Will the age of austerity save the NHS?

I have always been a passionate supporter of the NHS and initially viewed the Nicholson challenge as a threat to the future of the NHS; now though I wonder if it may actually save the NHS.

Among the many good things the last government did for the NHS there were changes that have significantly increased costs without improving quality of service. Agenda for change, the working time directive, Agenda for change, the working time directive, Agenda for change, the working time directive, Agenda for change, the working time directive. Raising public expectations without improving outcomes has also reduced productivity. Innovations in patient services, such as walk in centres, NHS Direct and Sara centre, again driven more by wants than needs, has improved access without improvements in health outcomes. This has come at a time of unprecedented advances in technology in quality of life and life expectancy, with the elderly population in some areas increasing by 30% over the past 10 years. A rapidly increasing elderly population with failing productivity will make current NHS provision unaffordable within a generation. Will the age of austerity save the NHS?

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