Profiteers

Fiddler's Green

There's a cold wind blowing through the old east side and it cuts with the devils's curse They' re turning our people into the streets

while the landlords line their purse With the greenback dollar of the tourist trade there's a fortune to be had Make way for the out-of-towners for the tenants it's just too bad

This appears to be their attitude, kick'em until they're down They' re only welfare cases and pensioners and they're easily pushed around We invited the world to come and stay and celebrate the fair I wonder if the world will understand the homeless walking there

I'm alright, Jack, and how about you? Gonna catch me a wave that's rolling through and turn a trick or two I'm alright, Jack, no flies on me I'm within my rights, my conscience clear I am the profiteer

The sign says closed for renovations, this is a con we all see through It spreads like a poison through the town, monkey see and monkey do Turn your slum into a mine squeeze them hard for every dime The people will paint you criminals, but you just can't see the crime

They' re all bastards with no morals overcome by a pitiful greed For years they've taken rent from the tenants now they bite the hand that feeds Easily turned a blind eye to all pain and despair And I hope when the rush is over that their gold mines all stand bare