

Where Transition comes from and where it's going...

From Oil
Dependency to
Local Resilience

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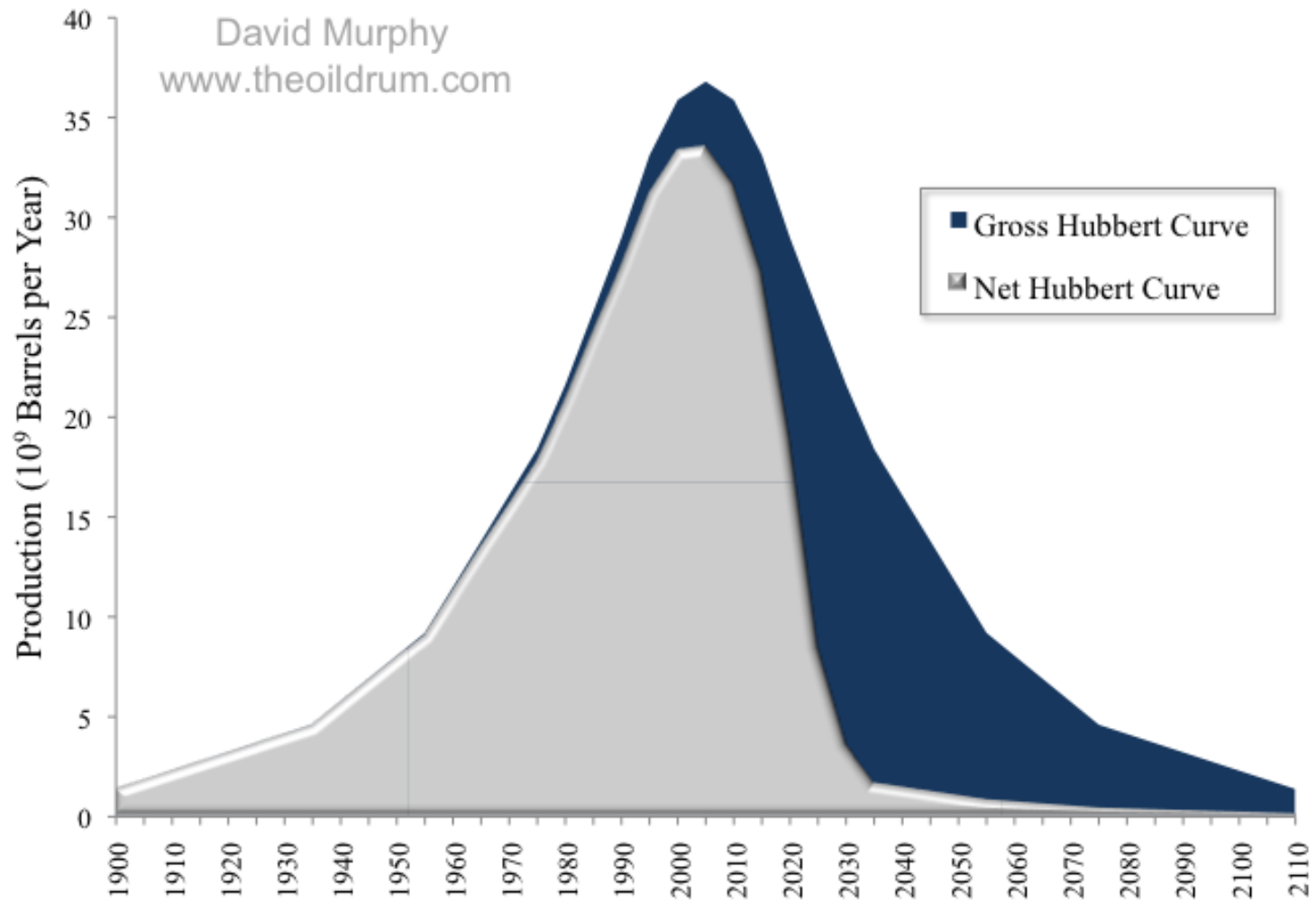
From www.chrismartenson.com/crashcourse

Bingham Canyon Mine, Utah.

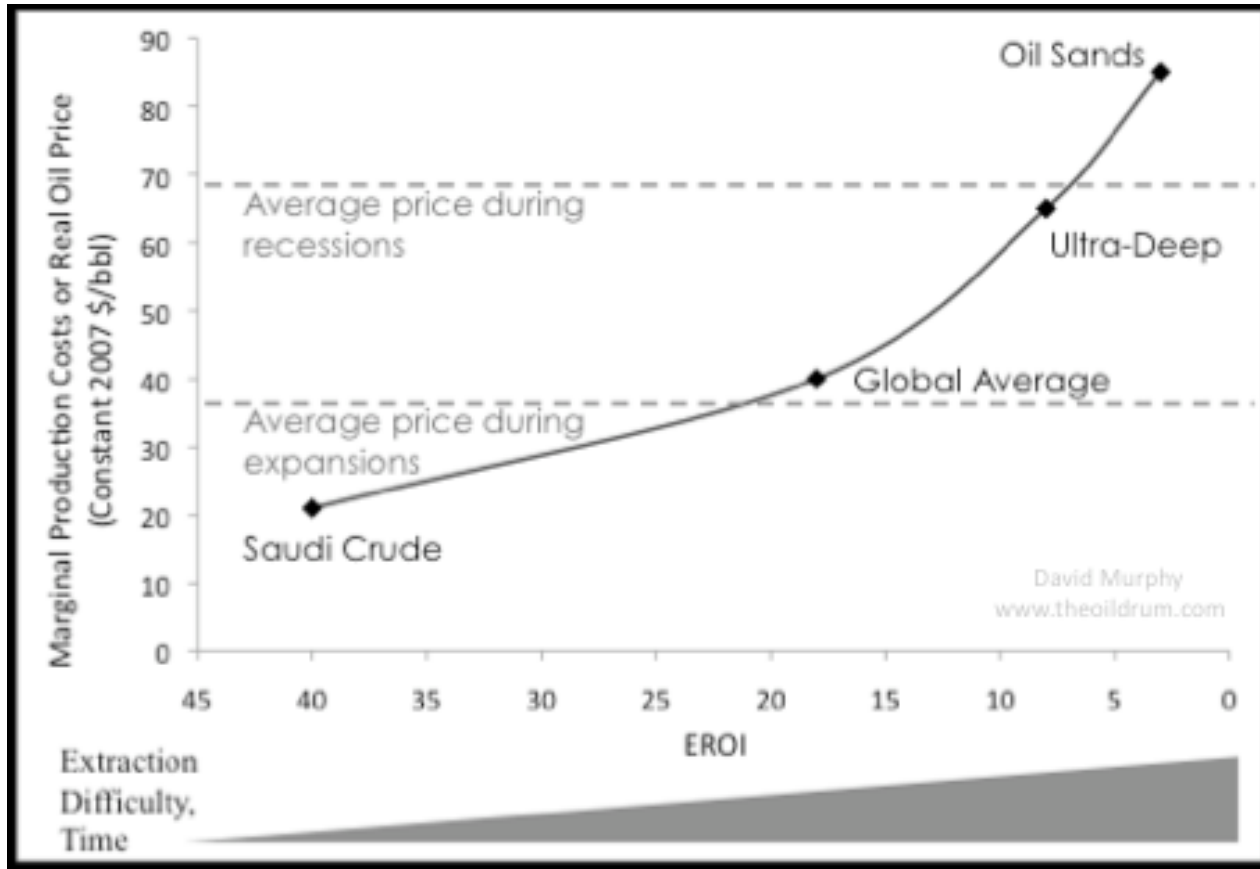




David Murphy
www.theoil drum.com



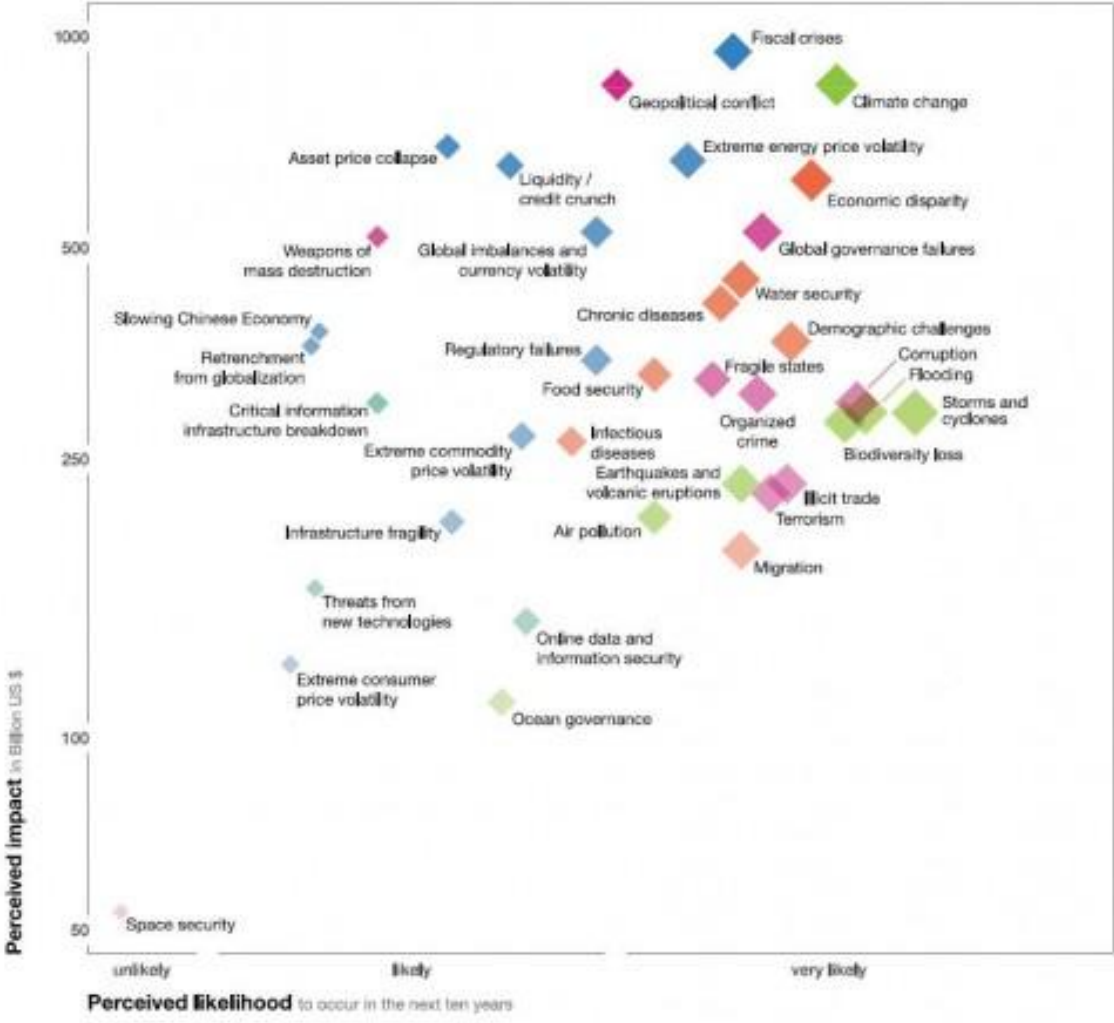
Energy Return on Investment



The End of Growth



Global Risks Landscape 2011



Spread of
Transition Initiatives
- first 12
- as at April 2007



Spread of Transition Initiatives
- first 100
- as at Jan 2008



Spread of Transition Initiatives
- 830 (many others don't appear on this map)
- as at Aug 2011



Transition as...

- Transition as an inner process
- Transition as leading by practical example...
- Transition as an approach rooted in place and circumstance...
- Transition as a tool for turning problems into solutions...
- Transition as a cultural shift...
- Transition as an economic process....
- Transition as a storyteller...





The pot just went on and on,
cooking more porridge. Soon there
was porridge all over the table and
all over the kitchen floor.

And still the little pot went on,
cooking more and more porridge!





Factors of success

- Joyful
- Viral
- Open source
- Self-organising
- Hopeful and constructive
- Iterative
- Clarifying
- Sensitive to place and scale
- Historic

TRANSITION

LONDON



find your local transition initiative at

[HTTP://LONDON-TRANSITION.ORG.UK](http://LONDON-TRANSITION.ORG.UK)





hello there...

this community allotment was created by your local transition town food group and the lovely people at London underground

come and join our group

we usually garden here on the first Sunday of every month at 2pm - beginners especially welcome here and at our other local plots!

and feel free to pick some of the food it's FREE (just leave enough for others)

join online <http://tkkensaltokilburn.ning.com>
or email sanchia.dunn@gmail.com

twitter @TKZK



Transition Town Kensal to Kilburn is a fast-growing network of people living in this community. We are making real changes to our neighbourhood because we want to live in a greener, less-wasteful city, in comfortable homes and with fantastic, local and affordable food to eat.



HAMPSTEAD
COMMUNITY GARDEN









TRANSITION TOWN
TOOTING



 Taunton
Transition
Town







MOTION IN THE NAME OF COUNCILLOR BULL – FORTHCOMING IMPACT OF PEAK OIL

MOVED by Councillor Bull, seconded by Councillor Chapman:-

This Council acknowledges the forthcoming impact of peak oil. The Council therefore needs to respond, and help the citizens it serves respond, to the likelihood of shrinking oil supply but in a way which will nevertheless maintains the City's prosperity. It acknowledges that actions taken to adapt to and mitigate against climate change also help us adapt issues around peak oil.

It will do this by:

- developing an understanding of the impact of peak oil on the local economy and the local community
- encouraging a move across the city towards sustainable transport, cycling and walking throughout the city
- pursuing a rigorous energy efficiency and conservation programme through its carbon management plan, the work towards EMAS accreditation and on leading on raising energy awareness across all sectors to reduce dependency on oil based energy in the city
- supporting research and production within the city which helps develop local effective alternative energy supplies and energy saving products in order to encourage a move away from oil based fuels and also in order to create local 'green collar jobs'
- co-ordinating policy and action on reducing our city's carbon dependency and in response to the need to mitigate and adapt to climate change and peak oil.

In this way Nottingham City Council will not only be helping the city to rise to the challenge of peak oil but also encourage the city to grasp the opportunities which peak oil offers.

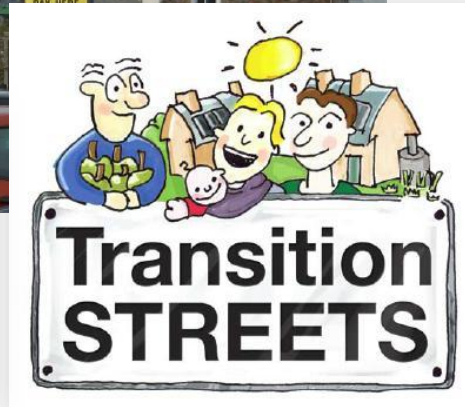
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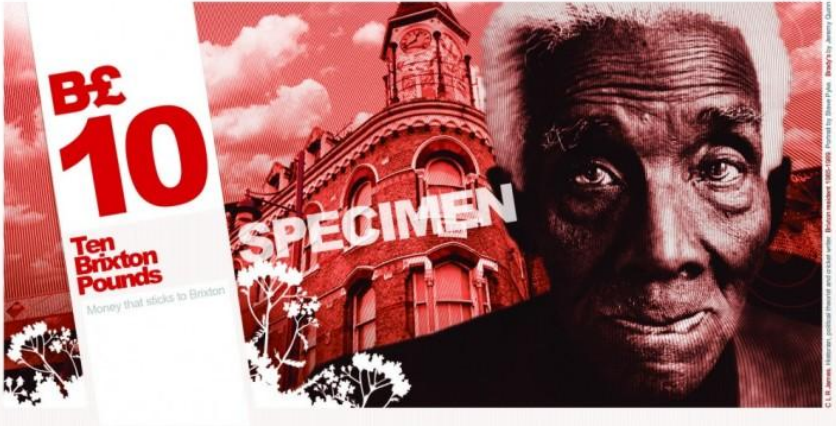
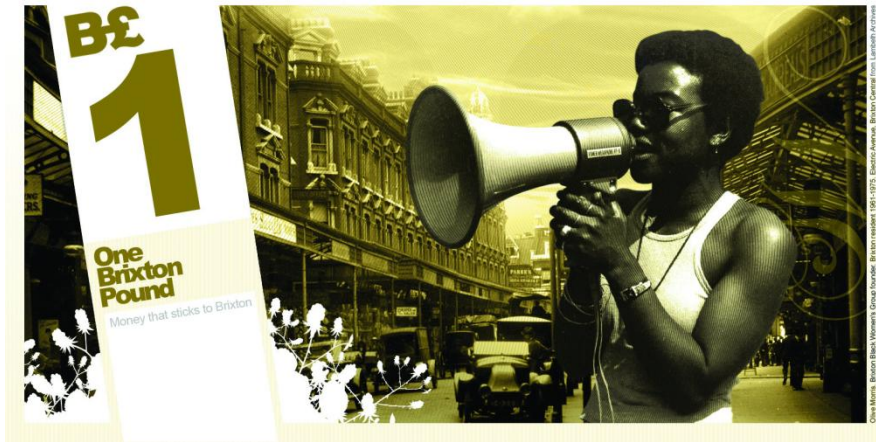
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The meeting closed at 5.20pm.



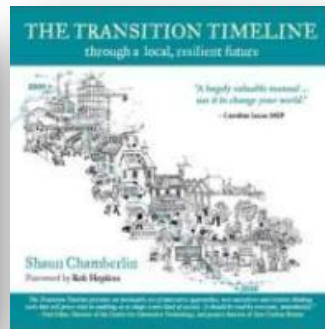
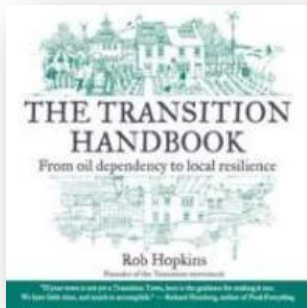
Transition Town Totnes celebrate being one of DECC's 'Low Carbon Communities', an award of £625,000 for 'Transition Streets'



Tools for plugging the leaks
The Brixton Pound goes electronic...

“...if you want to catch a glimpse of the kinds of places outside the political mainstream where the new politics might be incubated, take a look at the Transition movement ... it isn't so hard to see why politicians are so interested. The Transition movement is engaging people in a way that conventional politics is failing to do. It generates emotions that have not been seen in political life for a long time: enthusiasm, idealism and passionate commitment”.

Madeline Bunting: The Guardian



THE TRANSITION COMPANION

Making your community more resilient in uncertain times



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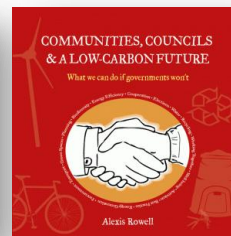
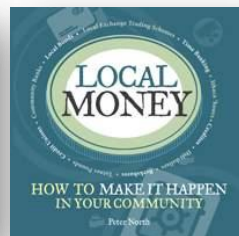
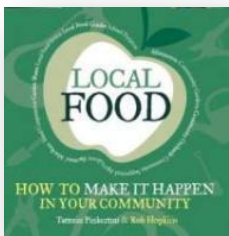
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Coming soon!
The Transition Companion