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## A SAFER OPERATION

Despite the anti-British and democracy doom and gloom mongers doing their worst to try to decry the benefits of leaving the EU, good news about the benefits of Brexit keep proving them wrong.

**Reported in** the Daily Telegraph on the 18th July 2016, were the comments made by Clare Marx who is the president of the Royal College of Surgeons. She urged health bosses to "seize the moment" and toughen up language tests for those entering the UK medical profession. She also said that abandoning EU working time rules would also improve patient safety by allowing surgeons to undergo hours of extra training.

**She also said** that shaking off EU regulations may ensure higher standards of surgical equipment. The Telegraph reported that although the college remained neutral during the referendum campaign, its President said that following the result to leave the EU, the NHS should use Brexit to reform regulations that get in the way of safe care.

**Clare Marx** went on to say: "We do language testing but we don't do medical language testing. That language test is often just simply talking about everyday life". She went on to warn the EU 'Working Time Directive' is a source of acute frustration for surgeons. Many believe the limits it places on shift patterns prevent them performing enough procedures to become fully competent. Doctors have become progressively anxious because they are not getting enough hours. She also said testing in the EU is not as stringent as the UK required.

**By leaving the EU** Britain will not only be free and democratic again, it will be healthier too as Britain, not the EU, make the rules.

## FRENCH FISHING FEARS

Britain voting to leave the EU has created panic for French fishermen, they fear the Brexit vote could wreck their industry if they are denied access to British territorial waters when we leave.

**There was** a complaint from the National French Fisheries Committee that larger vessels who use British territorial waters could be deprived of up to 80% of the catch. Under EU rules, British boats are not allowed any closer than 12 miles from France, French boats can fish up to 6 miles from British shores.

**The EU's** Common Fisheries Policy has, over the 43 years of membership, destroyed the British fishing industry and what once was one of the worlds largest and richest fishing fleets. Most of the remaining British fishermen voted to leave the EU, they are now hoping that the leave negotiations will improve their quotas.

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## WHAT NOW FOR THE FUTURE OF UKIP?

BY DEREK BENNETT

It is a strange irony that despite the leadership of the Labour, Conservative and the Liberal Democrat parties, who all campaigned for a 'Remain' vote in the June 23rd referendum, it is their parties that will most probably benefit the most from leaving the EU.

**Ever since** that infamous day in January 1973 when Britain joined, what we then called the Common Market, we began a steady downward slide as bit by bit, treaty by treaty, our democracy and right to govern ourselves was slowly removed with the full consent of those three political parties - they were engineering their own, and the demise of our nation. Then in 1993 along came a tiny band of dedicated souls with the aim of using political means to stop this betrayal - UKIP was born.

**As the other** parties were destroying their right to govern, UKIP was campaigning, in effect, to destroy itself by taking Britain out of the EU. Now that aim has been partially achieved, which will be complete once Article 50 of the Lisbon Treaty has been enacted and all the withdrawal negotiation are completed, the old three parties can return to being true Tories, Labour and Liberal Democrats when they cease to having to comply with the European Union and being EU administrators and return to being true parties of Government.

**Over the years** from coming into existence, UKIP has grown in size and stature. It began as a single issue party and developed into a political party with serious intent, policies and a whole raft of elected MEPs, councillors, Lords and although just one MP, it is still a powerful presence in all elections. So what is the future of UKIP now its primary goal has come to fruition?

**One thing is for certain**, UKIP is not going away, too many people have invested too much time, money and effort into the party over the years. Those of us who have stood and campaigned for UKIP can never go back to the political parties who were willing to see Britain subsumed fully into a Euro superstate - how can we return to parties who were prepared to commit, what can only be described as treason? How can they ever be trusted with the security and best



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interests of the British people again? For those of us who originally joined UKIP with the sole aim of getting us out of the EU have now, along with our party, developed into political activists with the serious aim of improving Britain and the lives of the people in the UK - our single issue days are long gone and we see ourselves as a fully fledged political party and here to stay.

**The thing now** is will the voters still look to UKIP in growing numbers, as has been the case over the life of the party, or will they see us as a party that has served its purpose? At the time I began working on this article a lot has happened, Andrea Leadsom quit as a challenger for the Tory leadership, David Cameron has gone and Theresa May is now our PM. She also looks to be a no nonsense leader too, she wasted little time sacking some such as George Osborne and bringing in a new team, including Boris Johnson in the surprise job as Foreign Minister.

**The immediate** reaction when Andrea Leadsom resigned and it was certain Theresa May was to take over, was a rapid influx of new members in UKIP, over 1000 people joined UKIP in 24 hours. This bodes well for UKIP as many obviously do not trust our new PM. UKIP's job now is to not only keep the pressure on to ensure we leave the EU with the sort of deal we, as a newly independent nation which is a major power in the world, are not sold out with a poor deal. We also have to keep the pressure on the troubled Labour Party which is struggling to cope with the democratic decision of over 17 million 'Leave' voters. UKIP can now look to the possibility of taking many Labour votes and remaining a serious force in British politics.

**When people ask** what now for the future of UKIP after the referendum is won, the answer is we are here to stay.

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## WHAT NEXT?

BY JOHN PETLEY

It is to be hoped that our new Prime Minister, Mrs May, will be remembered above all as the person who achieved a successful Brexit. Although she campaigned for remain, she has been adamant ever since announcing her decision to run for the leadership that “Brexit means Brexit”. The biggest concern with that statement, however, is whether she or the new trio of Brexiteer ministers she has appointed to lead the negotiations fully appreciate the complexity of the task which lies ahead.

**Right from the start** of the campaign, the Achilles heel of the official leave campaign was its lack of a clear exit strategy, a problem they bequeathed to Boris Johnson, Liam Fox and David Davis who are preparing the ground for the forthcoming negotiations. Recognising the concerns about immigration, including free movement of people from the EU, vote.leave shied away from any commitment to remain within the single market by re-joining the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) and thus continuing to avail ourselves of the European Economic Area (EEA) agreement.

**This is because** membership of the single market means adhering to the four “freedoms”, including the widely-disliked freedom of movement of people. There is, however, more scope to apply restrictions than many people realise. Liechtenstein has applied articles 112 and 113 of the EEA agreement, which allow non-EU countries unilaterally to take “appropriate measures” if free movement of people may cause serious economic, societal or environmental difficulties.

**This is a much** better option for us than the “emergency brake” negotiated by David Cameron earlier this year. That would have required the agreement of the other member states and would have only restricted the benefit entitlement of future migrants rather than their actual numbers.

**Of course,** this option falls far short of the desire of some Brexit supporters for still greater curbs on migration. However, at least as a stopgap, it may be the best route to a smooth divorce, preserving our trading links with the EU and in particular, enabling us to avoid the non-tariff barriers we might otherwise face. It is certainly not an ideal long-term relationship

between an independent UK and the EU. On that, all Brexiteers are agreed.

**Whether our new PM** and her Brexit team will pursue this route or go for something more radical but potentially more destabilising remains to be seen, but Brexit will be a long and complicated process. The idea that all the links can be severed and independence achieved in the space of just a few months is pie in the sky.

**To take one example,** the EU has agreed an overall quota for beef imports covering all 28 member states. How much of that quota should an independent UK agree to take? The protectionist

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French would like us to take as much as possible to safeguard their own farmers. Naturally, our own farmers won't be

too keen on this. It could take months just to address this one contentious issue.

**Another potential concern** about the EEA route is that, rather than being a halfway house to a full-blown Brexit, it could end up being a holding position from which we are sneaked back in to the EU via the back door.

**The “Five Presidents’ Plan”** for closer Eurozone integration and a two-speed EU has not gone away, even though it has been put on ice for several months now. It is possible that the EU may seek to abolish the EEA and replace it with an offer to non-EU countries of second-class membership which exempts countries from joining the Euro. However, in exchange for voting rights on non-Eurozone related legislation (which would correspond more or less to the current EEA-relevant legislation), those countries might find themselves sucked in to a political project they voted not to join or - in the case of the UK - to leave.

**This is not acceptable,** but unless leavers, including the new PM, are fully committed to seeing us through and beyond EEA/EFTA to full withdrawal, this is potentially a bigger threat than the current calls for a second referendum which both the Government and the Foreign Office have stressed they will ignore. “This was a once in a generation vote and, as the Prime Minister has said, the decision must be respected” said a Foreign Office spokesman recently.

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**What Next continued:**

**There is also another** potentially even more serious issue which needs to be addressed. Besides needing a road map to take our country out of the EU, we need to take the EU out of our countrymen, especially our young people.

**Those of us** who have campaigned for withdrawal for many years recognised that on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, some voters who dislike the EU may have been affected by Project Fear” and voted to “hold on to nurse for fear of something worse.” This, however, is a world apart from the pictures we have seen of young people painting their faces in the colours of the EU flag and proclaiming their love for this odious institution. On 24<sup>th</sup> June, when the result was announced, I’ll admit, I cried for joy yet one newspaper report suggested that half the 18-24-year old voters either cried or felt like crying with sadness. How could they?

**“Older voters** have stolen our future!” they complained. That’s not true. Older voters have finally lanced the boil of EU membership rather than bequeathing it to the next generation. Our young people will be the main beneficiaries of Brexit. Unfortunately, many of them, so we are told, do not see it this way.

**Perhaps as they get older**, they will fall out of love with the EU. When they realise that less inward migration will make it easier for them to get a job or buy a house, they might come to appreciate the benefits of Brexit. Maybe when emotions have calmed down, a few veteran inter-railers of the 1960s will gently take their young friends to one side and tell them about the great fun they had travelling round Europe in those days well before we joined the EU. The young will also be the principal financial beneficiaries as our freedom to make our own trading arrangements with other countries begins to yield its economic rewards in the years to come.

**There are**, of course, some noble exceptions to the general pro-EU stance of

younger voters. If 75% of those 18-24 year olds who actually voted supported remain, this means 25%, or 1 in 4, didn’t. We must hope that this 25% will provide the future leadership for the country. They are nonetheless a minority among their peers and it is clear that some young people’s affections for the EU go deeper than a love of overseas travel. 55% of young people questioned in one survey said they would miss EU symbols such as the EU flag, while some 10% said they were more likely to relocate abroad as a result of Brexit.

**How can we** de-programme them? Especially when they are fed a diet of pro-EU propaganda at school, aided and abetted by the 70% of teachers who supported remaining in the EU. Furthermore, they have very little knowledge of British history. Knowledge and understanding of how our democracy has evolved, for example, is largely unknown territory.

**A lack of knowledge** of our history is not the only problem which needs addressing. Today’s youngsters have sometimes been referred to as “Generation Snowflake” because of their extreme emotional reactions to the expression of ideas that they believe to be offensive or emotionally challenging.

**When provided** with a balanced argument for withdrawal, thankfully some students have reconsidered their opinions, but now the referendum is behind us, there will be fewer opportunities to go into our schools to present the “leave” case in debates. Of course, when we leave the EU, the supply of EU-funded propaganda might dry up, but we cannot guarantee this.

**There are no easy answers** to these problems, but we cannot afford to ignore them. Recently, Switzerland finally abandoned its EU membership application. Thomas Minder, a counsellor for Schaffhausen state, said that in Switzerland, only ‘a few lunatics’ want to join the EU now. Until we reach this point in the UK, we cannot regard our mission as complete

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BY EDWARD SPALTON

Since the referendum result, we have been holding informal discussions with friends and allies from the political spectrum about the best way to keep pressure on the government to deliver its BREXIT promise.

**In the midst** of such discussions on 11 July, we heard that that Mrs Leadsom had withdrawn from the Conservative leadership election and that Mrs. May would therefore be the new Prime Minister – and very much more quickly than expected.

**Whilst many campaigners** would have preferred a Brexit campaigner, Mrs May has reasserted her determination to deliver BREXIT and she now effectively has another two months to hasten the process. We intend to give her every encouragement in that.

**Mr. Cameron** was so confident of a “Remain” vote that he had forbidden the civil service to make any “Plan B” for leaving. So it would be ridiculous to urge the government into prematurely starting negotiations before it has had time to formulate its policy and negotiating strategy.

**There is a period** now when the Independence Movement has an opportunity to make its views known to those in authority before negotiations with the EU start. This has come rather sooner and more urgently than we expected.

**We have to bear** in mind the parameters under which the decisions will be made and to be realistic. In the House of Commons roughly half the Conservative party, the DUP and the Labour rebels were for BREXIT. The other half of the Conservative party and everybody else was either pro EU or at least EU-acquiescent – an overwhelmingly Europhile House. The House of Lords is even more solidly ( and rather defiantly) Europhile.

**So the delivery** of BREXIT will largely depend on the discipline of the Conservative party in keeping its Europhile MPs to its policy of leaving the EU. Some people have demanded a general election but we now have fixed term parliaments. This one has nearly four years to run – an adequate time for the government to deliver its promise and to have an independence settlement in place, up and running by the time of the next general election. We in CIB want to do everything to ensure that this is what happens and that the terms are the most favourable possible from a trade point of view whilst establishing unequivocally that our country is definitively, irrevocably independent from the EU project.

**Shouting slogans** will not do it. We have to focus our efforts in a disciplined way and apply them to the situation as it exists. This we are trying to do to the best effect but it is going to take some more time to establish a common general approach amongst the diverse Independence Movement.

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