

THE LONG VIEW

The Nikki Barnes Universe is not intended to be fashionable.

- Fashion changes.
- Truth endures.
- Technology evolves.
- Politics shifts.
- Governments come and go.
- But the questions we ask remain timeless.
- How should power be exercised?
- What is justice?
- What is duty?
- What do we owe one another?
- Those questions will remain relevant decades from now.

THE LEGACY I SEEK

If, twenty years from now, readers say:

"The Nikki Barnes novels helped me understand Britain." I shall have succeeded.

If viewers say:

"I still think about Nikki Barnes years after finishing the series." I shall have succeeded.

If young doctors, detectives, councillors, journalists or civil servants recognise aspects of their own lives in these stories, we shall have succeeded.

Success will not be measured solely by sales or viewing figures.

It will be measured by the conversations these stories inspire, and the lasting connection readers feel to the characters.