

“Give us a Better Future”



- Brussels Bureaucracy
- Soaring Crime Figures
- Endless Documentation
- Rampant Regulations
- Daft EU Directives
- Unlimited EU Immigration
- Loss of Liberties
- Overcrowded Cities
- Pensioner Poverty
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- Gridlocked City Centres
- Social Breakdown
- Political Correctness
- Smarmy Politicians
- Rail Chaos
- Cash-Strapped Public Services
- Drugs Gangs
- Extra EU Taxes



**Free Britain
from
Political Failure**



During 2004 the *UK Independence Party*, a political party which most people had never heard of a year or two ago, started taking some **giant strides on the British political scene:**

- ★ *In June they knocked the Liberal Democrats into fourth place nationally in the European elections.*
- ★ *In September they beat the Conservatives in the Hartlepool Parliamentary by-election.*
- ★ *And then in November in the referendum on English regionalisation they hammered the Labour Party in its North Eastern political heartland.*

Free to Choose

The *UK Independence Party* is a new political party started by ordinary people who have left the Labour Conservative and Liberal Democrats parties behind. Unlike them, UKIP believes in independence from the European Union.

Free trade with the other countries of Europe is fine, as is free travel between us. But we want Britain to have nothing to do with the Brussels bureaucracy, with EU taxes, or with the sham European parliament in Strasbourg. In other words UKIP believes

Europe should be our allies not our masters.

And opinion polls continue to show that this is exactly what most British people want – which explains why support for the UK Independence Party just keeps on growing.

Along with freedom from the EU, this little booklet is designed to tell you about a few more of the freedoms which UKIP will bring you. If after reading it you would like further information, please don't hesitate to contact us (see details back page).



1. Freedom from the European Union



Until science is able to show that they are completely safe, a UKIP government in Westminster would call a halt to the growing of all GM crops... and we will be breaking European Union rules in doing so.

But that's just the point, we no longer run our own affairs. For nearly a thousand years Britain was an independent country. Then the politicians started surrendering to Brussels. In 1973 they told us that this 'European project' was just about free trade and free travel. Now thirty years down the line, just look at how far things have gone...

Over 70% of the new laws that come out of Westminster now start their lives in Brussels – including those on GM crops. We are losing British Parliamentary control over everything from employment policies to the environment, and from transport to trade.

And it's not cheap either. Some £30 million pounds a day now goes from the UK to the European Union, to support all their grand schemes, their bureaucrats, and their innumerable fraudsters. Needless to say, this all comes out of the taxes we pay!

And now they want us to accept their new *European Constitution*, their *EU identity cards* and their Brussels controlled *Euro* in place of the *Pound*.

There is no doubt that we would be better off outside the European Union. Switzerland and Norway are free of the EU, and their people are amongst the richest in the world. Free trade and free travel do not require a new superstate ruled from Brussels. A UKIP government would make the UK an independent country once again. The best people to run Britain are the British.



2. The Freedom Bonus –

A chance to help the elderly



We all know what happens at election time, the three main parties all promise us the earth, and then go on to insist that they won't have to put up your taxes to pay for it. And what happens when they get into power? Well they put up taxes anyway, and the services just go on declining.

UKIP however can make you a promise that we are perfectly capable of keeping. As mentioned already, some **£30 million a day** of our taxes goes to the EU bureaucrats in Brussels. So when UKIP gets Britain out of the European Union we can stop that payment dead. In other words national independence will provide the UK with a massive '*Independence Dividend*' - a freedom bonus of **£30 million a day**.

But there are always innumerable calls upon government funds and many worthy requests for increased expenditure. UKIP policy however is that this freedom bonus should be used to help the less well off in our society, and in particular it should be targeted at state pensioners. State pensions have consistently failed to keep up with wage inflation over the course of the last two decades. *So on the day we regain our national independence, state pensions will be increased by £25 a week for every pensioner in the land.*



A UKIP administration will aim to reduce government expenditure generally, and so cut the taxes which we all have to pay. At this stage though UKIP will not make any promises which it may not be able to honour later on. But this Independence Dividend is there for the taking, and our promised increase for the nation's pensioners, when we leave the European Union, is absolute and unequivocal.

3. Freedom from Crime



Crime and criminality are out of control in modern Britain. This is the message of the statistics, and it reflects the everyday experiences of ordinary people. It is intolerable that over the decades, governments of all the main political parties have allowed the situation to become so bad.

The prison population has grown from just 10,000 during World War Two, to over 70,000 now.

but even so...

- ★ *In the United Kingdom in 2003, ten times as many crimes were committed as in 1953.*
- ★ *In 1963 there were just 148 murders in the whole of England and Wales. During the first eight months of 2002, there were 135 murders in the London area alone.*
- ★ *In 1964 there were 72,000 burglaries nationwide, but by 2004 this figure had risen more than five-fold to 402,000.*

Way back in 1921, the average police officer was called upon to deal with just **two** crimes a year. By 2002/3 the number of policemen had more than doubled, but each policeman now had to deal with an average of **forty-four** crimes a year.

Crime is not caused by poverty or unemployment. Both of these social ills were widespread in the 1930s, but crime rates were at record lows. Nor do drugs commit crimes, people do. The cause of any crime is a criminal.

One of the most important jobs of government is to protect people so that they can go about their lawful business free of the fear of crime. To achieve this today, we need to reduce criminality to the much lower levels that the British people have achieved in the past. A UKIP government will do whatever is necessary to achieve this.



4. Freedom from Bureaucratic Politicians



As a nation we are overworked and over-governed. Today's politicians see the people as production units in a company called Great Britain PLC, and they expect us to do just what they the directors want. They never now talk of freedom, and they have almost forgotten what democracy means. *The politicians have betrayed the people's trust.*

- ★ *They take a steadily increasing proportion of our money in taxes, so we have to work even harder to earn a living wage.*
- ★ *They impose ever increasing reams of legislation on companies and businesses, and ever more tightly defined targets and objectives on our schools and hospitals.*
- ★ *They pay unelected advisers to apply 'spin' to whatever they tell us, because they do not trust us the voters with the truth.*
- ★ *With identity cards, CCTV, and DNA testing, government agencies will soon be able to keep tabs on everybody, not just the criminals.*

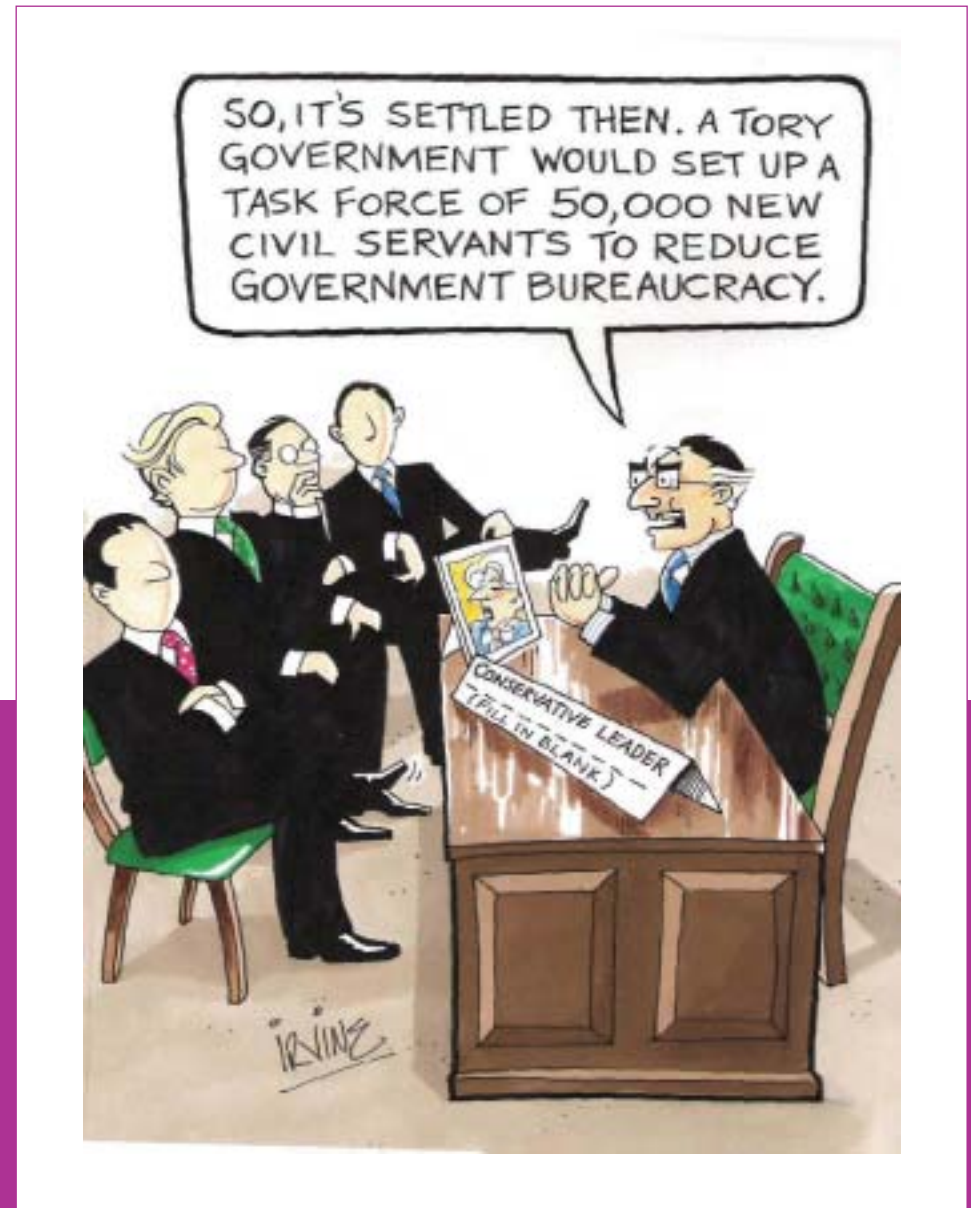
UKIP would reverse all this, because we believe that government should be there to serve the people, and not the other way round.

We will remove almost all the restrictive legislation from businesses with fewer than twenty employees, and most of the government targets from public services.

What's more, we will borrow the best democratic ideas from abroad.

From Switzerland, the process whereby ordinary voters have the right to set up referendums on national policy issues. And from the United States, the right of local voters to directly elect members of School management Boards, NHS Trusts, and Local Police Authorities.

UKIP believes power should lie with the people, not with the politicians.



5. Freedom from Overcrowding



The UK population at sixty million is higher than ever before. We live on a small island. Our towns and cities are overcrowded, our roads clogged up, and our railways are grinding to a halt. Hospitals and the Social Services cannot cope, and new housing estates are covering the countryside. Last year the government allowed into the UK an extra two hundred thousand people, but mass immigration is the last thing Britain needs at present.

The UK Independence Party will put an end to mass immigration. In particular, there will be no more entry for economic migrants. Britain is full up, and an immigrant's country of origin almost always needs its skilled people far more than we do.

Under UKIP, immigrants claiming political asylum will have their cases fully resolved within a fortnight of their arrival, rather than having to endure months or even years of uncertainty. Those allowed to stay will undergo a programme of training for integration into British society. Unsuccessful claimants will be sent home regardless of race, religion, or country of origin. As a result of all this, long-stay immigrant camps and hostels will be closed down.

Illegal entrants will be sent home regardless of race, religion, or country of origin.

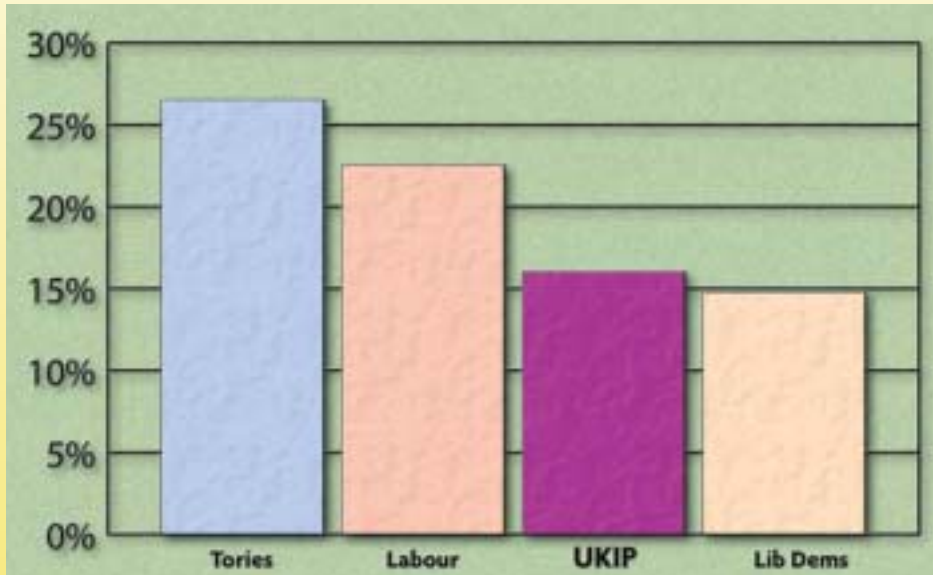
Outside the European Union, Britain will again be free once again to control its own borders.



*Every nation has a responsibility to help the needy,
but every government's **first** responsibility is to its own people.
A UKIP government would put the interests of the British people first.*



The UK Independence Party has come from nowhere to third place and is still climbing fast!



Percentage results of the European elections in June 2004

In the upcoming Elections:

The UK Independence Party

Your Vote

Your Country

Your chance to show you want to keep it that way

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