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Why Stamp Duty on primary homes should be scrapped

This article provides an opinion on how Britain's housing mobility problem could be solved by scrapping stamp duty. The article explains the reasons for this.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

<https://fairershare.org.uk/why-stamp-duty-on-primary-homes-should-be-scrapped/>

Axe stamp duty? How Andy Burnham could change property tax

This article looks at the current debate regarding reform of stamp duty and council tax and looks at how property is taxed now, why there are calls for reform, what the options are and what the objections are, a comparison with the systems adopted by other countries and whether the prime minister is likely to go ahead with reform.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

<https://www.theguardian.com/money/2026/aug/11/stamp-duty-andy-burnham-uk-property-council-tax-house-prices>

Britain's property taxes send all the wrong signals - The Proportional Property Tax can fix that

This article looks at the current property tax system for homeowners and finds that it actively discourages people from moving. The article reinforces opinion that the answer to this is a proportional property tax and looks at how it would reform the housing market.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

<https://fairershare.org.uk/britains-property-taxes-send-all-the-wrong-signals-the-proportional-property-tax-can-fix-that/>

Burnham vows to reform business rates to halt high street decline

This article reports that one of the PM's earliest priorities is to breathe life back into Britain's High Streets by reforming business rates. The article discusses how online shopping has changed the face of the High Street and whether business rates reform is the answer.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

<https://londonlovesbusiness.com/burnham-vows-to-reform-business-rates-to-halt-high-street-decline/>

Council Tax reform: why we should go further than Centre for Cities

This article provides the opinion of the chairman of Fairer Share, a lobbying group for council tax reform, who discusses the contribution to the argument of Centre for Cities, who believe that that Council Tax should become much more proportional while remaining locally controlled. Both groups share the opinion that banding should be abandoned, whereas unlike Fairer Share, Centre for Cities does not comment on Stamp Duty abolition.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

<https://fairershare.org.uk/council-tax-reform-why-we-should-go-further-than-centre-for-cities/>

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