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Independence
Party



*Independence. Freedom. Strength.
Together we can govern ourselves.*

Your brief guide to Britain's
fourth-largest political party,
the party of freedom.

The UK Independence Party.



With 75% of UK laws coming from Brussels, the EU is now at the centre of everything the British government does. Trade, post office closures, VAT, fuel taxes, immigration, policing and farming are all controlled by the EU.

With the EU Reform Treaty, we'll get an EU foreign minister and diplomatic service, relegating the UK to the level of Luxembourg on the world stage.

- The total economic cost of being in the EU is equivalent to £873 per person, per year.**
- The two richest countries in Europe - Norway and Switzerland - aren't even in the EU.**



It's time to leave the EU and put Britain back on the map, trading freely across the globe.



We all feel we're paying too much tax, but most of us fear that tax cuts could lead to cuts in services like police, schools and hospitals.

Our tax system is the 2nd most complicated in the world. With the money saved from slashing quangos, leaving the EU and making tax simpler, we can cut taxes without hurting services.

UKIP propose a 'Flat Tax' - a single low rate of tax for all that applies only to anything you earn over £10,000 per year.

- Flat tax could save you £1,000 per year.
- Scrap Inheritance Tax, the tax on death.
- No tax on minimum wage.



UKIP - The best prescription for the NHS

We don't train enough doctors and nurses in the UK, then rely on hiring foreign staff to work in British hospitals. This robs third-world countries of essential lifesavers. Yet many UK doctors go abroad to earn a better wage.

Our government pumps more money into the NHS year on year, but extra bureaucracy drains that money away. Put nurse training back in hospitals, not university classrooms.

- Train enough UK doctors.
- Fund the NHS for treating patients.
- Locally-run, cleaner hospitals.
- Pay NHS staff a fair wage to keep them in the UK.

Immigration - have we gone too far?



Our government doesn't even know how many immigrants are in the UK, thanks to no border controls. Those committing serious crimes are rarely deported after serving their sentences.

At current levels, immigration is the equivalent to a new city the size of Birmingham every 5 years. Britain needs some breathing space while we deal with the overcrowding that we already have.

- **Freeze permanent immigration for 5 years.**
- **Deport immigrants who commit crimes.**
- **Find and deport illegal immigrants.**
- **Work permits only for UK economic needs.**
- **Keep our proud tradition of helping genuine asylum seekers who fear for their lives.**

We won't tell you what to think.



Do you have an opinion on abortion, euthanasia, animal rights or the death penalty? Your MPs decide these moral issues on a free vote - making it almost impossible for you to use your vote to make a difference.

Young people often don't bother to vote because they don't think their vote can change anything.

That's why UKIP believe that we should let the people get involved in democracy. Like in Switzerland, we'd let people call a referendum on important issues and force politicians to listen.

- Let the people call referenda on key issues.
- Leave the EU - let's govern ourselves.
- No to political correctness.

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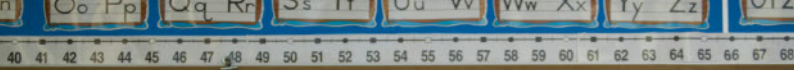
Make punishment fit the crime

Crime in the UK is out of control. Law-abiding citizens fear for their safety and criminals are released early, or on bail, to commit more crimes.

The failed Human Rights Act is a 'Criminals' Charter' protecting criminals, yet doing nothing to protect the decent, hard-working majority.

Police now enforce minor motoring offences more rigorously than shoplifting or assault.

- **Make sentences mean what they say**
- **Scrap the Human Rights Act**
- **Put police back on the beat**
- **Give people the vote on police priorities**



A world-class education for our children.



Education should be about excellence, giving our children the best possible start in life. But today's education system prioritises government interference and ignores real issues like bullying.

The brightest pupils are not challenged, and no genuine vocational choice is offered until age 16.

Labour's target of 50% of young people going to university causes huge debt & reduces the value of degrees. The EU's Bologna Process means 5-year degrees - even more debt for students.

- **Student grants, not student loans.**
- **No to school playing field closures**
- **Scrap Labour's unrealistic 50% target.**
- **A grammar school in every town.**



Whatever your views on Britain's involvement in Iraq and Afghanistan, we should all agree that our soldiers, who risk their lives for our nation, need our support.

Our army is overstretched and often has to make do with poor quality or faulty equipment - British soldiers could pay with their lives.

Meanwhile, our war heroes receive poor medical treatment and little financial support if wounded.

- **Save our warships.**
- **25,000 more troops.**
- **Better military equipment.**
- **Proper medical care for our armed forces.**



Our roads are gridlocked. Many people can't use public transport because there aren't enough routes.

Foreign lorries use UK roads for free whilst UK lorries must buy a tax disc. Cheaper fuel tax abroad also costs UK hauliers business.

Motorists feel penalised for using their cars. Tax on petrol is currently around 180%, and speed cameras and parking fines are over-used, generating easy revenue as motorists are pushed into not challenging mistakenly issued tickets.

- Give rail a fair chance by re-opening lines.**
- A level playing field - make foreign lorries pay for a 'Britdisc' to use UK roads.**
- Stop persecuting motorists with huge tax rises and over-zealous enforcement.**

A breath of fresh air for our environment?



Obsession with carbon emissions is getting in the way of sensible measures to protect our environment. However hard the government tries, it can't tax cars off the road. But we could invest in technology to make cars more efficient and cut all fuel emissions.

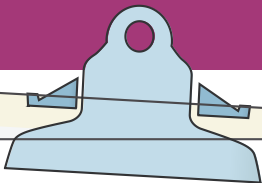
Wind farms work only 30% of the time, yet hydroelectric power is safe and reliable. Nuclear power now has faster waste disposal methods.

We waste fuel sending goods to China for recycling. Let's concentrate on doing the right thing - and work smarter as well as harder.

- Invest in new technology to cut all emissions, not just CO₂.
- Use incentives not penalties to encourage people to do their bit.

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