

# PositiveMoneyNZ



## Newsletter #39 – time to plan ahead

Welcome to our 39<sup>th</sup> newsletter. Here is a link to [previous newsletters](#).

Positive Money New Zealand was launched on the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2011 – three years ago and we are now looking at our three year plan from here. We are committed to reforming our banking system and we need your input and your ideas on how we can achieve it. We will be hosting a skype (or google groups) call on the 14<sup>th</sup> October and if you wish to participate, then [let us know](#). If you can't be on the call, then [send us your ideas](#).

The Election is over and the three independent candidates standing in the Wellington region put up a good show. Any independent that gets over 100 votes does well and Sue got 182 votes in Ohariu, Amanda Vickers got 179 in Otaki and Don got 74. Sue got more votes than the Act candidate.

Thanks to Peter Young and David Edney for their support.

During September:

- Don was interviewed by a documentary maker [Christianne van Wijk](#) on the 30<sup>th</sup> September about Positive Money. She is making a documentary about alternative options for New Zealand.
- Posted [Don](#) and [Sue's](#) election speeches. Sue mentioned 3 years of neo liberal policies - where it should have been three decades. Sue had a Social Credit person standing as well and it was great to have two candidates reinforcing the message of government creation of money.
- Posted a four minute clip on [National's response and Peter Dunne's non response](#) to a question on support for the state creating our money supply. The meeting was on the 2nd of September. Don provided the heated reaction to the National Party candidate's response.
- Put up [four billboards](#) in Ohariu and delivered thousands of flyers – [in Ohariu](#) and [Rongotai](#).
- Our spokesperson in Auckland Michael Blakely attend electorate meetings in Ponsonby and Kelson as well as the Child Poverty Action hikoi. He asked questions of the candidates and handed out many flyers.
- Michael also spoke to a member of the Samoan Central Bank, while on holiday in Samoa, and gave him a Positive Money New Zealand flyer.
- Posted an item on how [our low wage economy creates paupers out of hard working citizens](#). Father of two 'Ofa Ta'ufo'ou can't spend more than \$100 a week to feed his family.
- Posted a good comment from [Russel Norman on money creation by private banks](#).
- Posted Bill English's comment that [high house prices are a choice](#). There is no mention of overseas banks pumping billions into the housing market or land banking by developers that push up the cost of land.

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- Posted a very, very good item from Bruce Bisset of Hawkes Bay today. It reveals the [true story behind our so called Rock Star economy](#)
- The Bank of International Settlements (BIS), the bank used by central banks, [confirmed New Zealand houses are among the most "unaffordable" in the world](#) compared to people's incomes.
- Posted an item on a new generation of young people, dubbed "[property orphans](#)". They may be destined to be renters for life.

Cheers and remember to provide [your ideas](#) to our three year plan and to [join up](#).

Don Richards and Sue Hamill