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Issues

What We Stand For

These are anxious and troubled times. As crisis follows crisis, our politicians do nothing in the face of dangers rearing up all around us.

Taxes and Government debt rise. Energy and transport costs soar. Unemployment is too high. The NHS and state education strain under a population increase of 4 million since 2001.

Another wave of uncontrolled immigration comes from the EU (this time Bulgaria and Romania). Yet the political class tells us the EU is good for the UK.

A gulf has opened between the ruling elite and the public. Because they must all follow Brussels diktats, each of the establishment main parties is now so similar voters have no real choice.

The EU controls Immigration, Business and Employment, Financial Services, Fishing, Farming, Energy and Trade. It seeks now to control Law and Order, Foreign Affairs and Tax. Only outside the EU can we start to solve the problems our country faces.

Return Power to the UK



- A vote for UKIP is a vote to leave the EU and recover power over our national life.
- Free trade, but not political union, with our European neighbours. We are the EU's largest export market: they depend on us for jobs not the other way around.
- Binding local and national referenda, at the public's request, on major issues.

Protect Our Borders



- Regain control of our borders and of immigration only possible by leaving the EU.
- Immigrants must financially support themselves and their dependents for 5 years. This means private health insurance (except emergency medical care), private education and private housing they should pay into the pot before they take out of it.
- A points-based visa system and time-limited work permits.
- Proof of private health insurance must be a precondition for immigrants and tourists to enter the UK.

Rebuild Prosperity



- Save £55m a day in membership fees by leaving the EU and give British workers first crack at the 800,000 jobs we currently advertise to EU workers.
- No tax on the minimum wage.
- Enrol unemployed welfare claimants onto community schemes or retraining workfare programmes.
- Scrap HS2, all green taxes and wind turbine subsidies.
- Develop shale gas to reduce energy bills and free us from dependence on foreign oil and gas
- place the tax revenues into a British Sovereign Wealth Fund.

- UKIP will abolish inheritance tax. Inheritance tax brings in under £4bn less than a third of what we spend on foreign aid. The super-rich avoid it, while modest property owners get caught by it. It hits people during a time of grief and UKIP will budget in its 2015 spending plans to completely abolish this unfair death tax.
- Make cuts to foreign aid that are real and rigorous.

Safeguard Against Crime



- No cuts to front line policing.
- Make sentences mean what they say.
- No votes for prisoners that's what losing your liberty means.
- Prevent foreign criminals entering the UK by re-introducing border controls that the EU forced us to abandon.
- Scrap the European Arrest Warrant, which sends British citizens to foreign jails without evidence, just to answer questions replace it with a proper extradition system.
- Remove the UK from the jurisdiction of the European Court of Human Rights.

Care And Support For All



- Open GP surgeries in the evening, for full-time workers, where there is demand.
- Locally-elected County Health Boards to inspect hospitals to avoid another Stafford Hospital crisis.
- Prioritise social housing for people whose parents and grandparents were born locally.
- Allow the creation of new grammar schools.
- Make welfare a safety net for the needy, not a bed for the lazy. Benefits only available to those who have lived here for over 5 years.

Free Speech and Democracy



- No to Political Correctness it stifles free speech.
- The law of the land must apply to us all. We oppose any other system of law.
- Teach children positive messages and pride in their country. We want to unite through better integration.

UKIP is a patriotic party that believes in putting Britain first. Only UKIP will return self-government to the British people.