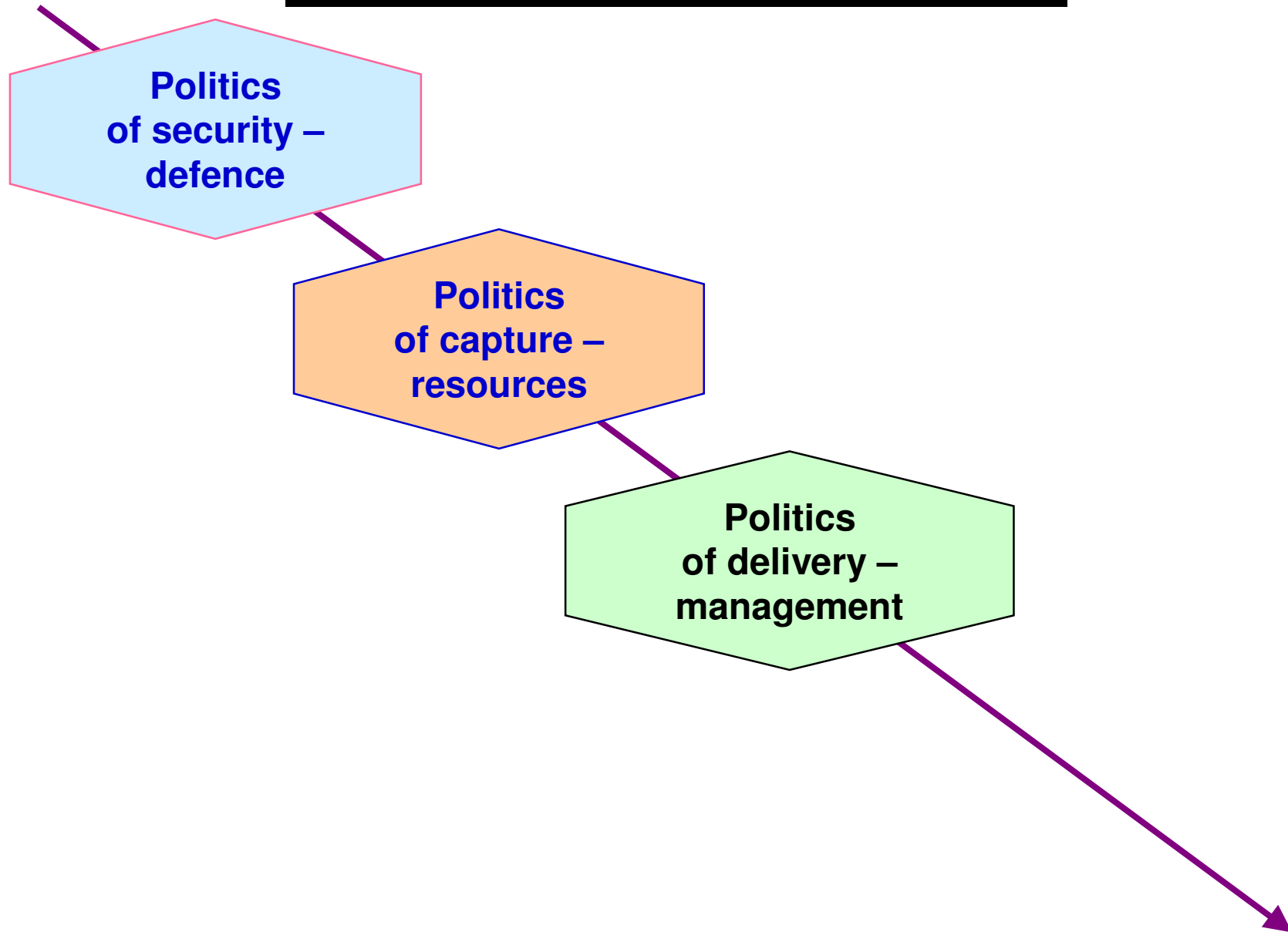


LOOKING FORWARD TO THE FUTURE

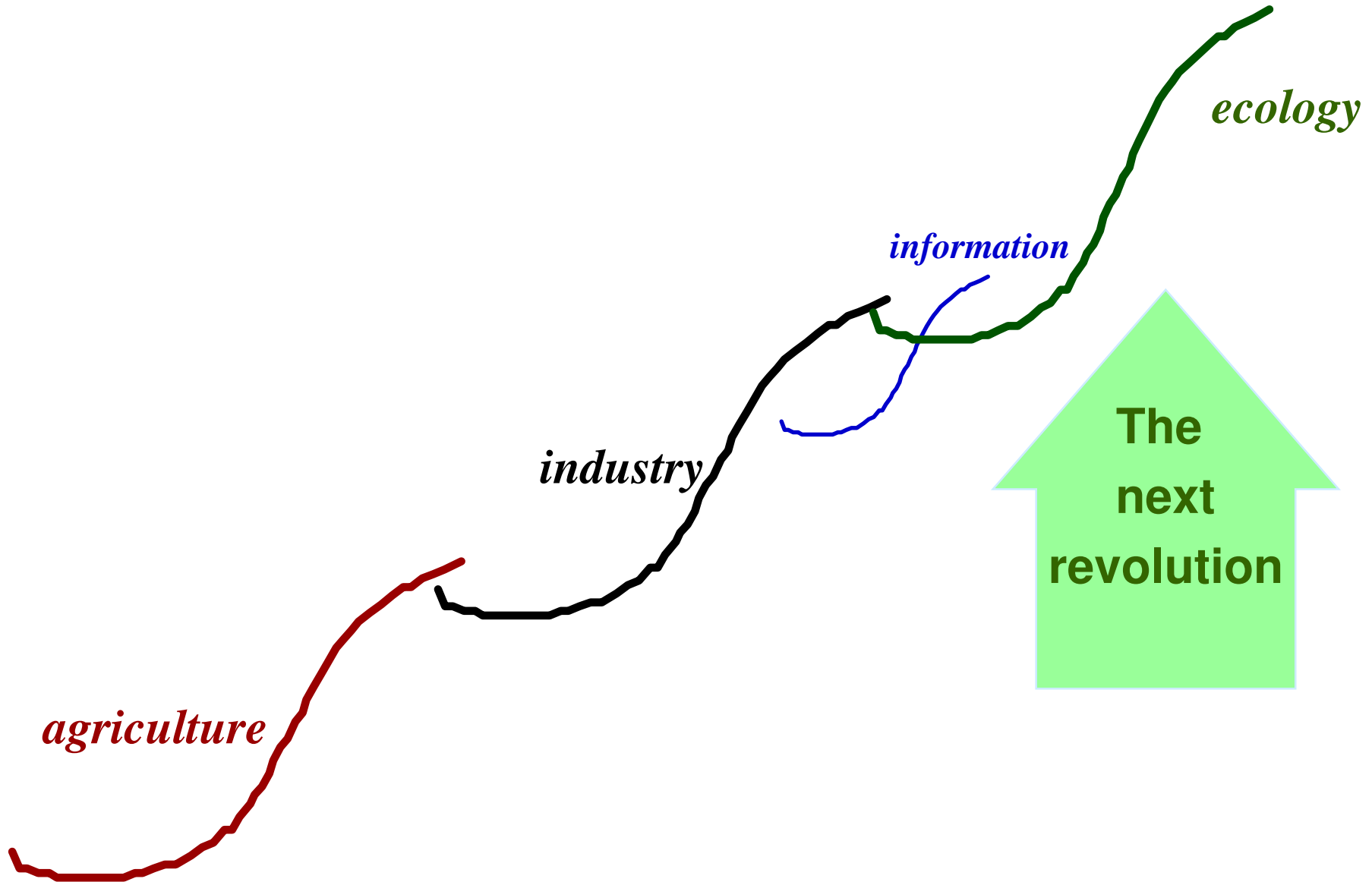
Roots & branches
governance & civil society in England
- a very long view -

Barbara Heinzen

Governance for what?



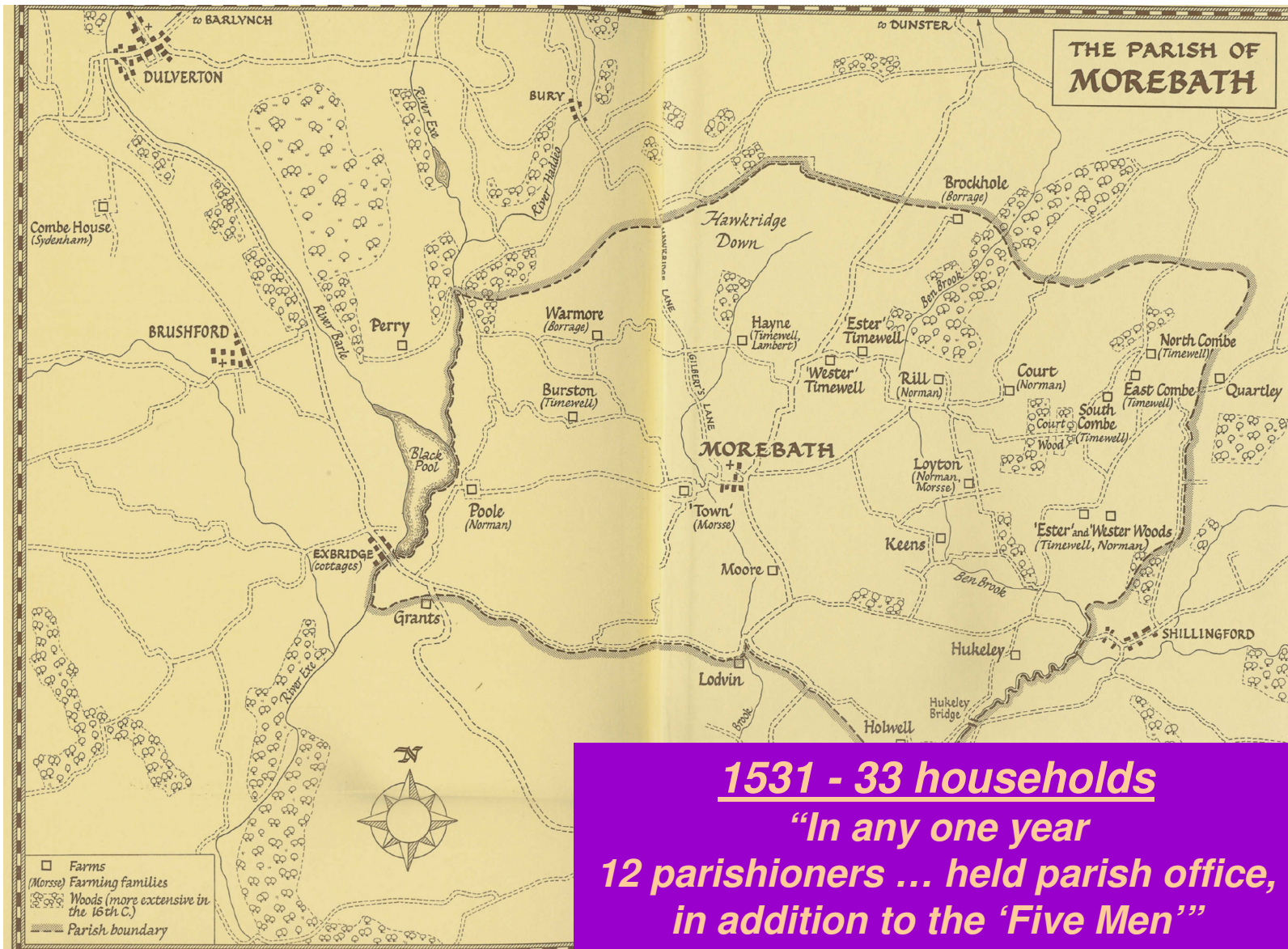
To govern what?



Roots

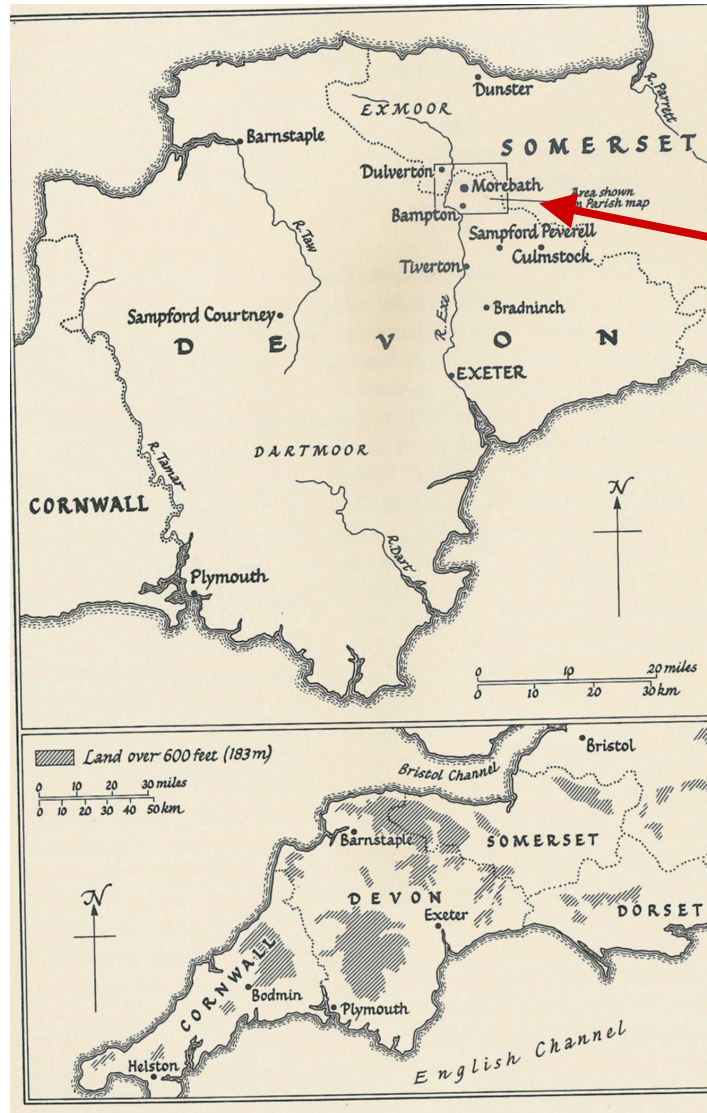
South West
England

Self-government at the king's command

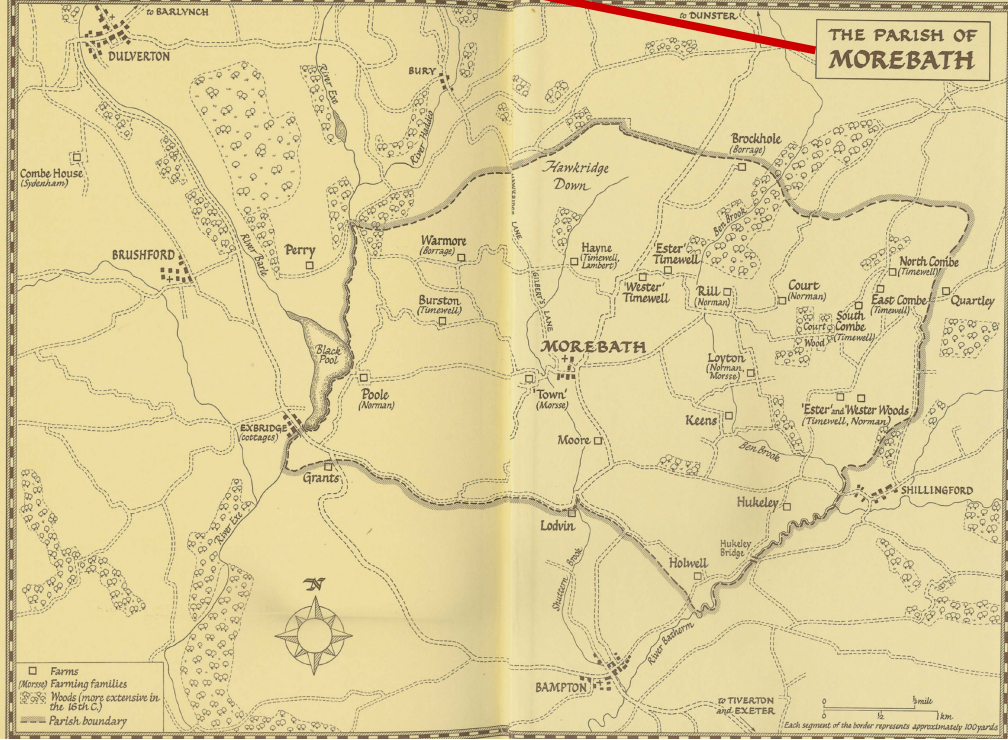


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Morebath in SW England



1530-1580
Sir Christopher Trychay's
parish accounts



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Inns of Court & customary law

*“What usage has approved becomes law without writing.”**

*Henry de Bracton
13th C. judge, SW England*

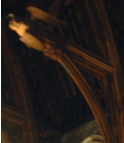


*Helen Cam, *Law-finders and Law-makers in Medieval England*, 1962, p. 14

Localities connected to power



*in Parliament - opened
in Westminster Hall*



*integrating forum of interests,
knowledge & power*

**“Local
communities
with their
customs,**

**the kings with
their decrees,**

**the barons
with the
counsels**

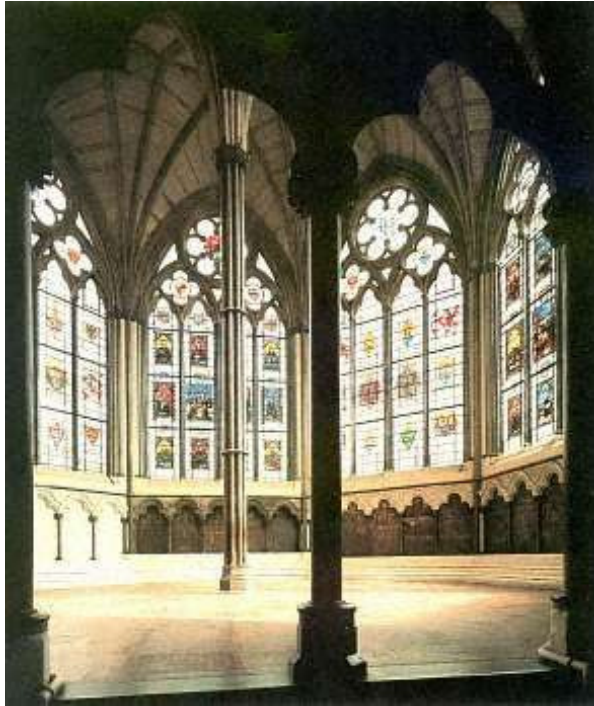
**& the judges
with their
expertise”***

**plus abbots &
bishops**

**all attended
parliament
by 1275**

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1375-'81: Willing to rebel



1375: The Chapter House

*First impeachment
of the king's ministers
after Commons rejected
request for war money*

1381: St John's Gate

*Previous gate destroyed
in peasants' rebellion v.
poll tax & status of freemen*



Rebellion → equalities of respect

Something at stake ← → something to trade



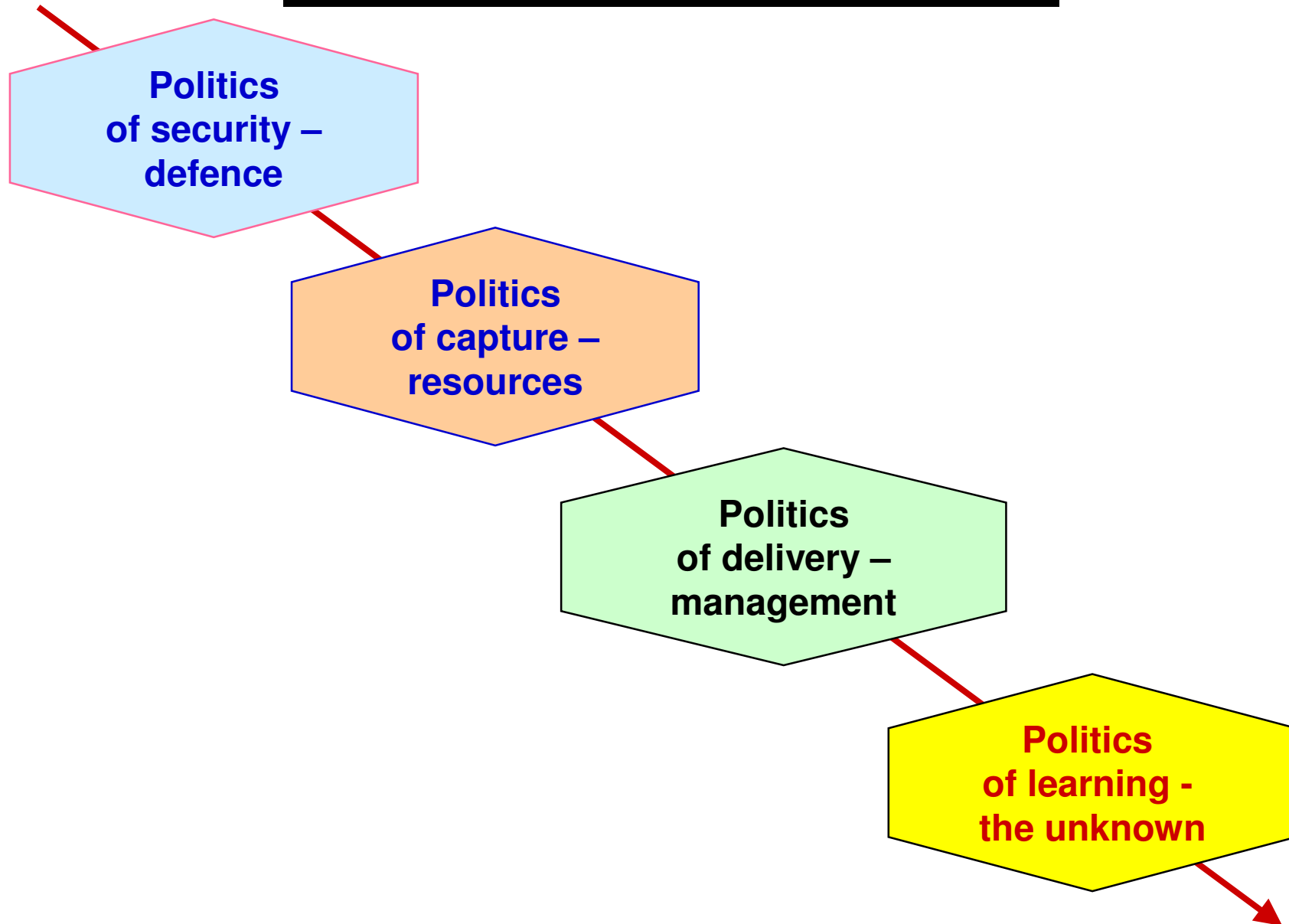
Duke of Lancaster re: Commons in Chapter House

Who are these “degenerate knights?”

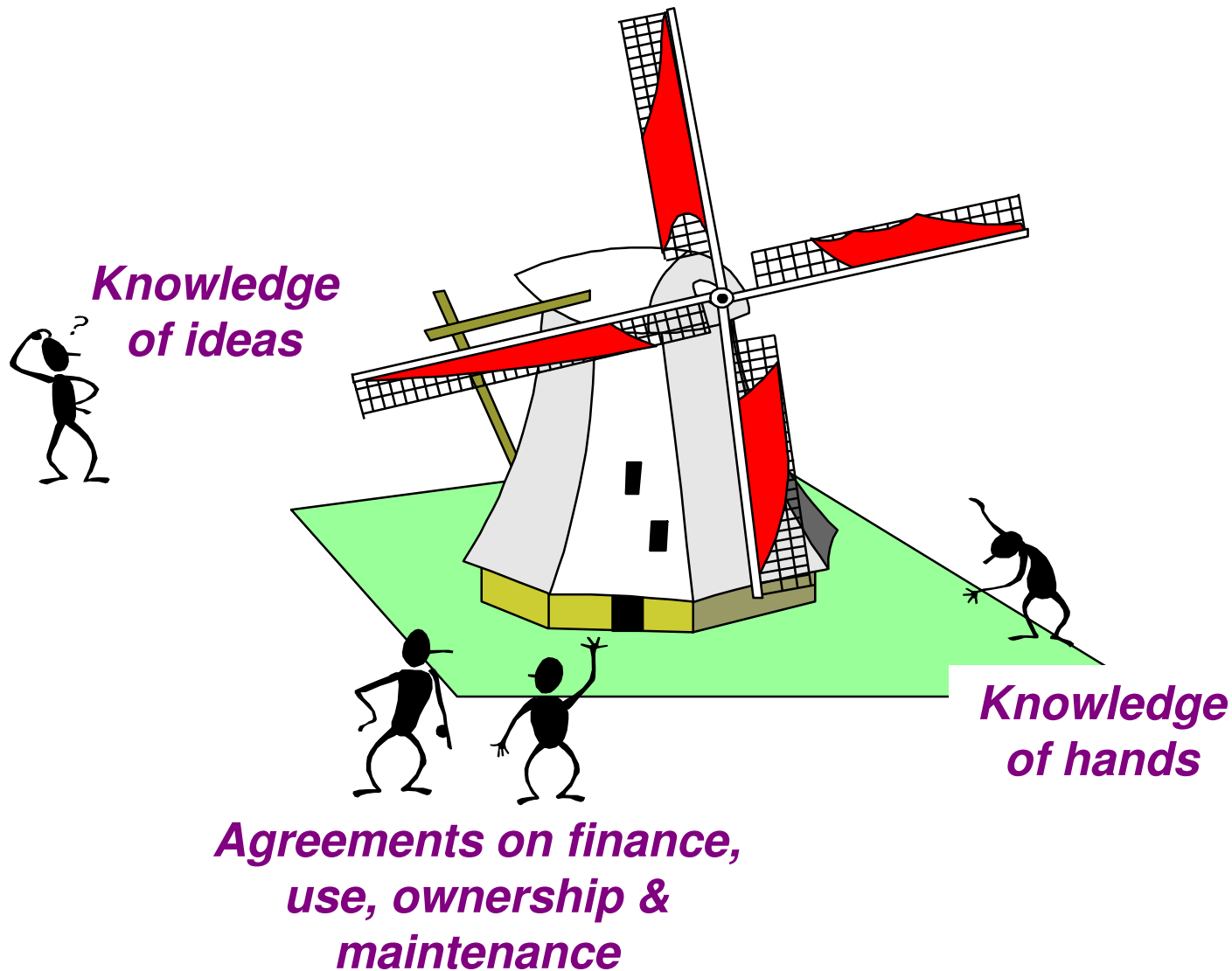
“they are not common people, but ... men powerful & strenuous in arms...”

*image of John Ball scanned from Simon Schama, *A History of Britain*, 2000 p. 251; quotation from Ronald Butt, *A History of Parliament, the Middle Ages*. Constable, London, 1989, p. 349

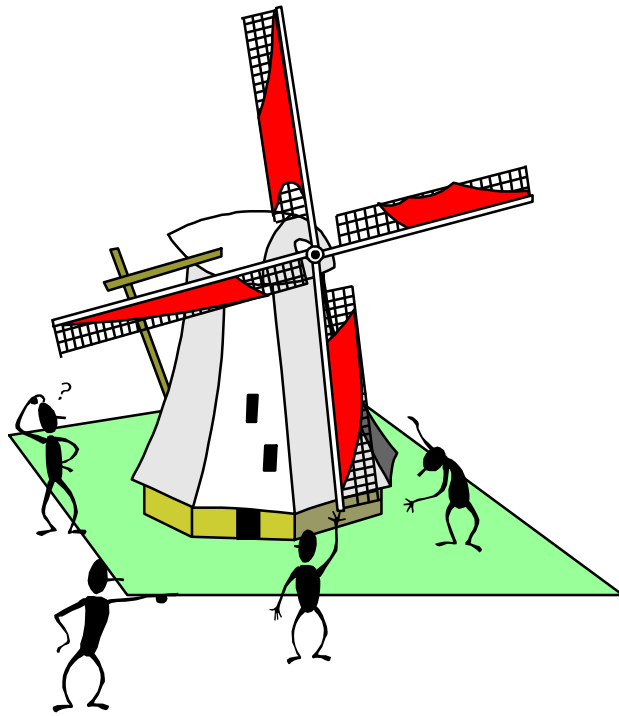
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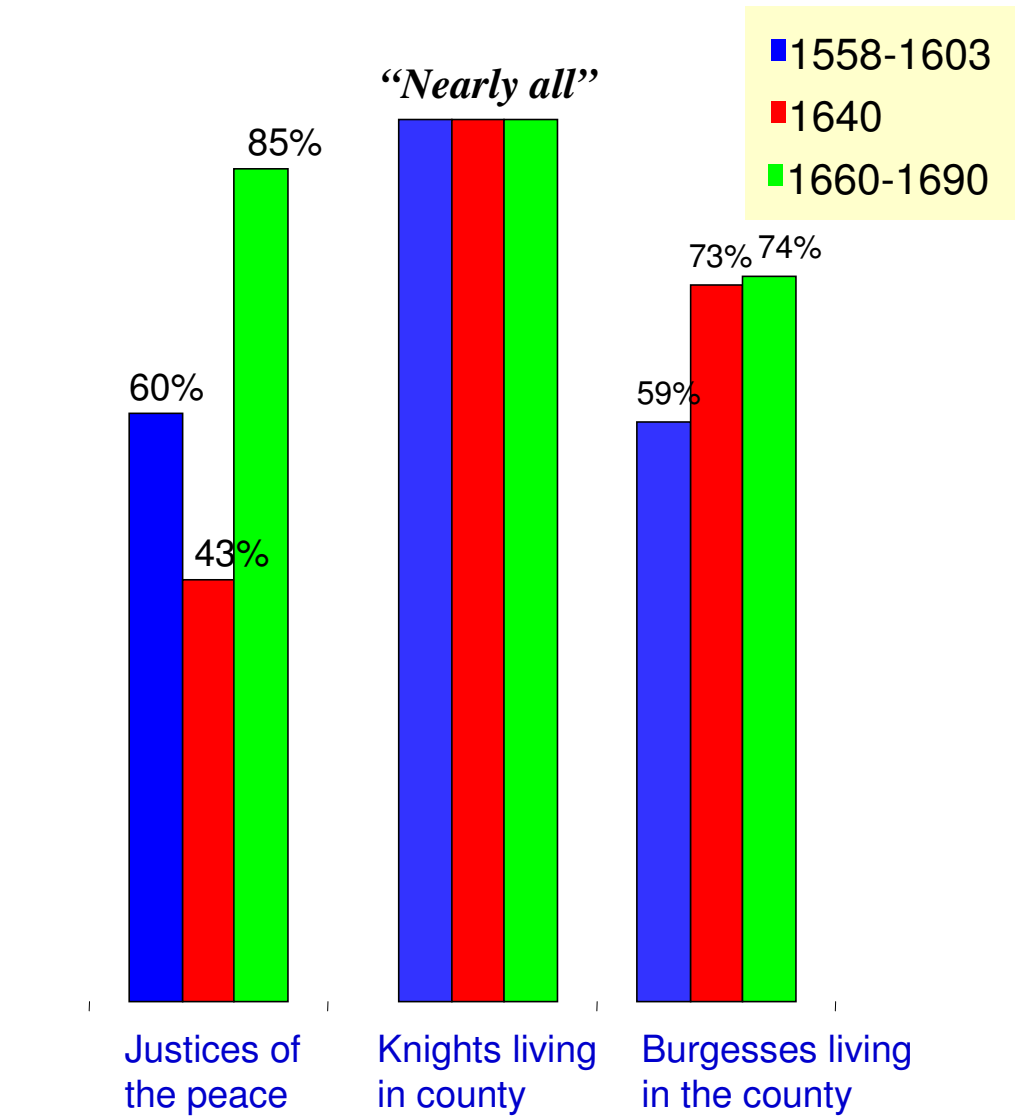
Late 17thC: Neighbourliness as invention



Powerful men as neighbours



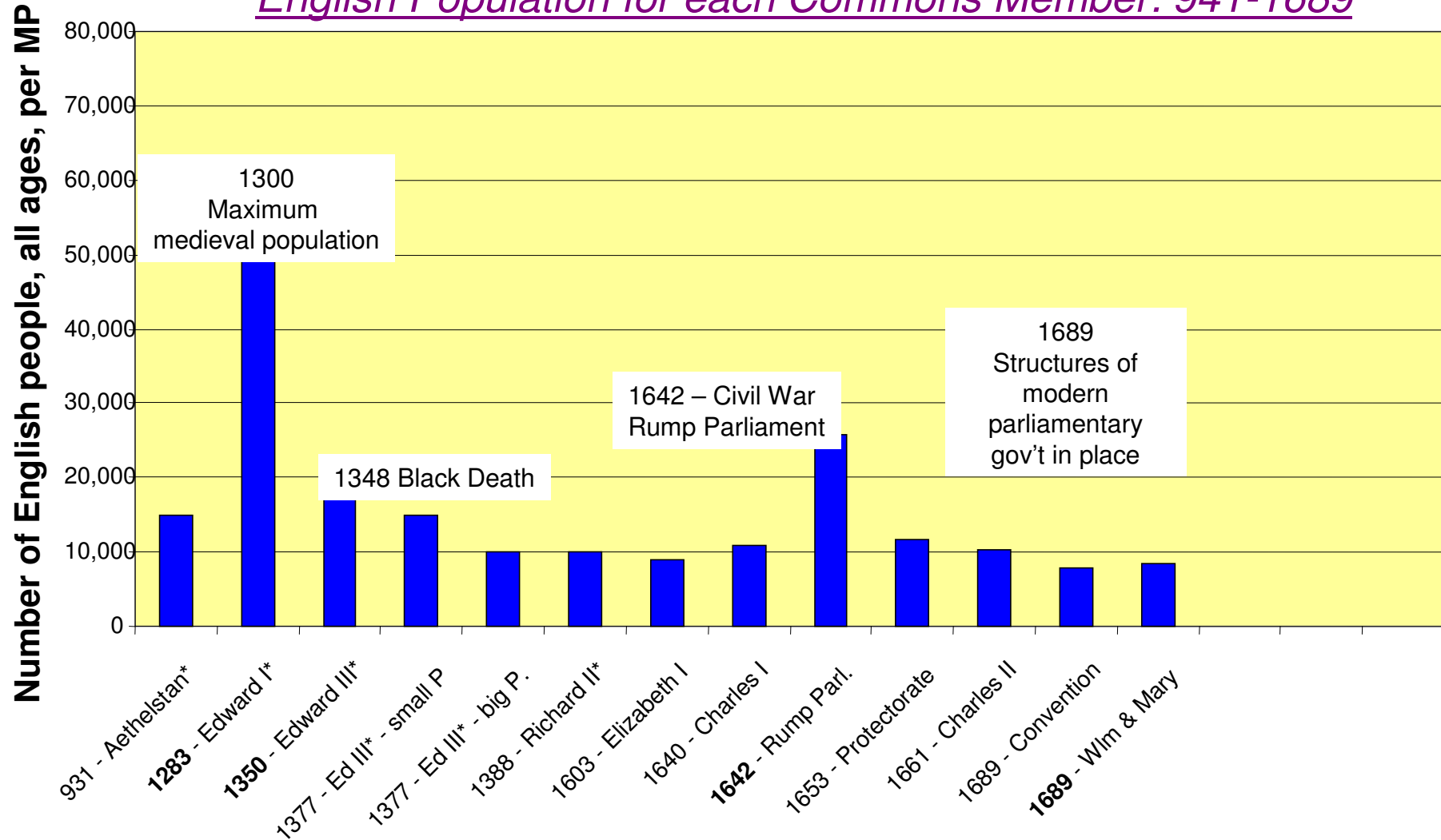
Localities in the centre & the centre in localities



Members of Commons were also

Small political distance & large political invention

English Population for each Commons Member: 941-1689

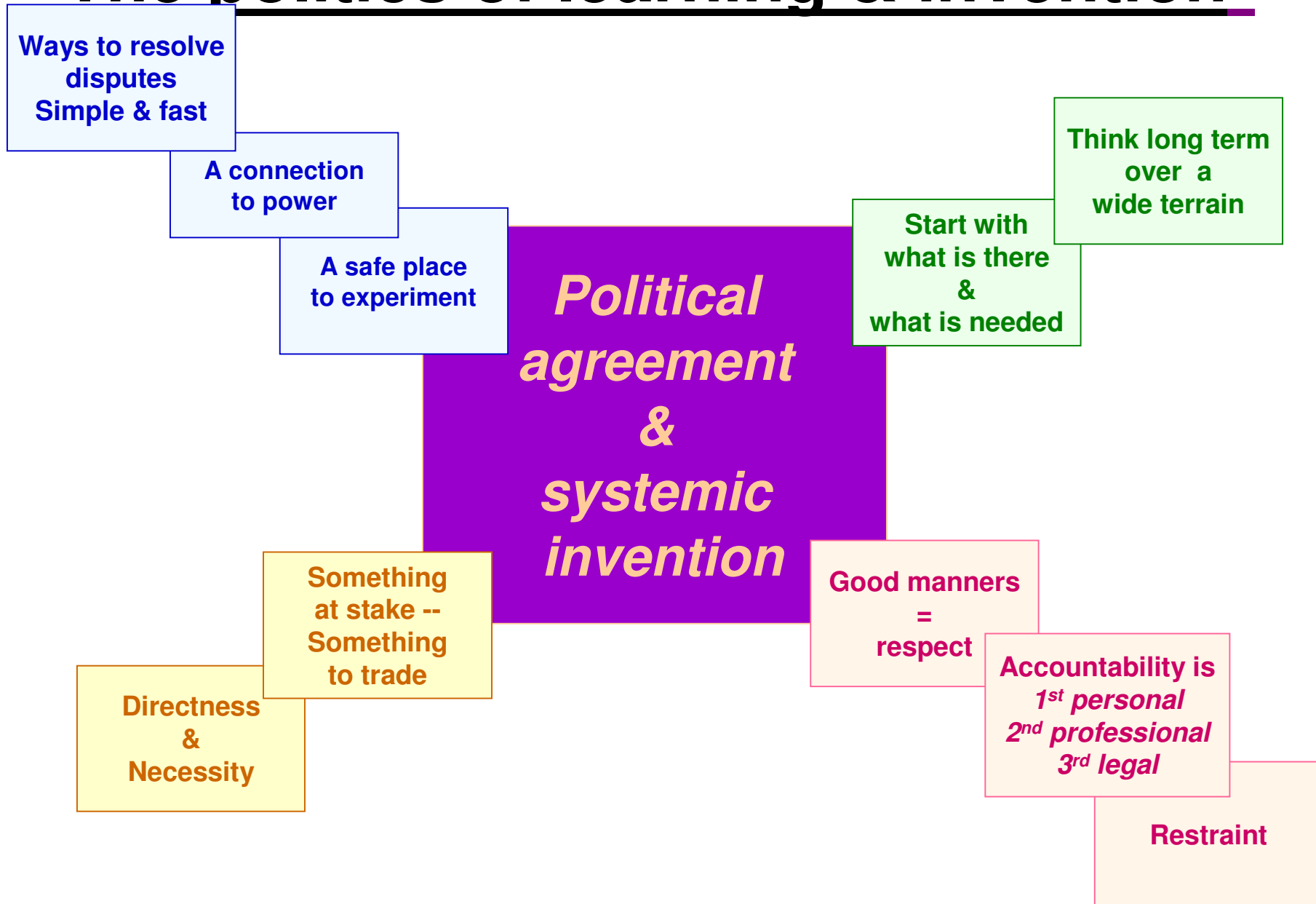


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The politics of learning & invention*

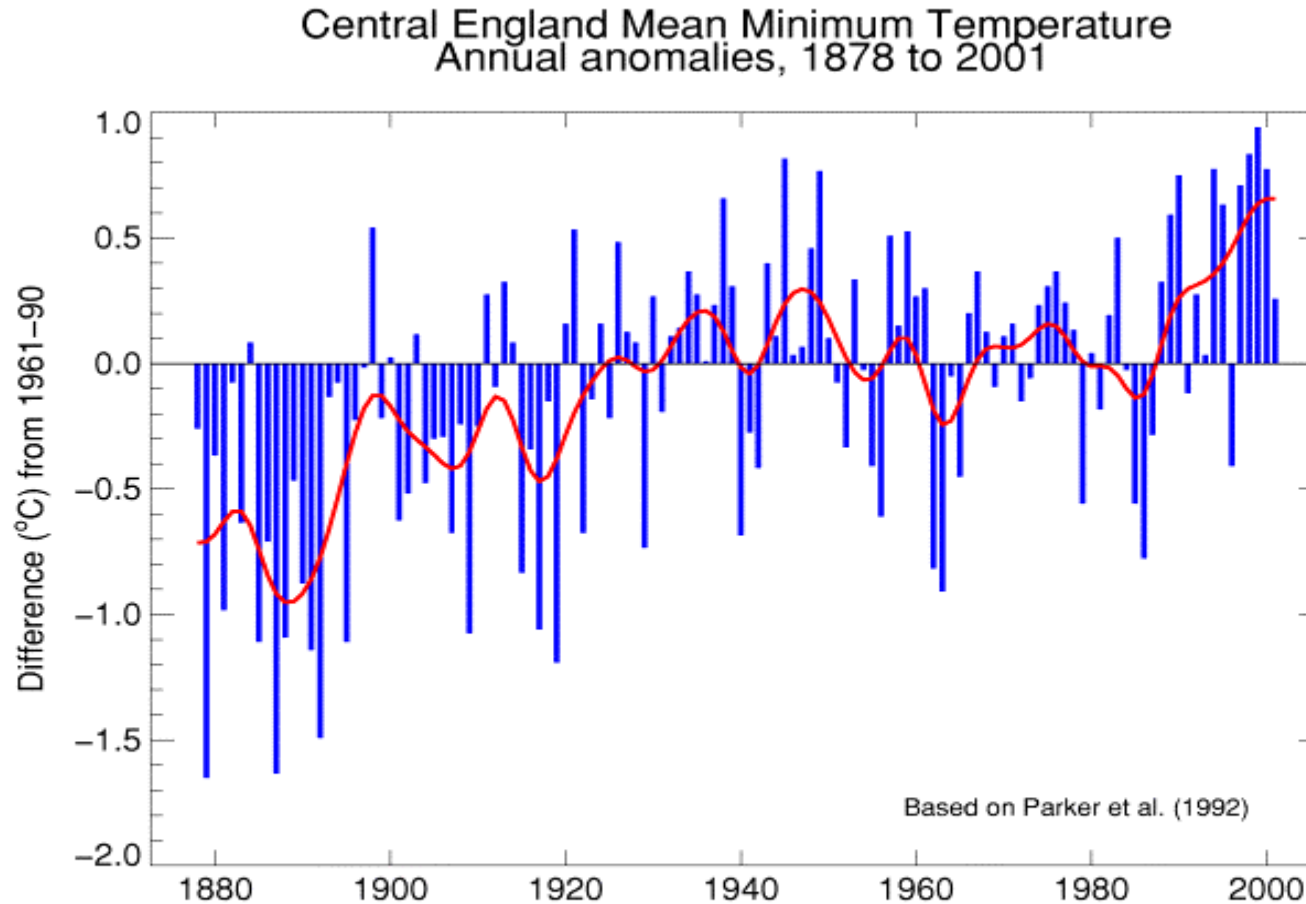


*based on lessons of English history Norman Conquest - industrial revolution

Branches

South West
England

Climate change in Central England *changes in minimum temperature*

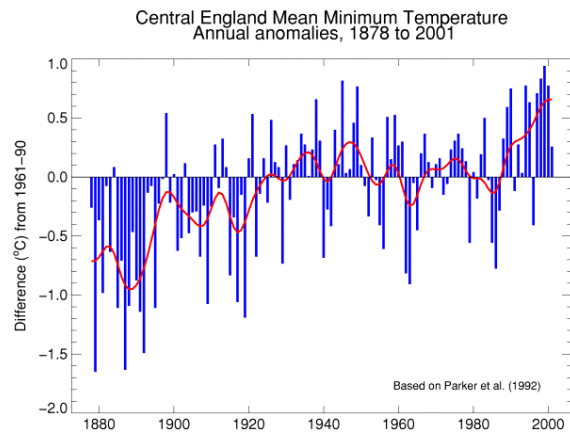
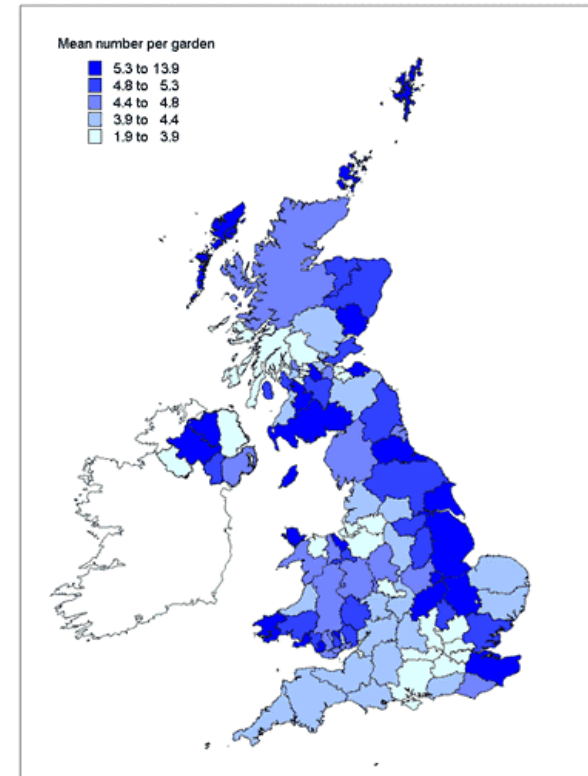


Biodiversity & ecological resilience



House Sparrow

The mean number of House Sparrows per garden.



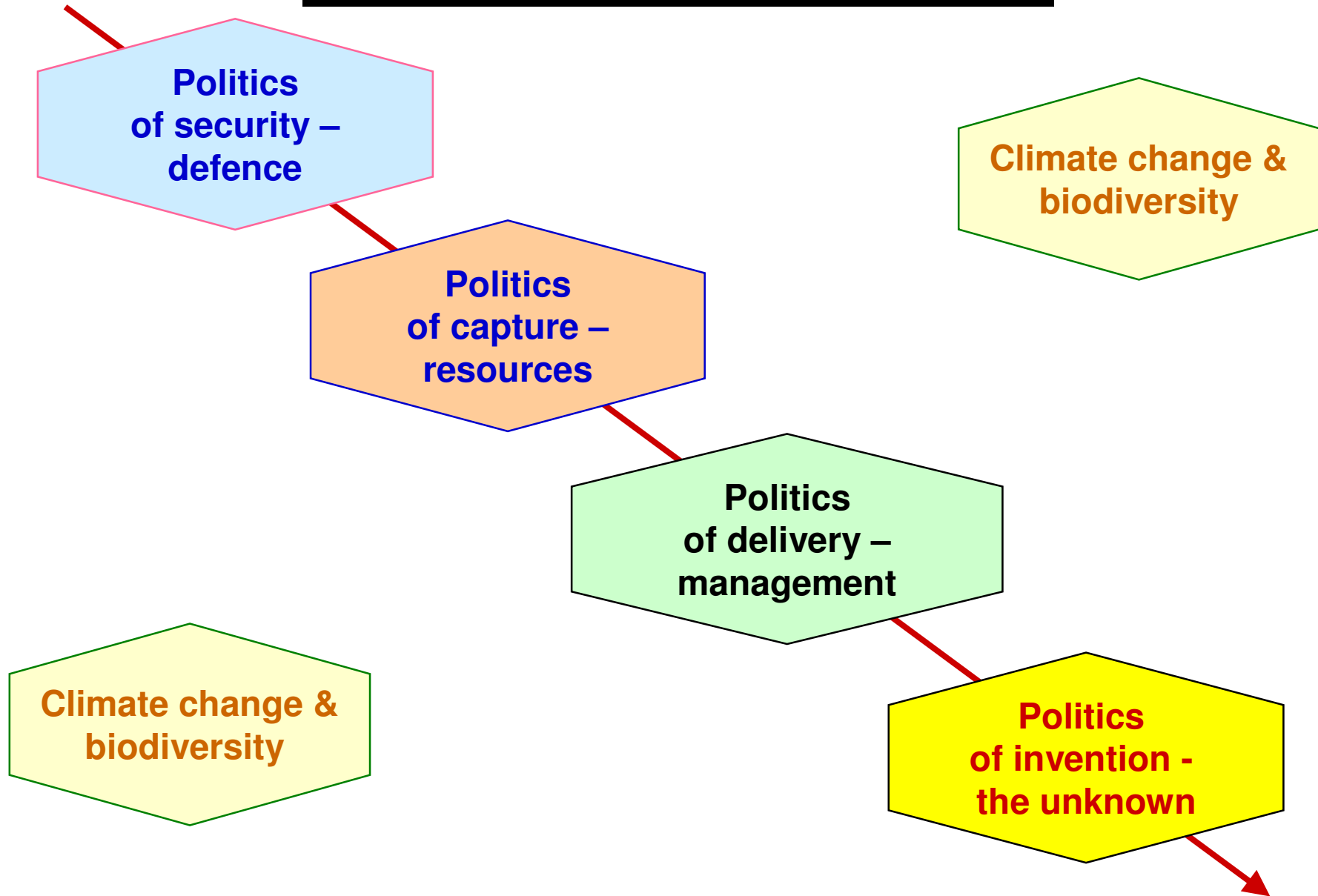
Met Office

Hadley Centre for Climate Prediction and Research

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Governance for what?



Who decides?

Motor companies

Insurance Co's

Popular use & lifestyle

Someone else must make the first move!



Boffins
Environ'tal pressure groups

Oil companies

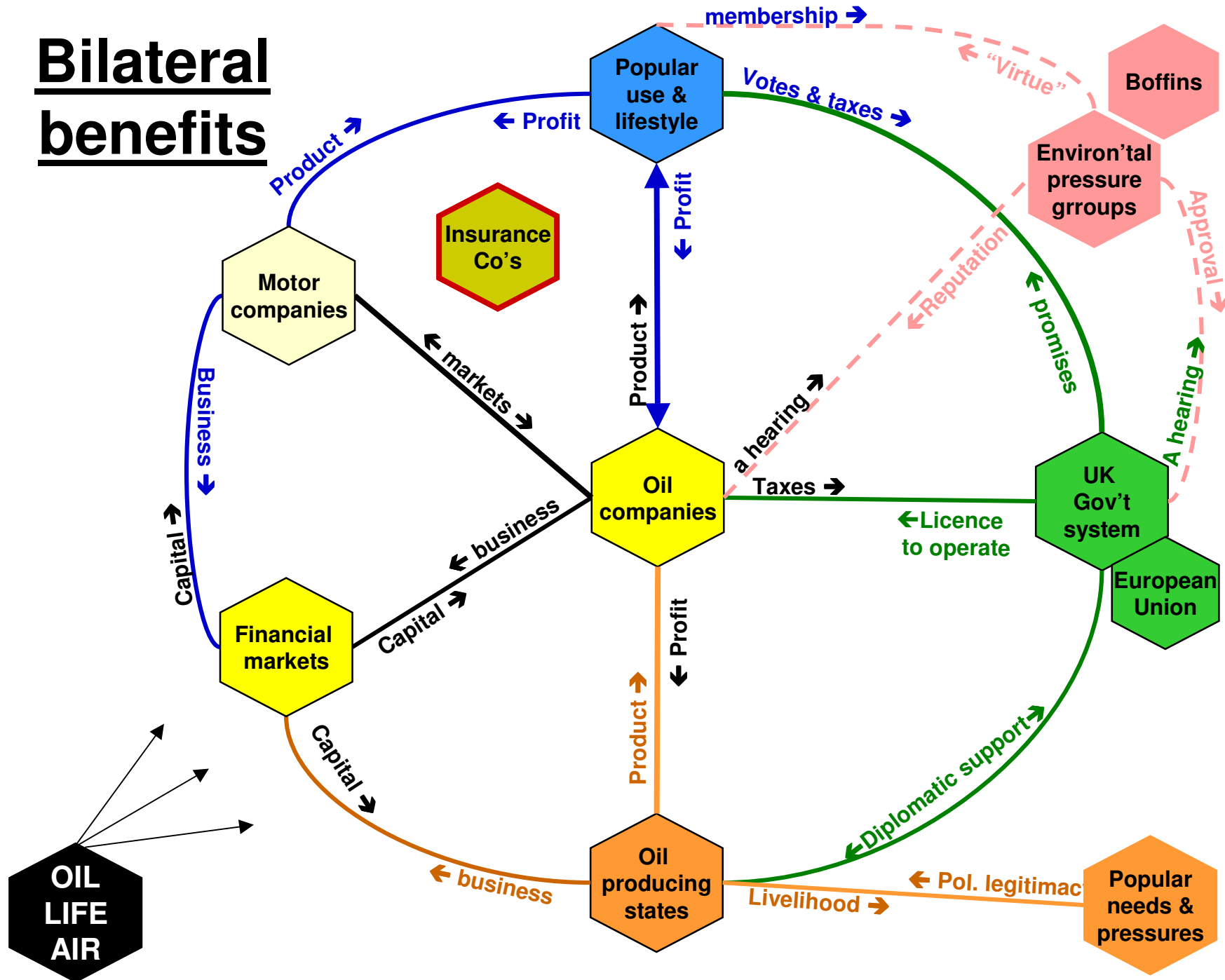
UK Gov't system
European Union

Financial markets

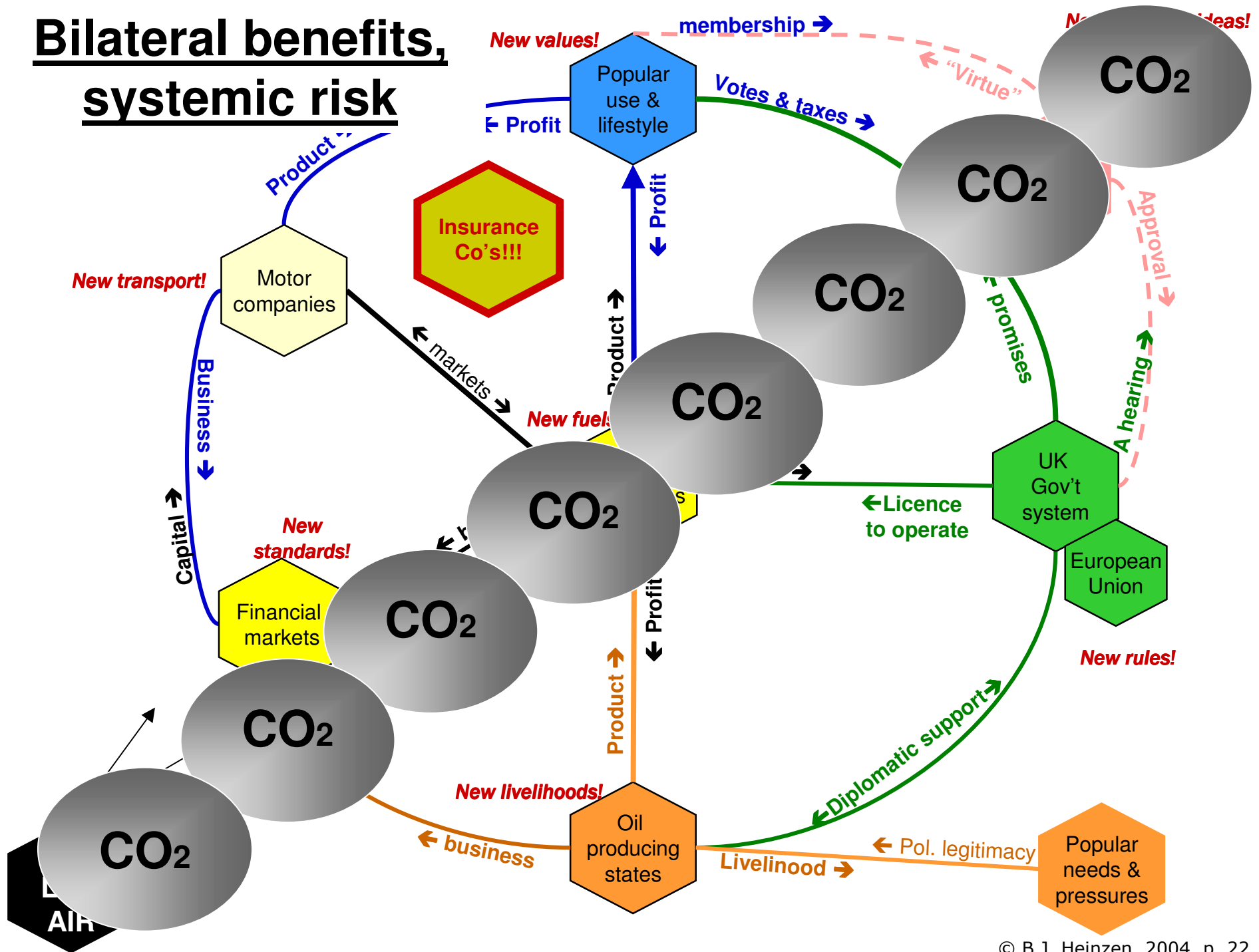
Oil producing states

Popular needs & pressures

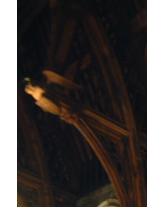
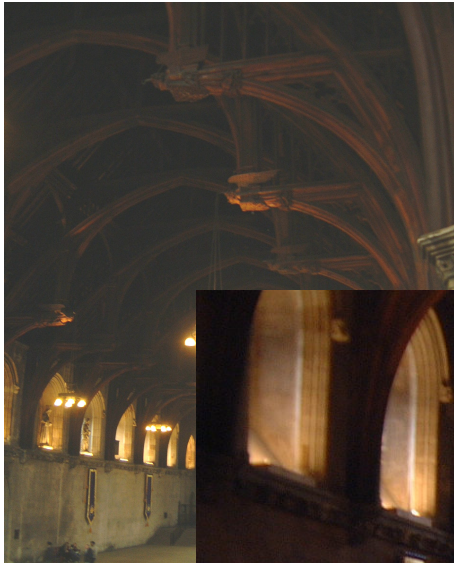
Bilateral benefits



Bilateral benefits, systemic risk



Where do we meet?



*what integrating forum
of interests, knowledge, wealth & power?*

Car users
Car makers

Oil companies

Goverments

Finance &
insurance

Scientists
& ecologists

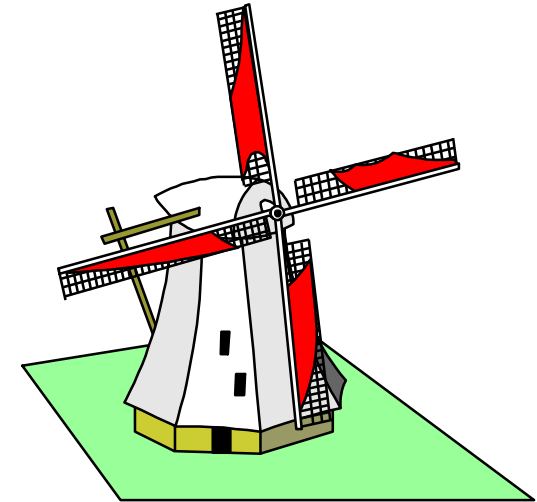
Judges

Spiritual
leaders

The voice of
nature

*Helen Cam, *Law-finders and Law-makers in Medieval England*, 1962, p. 17

What is role of neighbourly invention?



Carol singing in Wilmington Square, London, 2002

What can localities control?

*85% of local
spending
decided by
central gov't*



What role for custom & the law?

The Nationalised Bar

*Criminal bar = 70% of
all barristers & is
largely funded by state*

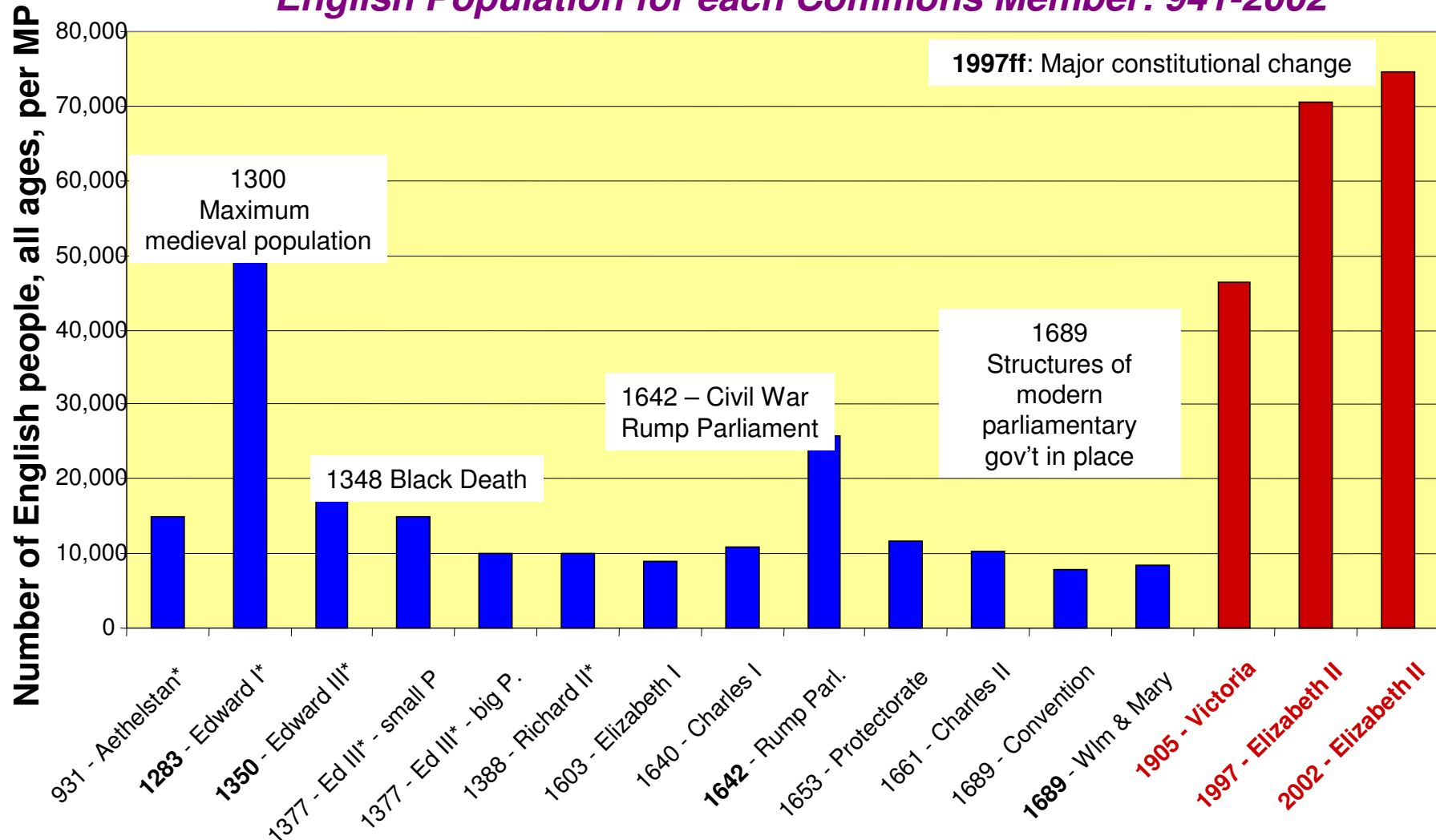


*What is
customary now?*



What connection to power?

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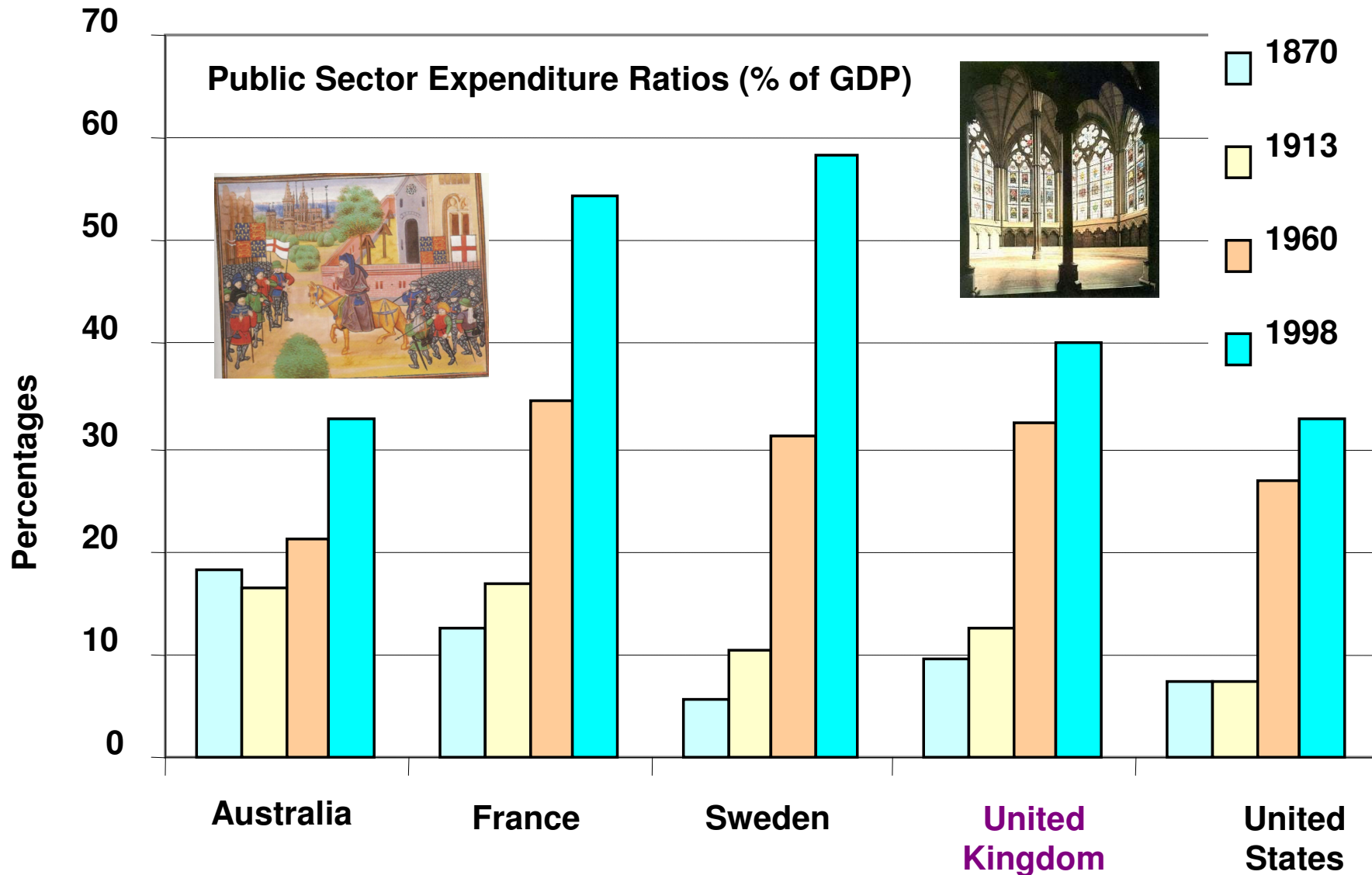


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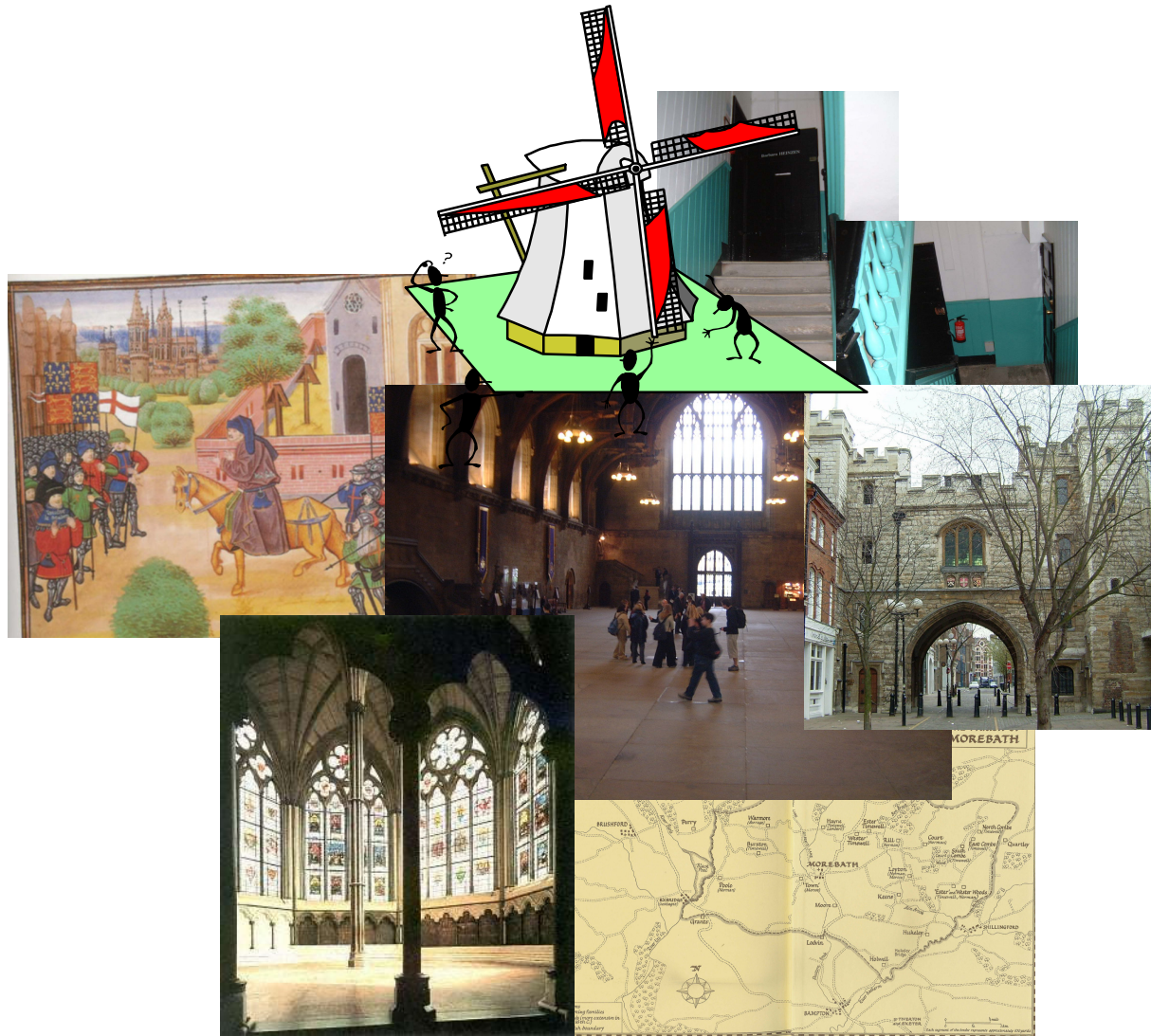
What willingness to rebel?



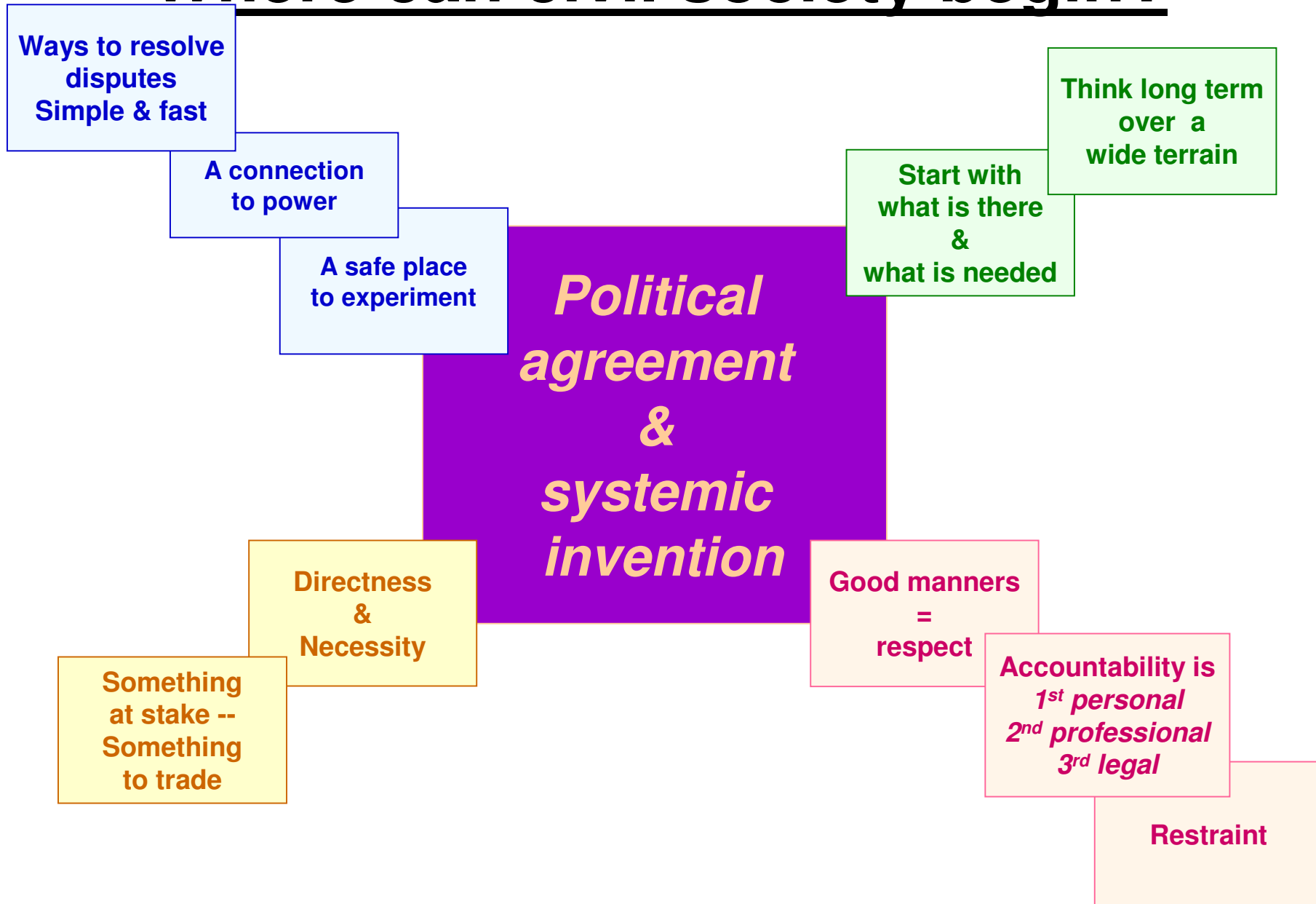
Civil society

South West
England

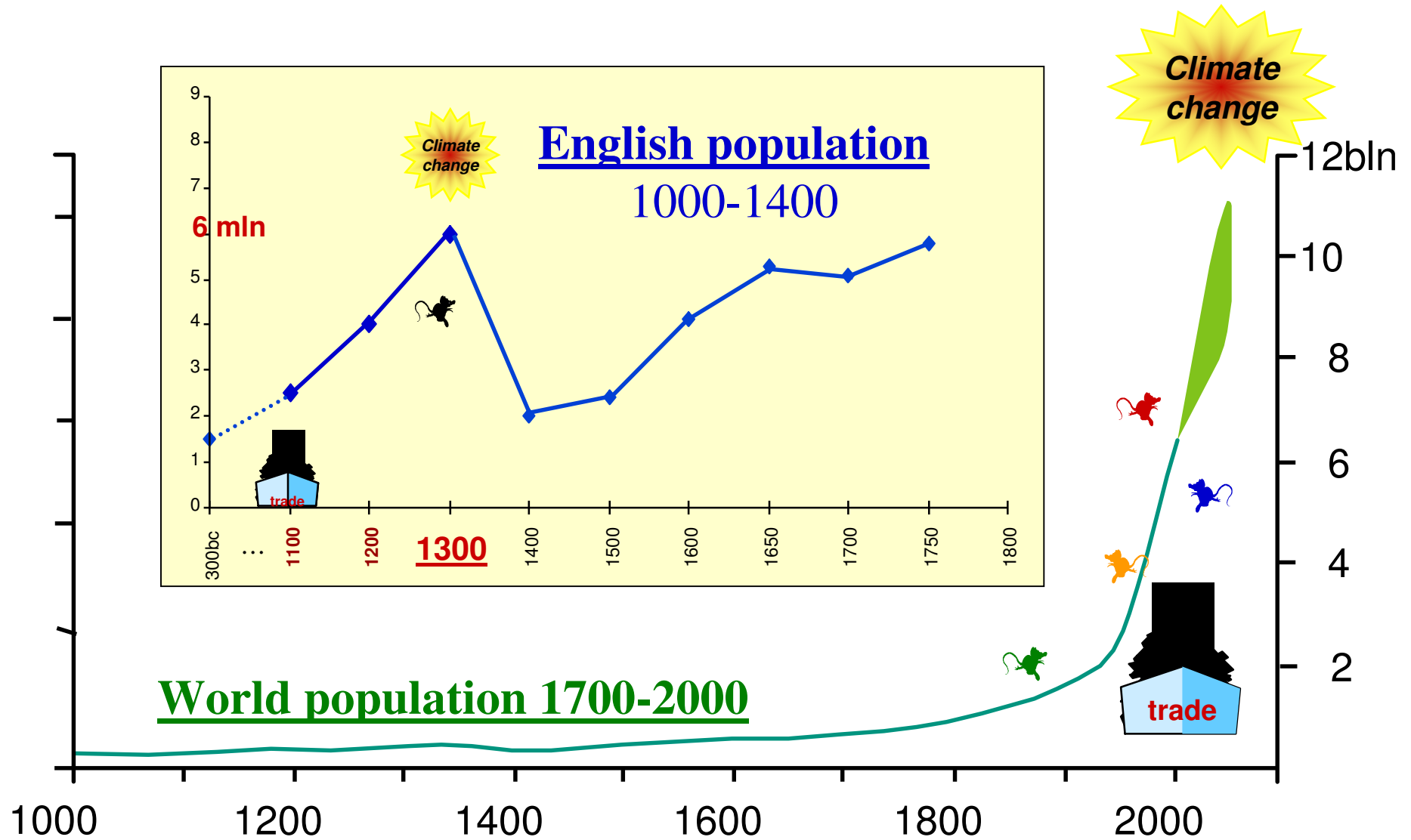
Who is civil society now?



Where can civil society begin?



Will it take a crisis to change?



When nature is more threatening than war



Weesenstein, E. Germany



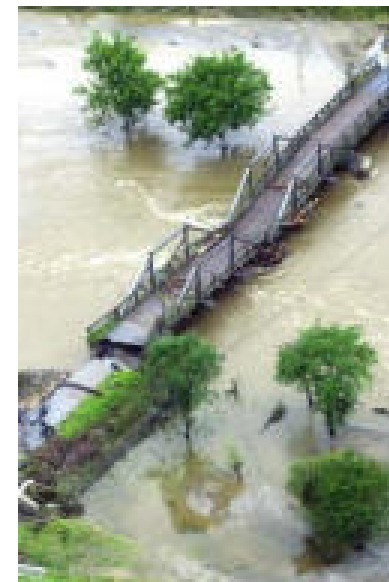
Vaclav Havel in Prague

**“Defence takes second place
as clean-up battle absorbs funds.”**

*Financial Times, 29 August 2002
Re: Czech decision to not purchase
24 Gripen fighter planes
& similar statements from Germany, Austria & Slovakia*



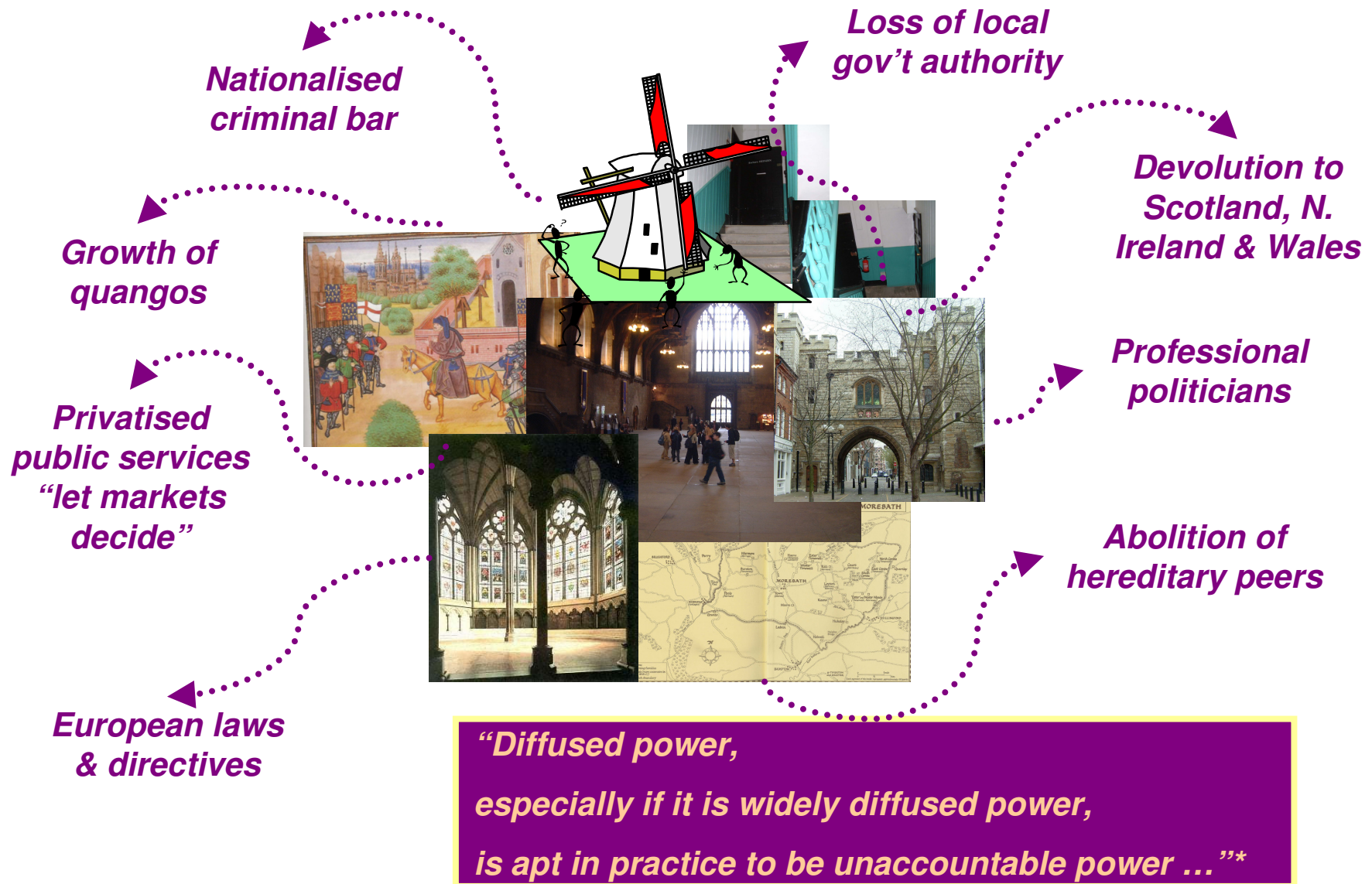
Kralupy, Czech Republic



Brunne Im Feld, Austria

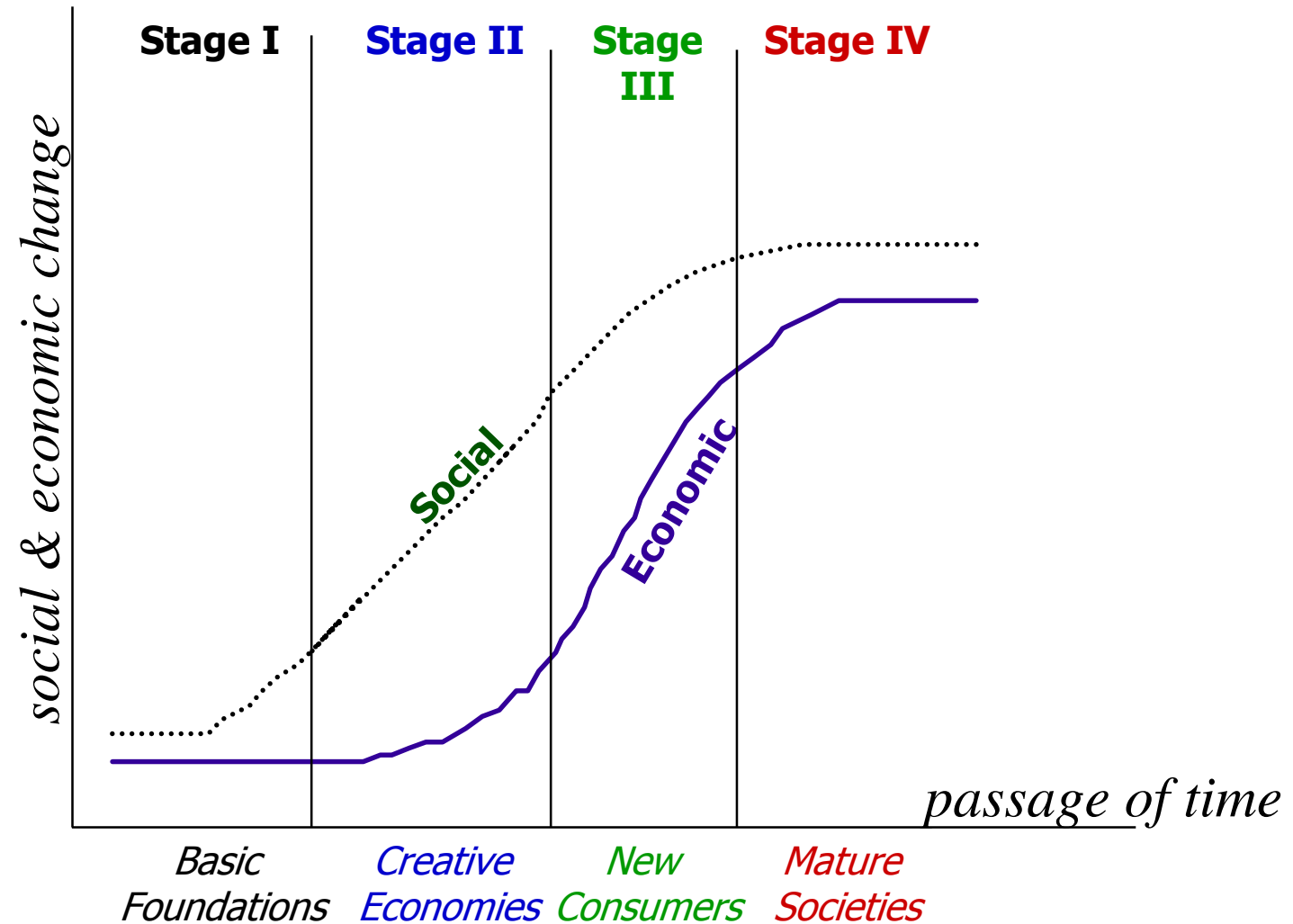
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Civil society & the unsettled constitution

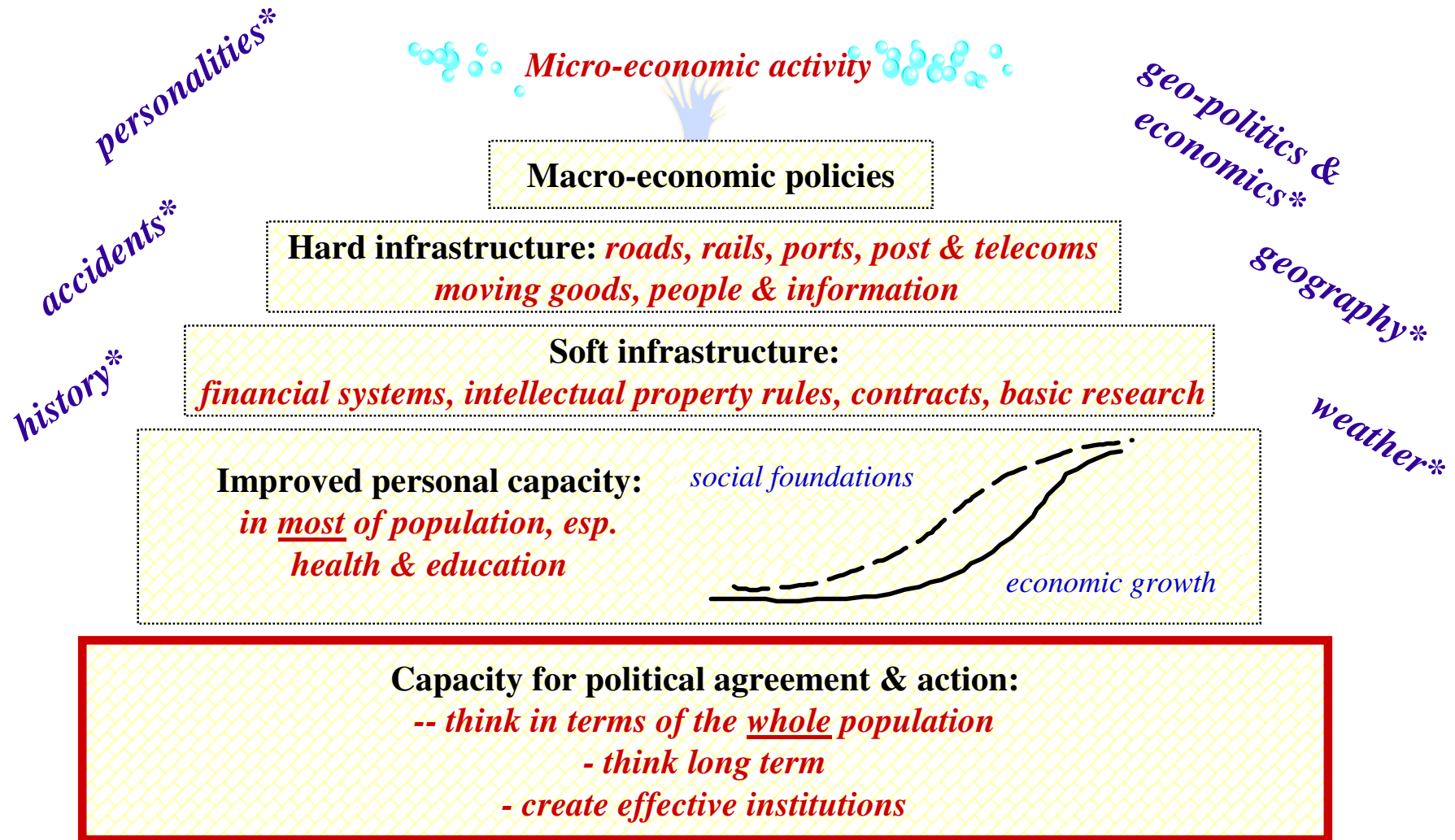


*King, Anthony, *Does the United Kingdom Still Have a Constitution?* London, Sweet & Maxwell, 2002

Late 20th Century Dev't Stages

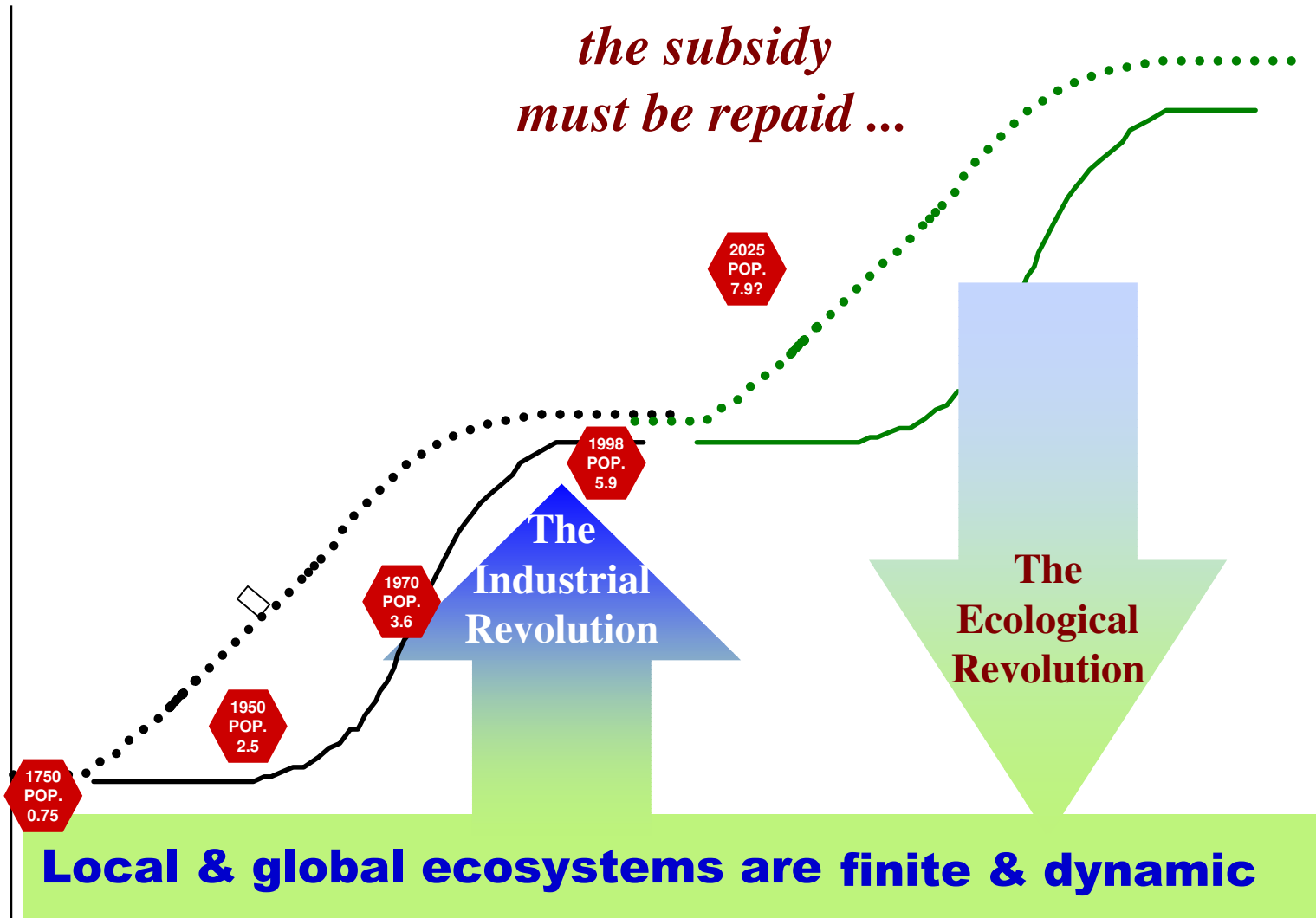


Development's Building Blocks



(*“If you can’t be wise, be lucky...”)

Ecological necessity → systemic change



1750 POP. 0.75bn
global population, in billions

Exponential Growth

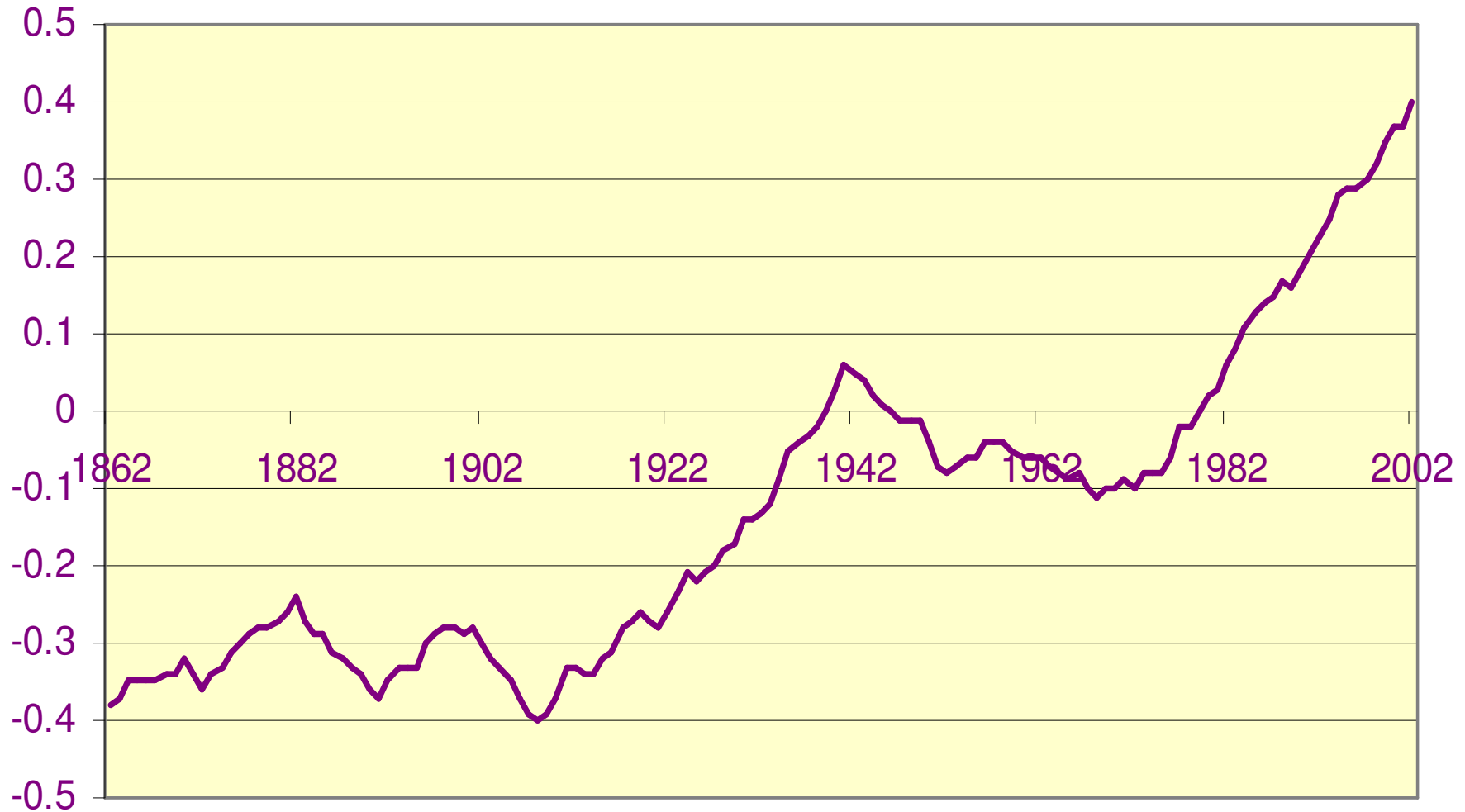
DOUBLING TIMES

Growth rates - %/yr

Doubling Time - yrs

0.1	700
0.5	140
1.0	70
2.0	35
3.0	23
4.0	18
5.0	14
7.0	10
10.1	7

Average Surface Temperature of the Globe - Degrees C



Source: Hadley Centre for Climate Prediction and Research