar and cotton trades booming in the Southern States of America and the islands of the Caribbean a labour market for people who could work in the heat of summer was vital to the landowners wishing to maximise their profits. The slave market soon moved from the Arab slavers to European sea captains and entrepreneurs that could make their fortunes by subscribing to this obscene trade.

I am immensely proud that it was the British Government who abolished the slave trade in 1807 and used the British navy to stamp it out.

However, in 2024 the slave trade continues.

In sweat shops in India, China, Indonesia, children as young as seven or eight work long hours for barely enough to feed them. People smugglers move young women around the globe to supply the sex trade.

In the United Kingdom, it is regularly reported that vulnerable people are enslaved under appalling conditions.

It would be good if our Woke activists (who might well be wearing clothing from the aforesaid sweat shops) could activate some sort of meaningful action against present day slavery instead of wasting their energy by tipping statues into the harbour.

The same fair headed boys in the slave market would have been sold off as sex toys. There is nothing new about, homosexual, lesbian, bisexual, trans-sexual, bestiality, necrophilia, that the world hasn't seen before. Go to any Indian or South American temple, but you don't need to ram it down our throat (excuse the pun).

At least we have stopped castrating young men to stop their voice from breaking and providing a vocal castrato and eastern potentates stopped castrating the guardians of harems to prevent them from having the best job on the planet.

The Woke need a pronunciation lesson: the word is wake, as in "Wake up and smell the coffee".

Diversity – the street dance group – were well named, they summed up the true meaning of the word. They worked together in a complex set of movements each individual complimenting the next. They were exciting to watch with an exuberance for life that moved them to new, international horizons.

Cancel my lectures, burn my books, but do not expect me to apologise for telling the truth or for encouraging a new generation to be kind to one another.

Diversity is putting your arm around a shoulder not supergluing your hand to a doornob (or even a dorknob).

I don't expect everyone to agree with all of these ideas but I do hope that you will discuss with friends and family because we all need to have an opinion on these matters if we are not to be bounced into an Orwellian miasma of fear of speaking out.

Thank you for watching and listening.

The written script for this podcast has been published on www.phoenixfilmandpublishing.co. discuss it with friends and family and

let's hope that one day we might see some of the required changes take place.

My next blog will deal with '**Climate Change Reviewed**', some radical answers to some very pressing questions.