BREXIT
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Hasn’t Brexit already happened? Britain voted to leave the European Union in 2016, but we haven’t left yet. The politicians who supported this ‘Brexit’ have made a terrible mess of it. They thought it would be easy – but it isn’t. Many people are now asking whether Brexit is still a good idea.

What’s wrong with Brexit?
● Jobs at risk. British industry has been in decline since Margaret Thatcher destroyed so much of it in the 1980s. But Brexit makes it much worse. Many of our communities still depend on selling to Europe. What will we do if we can’t get a good deal?
● Race to the bottom. Brexit politicians like Boris Johnson want to cut workers’ wages and rights. They plan to make workers pay so big corporations can make more profits, and the super-rich can use Britain as a tax haven.
● Wrecking the NHS. People come from all over Europe and the world to keep the NHS running. When politicians promise to cut immigration, they end up sending away nurses and doctors.

3 STEPS TO CHANGE BRITAIN

1. KICK THE TORIES OUT
2. GIVE THE PEOPLE A FINAL SAY ON BREXIT
3. GET A NEW GOVERNMENT THAT WORKS FOR THE MANY
THE RICHEST 5%  THE REST OF US

The richest 5% of people in Britain own almost half the country’s wealth. The rich get richer while the average person is poorer today than they were ten years ago. Millions of us struggle to afford a place to live and are even forced to turn to food banks to eat.

Brexit will do nothing to fix the real problems people in Britain are struggling with. In fact it’s likely to make things worse by putting jobs at risk and making it easier to cut wages.

that our health service needs. We end up losing all kinds of skills, experiences, relationships and friendships that make us richer in more ways than one. Cutting ourselves off from Europe will also make it harder to get vital medicines like insulin.

Hatred and division. Politicians are using Brexit as a way to divide us against each other based on where we come from, stoking up hate and racism. We want to keep our communities united and welcoming for all.

But we already had the referendum about Europe? Democracy means we’re allowed to change our mind when the facts change. It’s now clear that the Tory government has made a dog’s dinner of the Brexit deal.

We are heading for a muddle, half-in, half-out of the EU. We’d still have to follow Europe’s rules, but won’t have a say on them.

We think the most democratic option is for the whole country to get a vote on the final Brexit deal. It’s only fair.
TAKING BACK CONTROL

The Brexit politicians said that voting to leave Europe would let us ‘take back control’.

But it’s not Europe that cut our wages. It’s not Europe that closed our factories. It’s not Europe that is squeezing our schools and hospitals.

Ten years ago, the political establishment spent billions of pounds on bailing out the banks. We are still paying those debts. They blamed the crisis on too much spending, and let the bankers off the hook.

The government calls this ‘austerity’. It means making us all pay the price for a crisis we did not cause.

So to really take back control, we need to tackle the real culprits: big business, the super-rich, the bankers and politicians.

There is enough money for everyone to live a decent life, if the richest pay their fair share.

OUR ALTERNATIVE

● **Higher wages** – increase the minimum wage and bring in guaranteed hours
● **Investment** in our communities and services, not cuts
● **Build unions, not borders** – don’t end free movement, fight for better pay for all
● **A more equal society** – make the rich and tax-dodging corporations pay their fair share
● Trains, electric, gas and health **owned by us all**, not rip-off private companies
Millions of people in Britain can’t afford a decent place to live. This is because governments stopped building council houses. They’ve sold off the houses we need and let landlords cash in.

Now we’re stuck paying rip-off rents for ever-smaller homes.

The Brexit campaign pinned the blame on immigrants for the housing crisis. But the truth is that this is a crisis made in Westminster.

There’s only one way to solve it: we need to build millions of houses. That will create enough space for everyone, reduce prices and create good jobs in modern, green construction.

The Tories want us to turn on each other, neighbour against neighbour. But we need to work together, wherever we are from, to demand decent homes, public services, equality and real democracy.

DEMAND THE FINAL SAY ON BREXIT

Theresa May has no right to sign away our rights in negotiations behind closed doors in Brussels. We demand the right to a final say for the people on Brexit. Let us decide on our futures.

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