

Social mobility

Two heads of private schools share their uplifting tales of social mobility and "supportive partnership work" with state schools (*Letters*, 25 April). We all seem to approve of social mobility and it is increasingly cited as a justification for just about anything. Why?

In the endless queues round the block outside Wimbledon, if an individual from the back of the queue is moved nearer the front then for each significant 'winner' there are many 'losers'. This is social mobility.

Alternatively, if we expand Centre Court to provide more seats, there are many 'winners' and no 'losers'. This is social transformation.

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