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"We need a new Magna Carta, so I've written one" says founder of The Free World Charter

February 21, 2018 – In a recent [article](#), Irish author and activist Colin Turner claims he's brought the Magna Carta into the 21st century in the writing of [The Free World Charter](#), a set of 10 guiding principles describing a better world.

The Magna Carta, written over 800 years ago by the then Archbishop of Canterbury, was originally created to ensure such human rights as basic civil liberties, fairer taxation and that no man, including the King, was above the law.

But Colin claims the oft referred to document is sorely in need of updating in light of the many shortcomings and failings of 21st century society. From his recent article:

"Even though much has changed in the world since medieval times, it's quite surprising also how little has changed. We still have a virtually untouchable ruling elite, who can buy influence or legal defence to avoid being accountable to the law. We still have unfair 'taxation' in the form of high costs of basic food and shelter. We still have poor human rights – not just in tyrannical regimes – but in all so-called 'free market' countries where the labour system begets poverty and the coercion of people into lives they would not otherwise choose just to afford a modest level of survival."

Colin's alternative, The Free World Charter, has accrued almost 60,000 signatures from 214 countries worldwide, indicating he's clearly not alone in his sentiments. He says:

"I refuse to accept that the society in which we operate is the best that we can do. Why do we have to accept hunger and poverty as a normal state of affairs when there is ample food and shelter physically available on our planet? Why do we continue to ransack our planet's resources making cheap, disposable products just to be profitable? Why do we continue to inflict financial stress on people when, technologically, our battle for survival was won long ago?"

"The only thing standing in the way of our solving all these problems is ourselves. How we perceive our priorities and our beliefs about how resources are distributed are plain wrong – and the results of that thinking error are all around us in climate change, violence, waste, sickness and death."

"Throughout history, new ways of thinking have come along that change radically the way we operate. The Magna Carta heralded the first tentative steps to democracy. The U.S. Emancipation Act ended slavery. Environmental data ushered in an age of recycling. I hope in some way The Free World Charter can help restore some common sense about how we operate our society and how amazing and happier we can be by re-examining our priorities and what it means to be human."

But Colin hasn't stopped at just an alternative to the Magna Carta: he's also spearheading the development of an entirely new socio-economic system based on The Free World Charter in a prototype global community...

[Freeworlder.com](http://freeworlder.com) facilitates the free-sharing of goods and services among its members to create the foundations for an entirely open economy, where 'free' is the rule and not the exception. Colin describes:

"We are building this prototype free society already on Freeworlder with thousands of our Charter members. Our motto is, 'start small and grow big!' So far it's working!"

Further exploring possibilities is Colin's non-fiction book '[Into The Open Economy](#)' (free for Free World Charter signatories), which discusses the flaws of the current monetary system and proposes logical working alternatives that are aligned with the principles of the Free World Charter.

And his fictional ebook and audiobook '[F-Day: The Second Dawn of Man](#)' provides a thrilling glimpse of what the transition to such an economy would look like.

About Colin R. Turner



Colin R. Turner is an Irish activist, musician, author and founder of the Free World Charter. He's been featured on the BBC as the 'Moneyless Man', has appeared on RTV's Marbella Now numerous times discussing the Free World movement, and has also been on a variety of radio and online programs. Colin's books, 'F-Day: The Second Dawn of Man' and 'Into The Open Economy', both entered the Kindle Top 100 Charts, with the latter occupying the #1 spot for several weeks. Freeworlder.com is a free to join goods and services swapping site that serves as a prototype for a free world community.

For more information about Colin R. Turner, his books and the Free World movement, please visit:

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