

PositiveMoneyNZ



Newsletter #14

Welcome to our 14th newsletter. Here is [a link to previous newsletters](#)

Positive Money New Zealand celebrated its first birthday on the 17th of this month and a lot has been achieved in a year. We provided [an article](#) to [Economic Reform Australia](#) – an organisation with a similar commitment to reforming their banking system – that summed up our first 365 days. With such an eventful year, who knows what the second one has in store for us.

We have also confirmed two further spokespeople for Positive Money NZ - in Christchurch, John Kelly and in New Plymouth, Steve Laurence. Thanks to John and Steve for putting their hands up and their details are on our [Contact Us](#) page on the website.

Let us know on info@positivemoney.org.nz if you are keen to take on such a role in your centre. Note that you do not need to know much about economics to be our contact – you just need to be prepared to be our contact person for fliers and supporting material.

Finally Don had a great meeting with Hone Harawira. Once Hone got his head around the issue he was very keen to take the Positive Money New Zealand message to his caucus for them to consider. Hone asked Don to provide him with [a simple bullet point list](#) that captured the issue.

During October we also:

- [acknowledged Russel Norman](#) for the Greens position on their idea of the [government creating money](#) to pay for the rebuild of Christchurch. While it was ridiculed by the government, the Greens are the first major party within parliament to take up the issue of the government creating money.
- had [our letter to the editor](#) printed in the Dominion Post. We wrote in support of the idea of the government printing money, saying that there was nothing new in the idea.
- wrote to [the Mayor and Councillors of the Auckland City Council](#). If you are in Auckland, please follow our letter up with your councillor, the Mayor or both.
- posted a [13 minute interview on BBC radio four](#) with Ben Dyson, the founder of Positive Money UK
- [emailed "Campbell Live"](#) with a request that they cover how the banks can make so much profit in a recession.
- are still waiting for a response from Bill English to [our letter](#) sent on the 24th September.

Regards

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