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THE BREXIT PARTY IS MAKING **HISTORY AND CHANGING** POLITICS FOR GOOD.

Since launching in April we have already:

- **WON** the European elections with more votes than the Tories and Labour combined.
- **TOPPED** national polls for a UK General Election
- **RECRUITED** over 115,000 paying supporters. We have become the most successful, fastest-growing new party in modern UK politics.

How? By turning people's anger over the establishment's betrayal of Brexit into hope.

By giving millions of politically homeless voters a positive vision of a brighter future in a freer, more democratic Britain

Politics is broken, with Westminster now more disconnected from normal people than at any time in living memory.

A damning recent survey reveals that just SIX PER CENT of voters think 'British politicians understand people like me'. Meanwhile 74 per cent agree that 'the UK political system is currently not fit for purpose'. Enough is enough. Continued on Page 2...

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That's why Britain needs the Brexit Party.

To put trust back at the heart of our democracy. To give a voice to 'people like us' who have had enough of being ignored and insulted by those with power.

To make the UK political system 'fit for purpose'. And to ensure parliament's democratic purpose is to represent the mass of the people, not to rule over them like aristocrats of old.

The Brexit Party is the one party which truly believes in a clean-break exit from the EU - what 17.4m voted for three

That is our starting point. The battle for Brexit still needs to be hard fought and won against the combined forces of the Remainer establishment and their media allies.

But this battle is now about much more than the EU. It is about what sort of country we want Britain to be.

If a parliament packed with Remainer MPs and Lords can overturn the biggest mandate in British history, then what kind of democratic society do we really live in today?

The Brexit Party is now turning its attention to Westminster. We are getting ready for a General Election, whenever it comes. With the Conservative and Labour parties both in chaos, that could well be sooner rather than later.

Britain needs the Brexit Party and the Brexit Party needs vou.

Whenever it comes, this will be a Brexit General Election. And we will be fighting to win every seat.

In the couple of months since I launched the Brexit Party, our remarkable success has frightened the life out of the establishment parties. They have responded in panic by hurling lies, abuse and political libels at our candidates and supporters.

Let them come. As a veteran of Bomber Command wrote to assure me, 'You only start getting flak when you're getting near to the target.' With your support, we are ready to take them on.

I hope you enjoy this first edition of our party newspaper, The Brexiteer. We have made a great start. But this really is only the beginning.

Please get in touch, get involved and support the Brexit Party. You'll find details on the back cover. Britain needs the Brexit Party. And the Brexit Party needs you.



trust betrayed

of all?

We have just passed the third anniversary of the 2016 EU referendum, when 52 per cent of us voted Leave. Yet we have still not left yet.

That's 17.4m votes. Three years. No Brexit. The new deadline for the UK to quit the EU is October 31st. That date will loom large in many people's minds as it gets closer.

Yet why should we trust the Westminster parties to deliver Brexit this time? Their record over the past three years is a trail of broken promises and trust betrayed.

Remember how, in the 2016 referendum campaign, David Cameron's Tory government spent £9m sending every household a glossy Remain propaganda pamphlet? It promised that 'The Government will implement what you decide'.

Remember how, in the General Election of June 2017, both Theresa May's Tories and Jeremy Corbyn's Labour stood on manifesto commitments to implement Brexit?

Labour pledged to 'respect the result of the referendum'. The Tory manifesto stated in

black and white that 'no deal is better than a bad deal for the UK'.

And whatevhappened to Brexit Day, March 29th? Mrs May told us that we would definitely leave on that date. In fact she told us 108 times. And then March 29th came and went, without Britain going anywhere.

After three years of deceit, we could face the worst betrayal of all, if the political establishment again fails to deliver Brexit by the 'final' deadline of October 31st.

Let's hope that whoever takes over from Mrs May as Conservative prime minister will finally get it done. But let's also remember that all the Leaver candidates to become Tory leader voted for her appalling withdrawal agreement at the third time of asking.

The best these Tories seem likely to offer is a warmed-over version of that defeatist treaty - something a nation normally signs only after losing a war. Meanwhile Corbyn's Labour moves closer to coming out as an anti-Brexit party, for a second referendum and Remain.

That's why October 31st looks set to be a decisive moment. The day when we finally get the Brexit we voted for - or the Remainer es-

tablishment finally abandons any pretence of respecting the democratic

> will of the people. If the worst betrayal of all is coming, it will not easily be forgiven. On October 31st, not just for the Tory Party but for British democracy, it is now a case of Brexit - or bust.



ANN WIDDECOMBE IS THE COME-BACK QUEEN OF BRITISH POLITICS.

When other MPs move from Westminster into celebrity TV and pantomime, it signals the end of their political career.

Not our Ann. She retired as a Conservative MP in 2010, waltzed off to Strictly Come Dancing – and has now come stomping back onto the political stage as a Brexit Party MEP for the South West region.

'I retired from politics,' she says, 'for the simple reason that, after 23 years in Westminster and seven years a minister, I'd had enough. And I certainly didn't regret it. I loved retirement, I loved the birdsong in my garden, I loved the fun things I was doing like pantomimes.

'But I got more and more frustrated with Westminster's betrayal of Brexit. And then I thought to myself, "I can go on lamenting the situation from my armchair. But maybe I need to do something about it".

'I really didn't want to come back! But I could see absolutely no choice. I needed to answer, not so much the call of duty, as the howl of duty. I decided to stand for the Brexit Party, the only one offering a clean, decisive Brexit.'

'I was in Flam in Norway, standing by a fjord, and I thought, it's make your mind up time. So I pulled out my mobile phone and called Nigel Farage.

'I have thrown heart and soul into it. And I am sincerely hoping - I wouldn't put money on it - that my tenure as an MEP will end on October the 31st. We must leave.'

Having been elected in May, what does she make of the MEP life so far? 'The overwhelming impression is just how undemocratic, corrupt and profligate Brussels is. I'm a Member of the European Parliament, but I cannot propose legislation, I cannot repeal legislation, I cannot table questions; I cannot do any of the things we take for granted at Westminster.

'The whole thing is in the hands of the unelected Commission. It's certainly not a democracy as we understand it.'

The Brexit Party campaign showed thousands of British voters do understand what democracy should look like. 'The campaign turned people's anger into something positive – support for the Brexit Party. Everywhere we went, the Tory shires or the Labour heartlands, we got terrific receptions. People right across the political spectrum want change.'

For some of us, a defining image of that campaign was Farage and former Tory minister Widdecombe being cheered to the rafters of Featherstone Working Men's Club in the old Yorkshire coalfields.

'They tell me these are the Labour heartlands,' Ann told the crowd of ex-miners and their families.

'Oh no they're not. They're the Brexit heartlands!'



Even now, I don't think the Westminster parties realise how thoroughly disengaged the electorate is.

'I got a terrific reception in a working men's club where normally,' she recalls, 'I'd have been lucky to escape without being ejected. I think for one straightforward reason – we're all on the same side, we want out of this mess, we want something to change radically in the way politics is delivered. There was a shared energy in the room for that.'

What of the contest to be Tory leader and prime minister? 'I would want Boris to win because he is at least talking about a decisive Brexit. Whether Boris will then be able to deliver Brexit on October 31st is a very different question.'

'I think there will still have to be a bit of a fight before we get Britain out.

'And I know that the only vehicle for getting Britain out is the Brexit Party.

'The Brexit Party is a huge coalition, going from left to right. When we had our first get-together as 70 European election candidates, I thought – what is different from the Tories? After about 20 minutes I realised: you hadn't got a room full of people, all of whom want to be prime minister!

'There was no clash of egos. We're focussed on an objective – Brexit.'

Ann has a message for our readers. 'Keep the energy going and whenever you can, promote the Brexit cause. And if you know somebody who didn't vote in the European or local elections because they were so fed up, urge them to vote for the Brexit Party.

'It's the only way we're going to get out of this mess.'

Ann is back and fighting the political battle of her life. Any return to panto will have to wait. Altogether now, to the Tory and Labour parties: 'She's be-hind you!'

CHANGE

THE BREXIT PARTY IS GETTING READY FOR A GENERAL ELECTION, WHENEVER IT COMES. We are selecting candidates to fight every seat. And we're developing policies to address some of the problems facing British society - to take advantage of the great opportunities Brexit will bring.

At our national event, The Big Vision, held at the NEC Birmingham on Sunday June 30th, we announced some of our first policy priorities – outlined here.

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post-Brexit Britain.

your part in changing politics for good.

The Brexit Party plans a Brexit Booster

of investment in our regions.



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POLITICAL REFORM

Our politics is broken. Leaving the anti-democratic European Union will be the first big step in taking back political control. We also need to take on the entrenched power of the Westminster establishment and the two-party political system that serves only itself.

The Brexit Party's proposals for far-reaching political reform will include:

- Changing the electoral system to ensure Parliament is more representative of the people.
- Challenging the power of the unelected House of Lords.
- Cleaning up the easily abused system of postal votes on demand.
- Making the civil service serve the public.
- Reforming the politically biased BBC's self-serving TV licence fee.

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CHAIRMAN'S LETTER

by BREXIT PARTY CHAIRMAN
RICHARD TICE

It has been quite a busy few weeks since we launched the Brexit Party in mid-April. Within six weeks we won the European elections, securing 50 per cent more votes than our nearest rival. Thank you for all your hard work and support that helped us achieve this extraordinary feat.

We are now the joint largest party in the European Parliament with 29 MEPs - yet along with our other MEPs, I want to be fired as soon as possible! Having spent just 24 hours in Brussels, I was sickened by the waste, the extravagance and the inefficiency of the whole edifice.

Shortly after the European elections I went to 10 Downing Street with Nigel Farage to demand that our Brexit Party MEPs be given a seat in any negotiations with the EU. It is time our side was represented by people who believe in Brexit!

Winning the EU elections was always just Phase One for the Brexit Party. Two weeks later, we came within a whisker of winning the Peterborough by-election, losing by just 683 votes.

Now it's full steam ahead for a General Election, which could be called at any moment. This is a huge task, starting from scratch, but we will be ready. We are now building our teams, our infrastructure and our activist base, with great technology at the centre of everything.

Don't hesitate to sign up as a Registered Supporter at www. thebrexitparty.org and get involved in our campaigns - or apply to join our growing staff at careers@thebrexitparty.org.

Of course we also need great candidates! We have been very busy reviewing around 3,000 candidate applications so far. As with our MEP candidates, we are delighted by the high quality of applicants; successful people who have life experience, wisdom and have achieved real things. To Change Politics for Good, it is essential to improve the calibre of people going into public life.

Our aim is to appoint more than 600 candidates by late July. If you still want to apply then please do.

As you may know, I come from the world of business, having led small and medium sized companies as well as a billion-pound multinational group. Frankly if the country was run like a well-managed company, with the hard-working people who make it run properly rewarded and represented, we would all be in a much better place.

The opportunities are huge for our country in a post-Brexit open world. We have announced our Big Vision, and our Brexit Booster Plan. This would be the biggest investment programme in our regions since the Second World War.

Over the next few years the Brexit Booster Plan could generate strong growth and tens of thousands of good jobs in the regions. It would create road and rail improvements that improve people's daily lives. As well as physical infrastructure, the Brexit Party would invest in faster, cheaper broadband and Wi-Fi access for all.

With the right leadership and your continued support, we can achieve great things together.

Kind regards,

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Richard Tice

NOW IT'S REMAINER LABOUR vs THE BREXIT PARTY

In June's Peterborough by-election, the eight-week-old Brexit Party came very close to unseating the Labour Party and electing our first Westminster MP in our 201st target seat. That election showed politics is no longer about Left v Right. It highlighted a stark message for Leave voters backing both major old parties.



Labour held Peterborough with 31 per cent of the vote (down 17 per cent), narrowly ahead of the Brexit Party on 30 per cent - a majority of just 683. The Conservatives trailed in third on 21 per cent.

The election showed that, in many marginal seats, the real contest now is between an increasingly Remainer Labour Party and the Brexit Party. Labour scraped home on this occasion largely because 7000 traditional Tory voters chose to stay loyal, despite the Conservatives being in chaos.

Such Tory voters are now faced with a dilemma. Vote Conservative, and they may well get Jeremy Corbyn's Labour. Vote Conservative, and risk getting a second referendum. Vote Tory, and say goodbye to a clean-break Brexit.

The best way out of that dilemma is to vote for the Brexit Party - the party best-placed to take on Labour in Leave seats such as Peterborough.

VOTE LABOUR GET REMAIN

Peterborough is yet another Leave-voting Labour seat represented by a Remainer MP. This divide reflects how Labour has increasingly become a party of the metropolitan middle classes and abandoned working-class Corbyn's Labour is now a Remainer party in all but name. It wants Britain to stay subject to EU rules in a customs' union - and comes ever-closer to demanding a second referendum in order to overturn Brexit. In the words of the unelected Lord Adonis, a failed Labour candidate in the European elections: 'If you're a Brexiteer, I hope you won't vote for the Labour Party, because the Labour Party is moving increasingly against Brexit...if you want to stop Brexit, you should vote Labour.' In short, Leavers are not welcome in the Labour Party. For once perhaps we should take conniving politicians at their word. If you want Brexit and democracy vote for the Brexit Party.

UNION ACTIVIST

BARRED FOR BACKING BREXIT

The Fire Brigades Union (FBU) has suspended leading member Paul Embery from its national executive

– for speaking at the 'Leave, Means Leave'

'Leave Means Leave' rally outside parliament on March 29th.

'I wanted to take the opportunity, as someone from the left and the trade union movement, to speak to thousands of working-class voters, many of whom had never been on a demo before, to talk about defending democracy and Brexit from a left perspective,' Embery told the website Spiked.

For criticising the pro-Remain outlook of some FBU leaders.

Embery - who has spent 20 years fighting for firefighters – was forced to stand down from the union's executive and barred from office for two years. Firefighters and other trade union members have taken to social media to condemn the decision and support free speech on Brexit.

Trade union leaders like to claim they are proudly independent. Now it seems some have become the militant wing of the Remainer establishment.



The biggest threat to Brexit today comes from a powerful caucus of Oxbridge Remainers, who dominate Parliament, Whitehall, much of the media and organisations like the CBI.

They believe in the EU with religious zeal, but mistrust the public and are instinctively sceptical of democracy. They are out to undermine the referendum result by their disingenuous refusal to contemplate 'no deal'.

For forty years they have colluded in the transfer of power to unelected EU presidents, apparatchiks and bureaucrats.

Twenty years ago they assured us, the UK public, that we must join the Euro – which would have resulted in a loss of democratic control over budgets and interest rates.

A similar Oxbridge faction - David Cameron, George Osborne, Will Straw and Peter Mandelson ran the Remain campaign in the 2016 referendum.

Today, the team in charge of Brexit negotiations is entirely composed of Oxbridge Remainers - 'deputy PM' David Lidington, chief of staff Gavin Barwell, chief negotiator Ollie Robbins and Attorney General Geoffrey Cox.

The wider cabinet, the Labour Party and Lib Dems - and even the Corbynista pressure group Momentum - are also dominated by these elites.

But true believers in democracy know that the public is highly intelligent. Democratic systems have produced far more prosperity and freedom than any alternatives, since the voting public have better judgement than the inhabitants of ivory towers or Westminster bubbles.

Apologists for the EU know they are doomed to lose any argument about democracy.

So they have been forced to rely on bogus economic scare stories - manufacturers would leave the UK if we failed to join the Euro (they didn't) and there would be an IMMEDIATE recession after a Leave vote (there wasn't).

Having lost the economic arguments, the desperate elites are now issuing dire warnings of catastrophes and plagues of locusts if we dare to leave the EU without a deal.

A deal at all costs is the kiss of death for Brexit, of course, since it transfers all negotiating power to the EU. It would mean the UK having to accept whatever terms are offered.

In reality, 'no deal' is infinitely superior to any deal that is on the table - or is likely to be.

No deal means we're £39 billion better off on day one (November 1st 2019).

No deal means the UK immediately regains control of its fishing waters, boosting coastal communities and the entire economy.

No deal means that taxes, usually called tariffs, can be eliminated on imports from non-EU countries - for example, rice, bananas, oranges, Aussie wine and children's clothes - which will cut prices and boost living standards.

In fact, no deal really creates the scope for thousands of mini deals, which can be achieved by government negotiators, individuals and companies before or after October 31st. The admirable Jean-Marc Puissesseau, head of Calais ports, has refuted scare stories about road blockages: trucks will pass as they do today, he says and 'there will be no extra checks'.

Ryanair, which previously warned that planes might not fly in the event of no deal now says 'that is no longer a risk'. British Airways agrees.

And Wetherspoon has replaced French brandy and sparkling wine with alternatives from the US, Australia and the UK - and we've arranged for Swedish Kopparberg cider to be produced in Somerset, 'just in case'.

Ironically the biggest danger is the prevalent myth, worryingly shared by some Brexiteers, that we need a giant, overarching deal with the EU, orchestrated by civil servants, MPs and lawyers.

That approach is likely to create a legal and bureaucratic quagmire from which we'll never escape. Instead of spending years struggling to negotiate a giant deal, let's leave now without a deal.

We can take advantage of the immediate, tangible benefits of Brexit and let individuals, companies and government departments crash on with reaching pragmatic day-to-day arrangements which oil the wheels of trade - and create good relations with our neighbours.

Forget the chimera of a Big Deal, organised by Big Brother, and leave it to people like Monsieur Puissesseau who know how to make things happen. Millions of small steps are the path to winning an Olympic marathon or a tennis grand slam - and that's how trade and democracy work too.





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