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### MEME OF THE MONTH



# Eastern Region News



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thing you would like to do. Please let me know after the 2nd May. Thanks.

Reform UK Councillors are not whipped, which means as a Reform UK Councillor.

You can represent your neighbourhood in a way that is right for the Residents, not the Party. For more information, please contact me after 2nd May 2024.

It isn't to late to apply if you would like to stand for us and you can do that using this link:

[www.reformparty.uk/candidate-application-general-election](http://www.reformparty.uk/candidate-application-general-election)

Ben Habib and June Mummary Norma Saggers came to Norwich to speak in front Eastern Region Manager of a packed room.

[norma.saggers@reformparty.uk](mailto:norma.saggers@reformparty.uk)

Look out for more of these local events in coming months, with a big Eastern Region event in early July.

Unfortunately, a couple of our Eastern Region PPCs have had to withdraw for personal reasons, one seat already re-allocated, we welcome Scott Hussey to Bury St Edmund and Stowmarket.

At this point we have 49 of the 61 seats in the Region allocated and people being processed for more of them. I am confident that by the

### Norma Saggers

*Eastern Region Manager:*

Welcome to another busy month for Reform UK across the Eastern Region.

You may have seen that our membership had risen by over 4000 in March. I am pleased to say that nearly 200 of those new members were in our Region.

This year's local elections are nearly upon us. Nominations close on 5th April at 4pm

### Across the Region:

No local elections in Bedfordshire. Ipswich only in Suffolk.

In the other four Counties, a mix of Full Council elections of just a third of seats up for re-election.

Across these four Counties we have a total of 70 candidates. You can check your Council website after 5pm on 5th April to see if there is one where you live.

Thank you to everyone who is standing for us.

If you feel that standing for Council in May 2025, is some



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## Bedfordshire County Overview

### Bedfordshire PPCs

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#### North Bedfordshire

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Bedfordshire is a local election free zone this year, with just the Police and Crime Commissioner election occurring.

With our focus being on the general election later in the year it hasn't been possible for us to field a candidate for the Bedfordshire PCC election.

I am not convinced that the PCC even needs to exist or adds any value for tax payers. The position is just another layer of unnecessary cost with no measurable benefit whatsoever.

I certainly don't feel safer since the introduction of PCCs, I haven't seen more police on our streets and I haven't seen crime fall.

Across Bedfordshire lots is going on. In Luton South Norman has delivered over 25,000 leaflets so far, in Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard constituency Harry has delivered 35,000 leaflets so far.

Harry is holding a public Reform UK meeting in Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard constituency. On **Monday, the 6th May at 6-15pm**, St Leonard's Church hall, Leighton Road, Heath and Reach, LU7 0AA.

Harry will be joined by Noel Willcox, our Hemel Hempstead PPC who is rapidly becoming famous for fighting £11,000 in ULEZ fines and winning. Also speaking will be Noel Matthews, Reform UK National Organiser and the man behind the candidates who will happily tell you about the progress the party is making, and what to expect later in the year as we head towards the general election.

Public meetings are a great opportunity to get to know Harry and the rest of Reform UK.

Looking forwards, all our candidates will be out canvassing all spring and summer in readiness, as well as holding more events, street stalls and more.

If you would like to get involved please use the contact details on the right to get in touch with your candidate and volunteer to help them.

We currently have a vacancy in North Bedfordshire. If you want to be considered for the constituency please complete the application here:

[www.reformparty.uk/  
candidate-application-general-election](http://www.reformparty.uk/candidate-application-general-election)

We will provide plenty of training and support to help you get started and to help you to build a team to assist you canvassing.

If you have any questions before you apply then please don't hesitate to get in touch with me and I can talk through everything with you.

Dave Holland  
*Bedfordshire County Organiser*  
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## Cambridgeshire County Overview

### Could you represent your local area at the next general election?

Reform UK wants to represent the true aspirations and effect the necessary changes sought by the majority of us and we are searching for our next prospective parliament Candidates in the Eastern Region.

### We have vacancies in:

Cambridge  
South Cambridgeshire

The Cambridgeshire PPCs and their contact details are listed on the right, as you can see Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire are still vacant and if you are interested in standing for us in either of those seats, please use the link to apply:

<https://www.reformparty.uk/stand-for-us>

The Boundary changes have affected the work that our Constituency Spokespeople have been able to do, but you will see them out and about soon, in their updated Constituencies.

If you have any questions please contact me, at [cambridgeshire@reformuk.com](mailto:cambridgeshire@reformuk.com)

There is currently a vacancy for a Cambridgeshire County Organiser, if this role would interest you, please contact me for a chat or a copy of the Job Description.

I would also like to hear from you for any ideas or comments to make.

You can also subscribe to our monthly e-newspaper, The Eastern Region Reformer using this link:

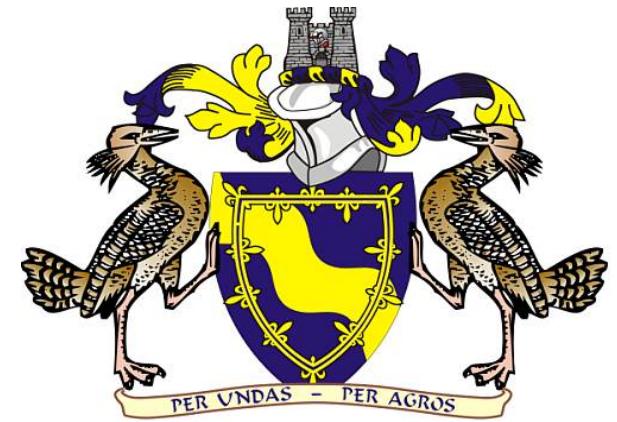
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It is free to subscribe to and it will be in your inbox at the beginning of each month

Please feel free to contact me with any queries. I look forward to hearing from you.

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*Eastern Region Manager*



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### Vacant Constituencies:

*Cambridge*  
*South Cambridgeshire*  
*St Neots & Mid Cambridgeshire*



## Essex County Overview



Essex has once again been a hive of activity.

Essex continue to gear up for an October, possibly a May election & the key message is that we must be ready as if an election were to take place tomorrow!

Large-scale leafleting campaigns are underway by Paul Godfrey in Brentwood.

Meanwhile in Castle Point a local meeting is being finalised for Wednesday 17th April with an Action Day of leafleting that following Saturday.

A street stall will also be taken to Canvey Island on Saturday 4th May which will build on our excellent momentum built up in a key part of the constituency!

So much done and so much still to do in 2024!

### Parliamentary News:

Here in Essex, we now have Spokesmen and women in 16 of the 18 Parliamentary Constituencies.

### Those still vacant are:

Thurrock  
Southend West and Leigh  
South Basildon and East Thurrock

If you live in or near any of those areas and would like to apply, please use the link to the Application Form.

<https://www.reformparty.uk/candidate-application-general-election>

### We have the following people already allocated Parliamentary seats:

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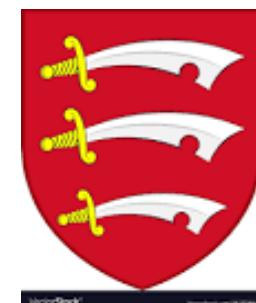
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by 24th of the month



## Hertfordshire County Overview

### Herts County Council Feel the Effects of People Power!

Well, if you ever thought the barons of local government cared about the views of their constituents, I've got some sad news for you. Our petition for the cancellation of Hertfordshire County Councils deranged roll out of 20mph zones, predictably, fell on deaf ears at County Hall.

John Dowdle (PPC for St Albans) was given only 3 minutes to present the 1500 signatures to the Transport Committee, he spoke of the obscene waste of money for something that the people of Hertfordshire clearly didn't want and was rudely cut off at the end.

The Councillor chairing the meeting was dismissive in the extreme and the Committee "decided" to acknowledge the petition but that no further action would be taken. That's right. No further action taken.

When 1500 people in two weeks say NO they pretend not to hear! But fear not, this issue is not going away and Reform UK councillors and PPC's across the county are going to campaign on scrapping this unpopular act.

The Tories, Labour, Lib Dem's and the Greens are all marching in lockstep and rolling out the anti-motorist measures and we will stand firmly against them.

The policy is unworkable and pretty much unenforceable. Some are suggesting that shortly after 20mph signs go up, speed cameras will surely follow, milking more money out of motorists. It's hard to image something more ridiculous than getting a fine for driving at 24mph!

In other news Herts Reformers are gearing up for the local elections. We have District and Borough elections happening across St Albans, Harpenden, Watford, Stevenage and East Herts.

With roughly 30 Reform candidates lined up, we've practically doubled our local representation!

We currently only have one constituency in need of a suitable candidate.

### South West Hertfordshire.

If you preferably live in the constituency and want to join our amazing Hertfordshire team, please complete the application form on the Reform UK website:

[www.reformparty.uk/  
candidate-application  
-general-election](http://www.reformparty.uk/candidate-application-general-election)

Or scan the QR code:



### Herts PPCs:

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**Saba Poursaeedi** in Harpenden and Berkhamsted  
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**Steve Adelantado** in North West Hertfordshire  
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**John Burmicz** in Hertford and Stortford  
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**Jack Aaron** in Welwyn Hatfield  
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**Noel Willcox** in Hemel Hempstead  
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**Charles Bunker** in Hitchin  
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**Tara Sherfield-Wong** in Broxbourne  
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### Currently Vacant:

South West Hertfordshire

To be considered for South West Hertfordshire please contact either Saba or Norma or complete the Application form at:  
[www.reformparty.uk](http://www.reformparty.uk)

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## Norfolk County Overview

Norfolk (/nɔːrfək/ NOR-fək) is a ceremonial county in the East of England and East Anglia. It borders Lincolnshire and The Wash to the north-west, the North Sea to the north and east, Cambridgeshire to the west, and Suffolk to the south. The largest settlement is the city of Norwich.

The county has an area of 2,074 sq mi (5,370 km<sup>2</sup>) and a population of 859,400. It is largely rural with few large towns: after Norwich (147,895), the largest settlements are King's Lynn (42,800) in the north-west, Great Yarmouth (38,693) in the east, and Thetford (24,340) in the south. For local government purposes Norfolk is a non-metropolitan county with seven districts.

Good news for Norfolk, this month.

We are looking for a new County Organiser for Norfolk.

If you would like to be considered please email [norma.saggers@reformparty.uk](mailto:norma.saggers@reformparty.uk)

Our first big event in Norfolk was held on 26th March in Norwich.

Organised by Nick Taylor, PPC for Norwich North, supported by the other Norfolk PPCs.

It was attended and supported by Ben Habib, Deputy Leader, June Mummary, Spokesperson for Fisheries and a full house of members and supporters eager to hear what that had to say.

Please look out for more Norfolk events coming soon.

### The available seats are:

Broadland and Fakenham,  
Norwich South  
North West Norfolk  
Great Yarmouth

You can find out who your PPC is by going to:

<https://www.reformparty.uk/find-my-candidate>

If you would like to represent your Constituency in the next General Election there is still time to complete the application form and apply, using the following Link:

<https://www.reformparty.uk/candidate-application-general-election>

Please remember your voter ID when you go to vote on 2nd May 2024

If you would like to download a Reform UK Window Poster, you can do that here:

<https://bit.ly/3TUVnZ1>

Or use the QR code:



Constituency allocated seats so far are:

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**Toby** in South West Norfolk  
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**Nick** in Norwich North  
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**Richard** in South Norfolk  
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**Eric** in Broadland and Fakenham  
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There is still time to apply, if you would like to join them?

### Current vacant seats are:

North West Norfolk  
Norwich South  
Great Yarmouth

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## Suffolk County Overview

Dear Suffolk members and supporters,

I hope this finds you all well. There have been some changes to PPC positions in the Suffolk region. Carlos Alves has stood down as PPC of Bury St Edmunds and Stowmarket due to work commitments. We are very sad to see Carlos depart.

On the behalf of Reform UK in Suffolk, I would like to thank Carlos for all he has done in the constituency. He will be missed. A big thank you goes out to the support group in the constituency who have gone above and beyond in their support for Carlos over the previous few months.

I would secondly like to congratulate Scott Hussey and Tony Gould for their appointments as the new PPC's for the constituencies of Bury St Edmunds and Stowmarket, and Central Suffolk and North Ipswich respectively. I wish you both the very best and I will be here supporting you all the way to the General Election.

With a General Election nearing ever closer, it is vitally important that our PPC's in Suffolk obtain as much support as possible with their respective campaigns.

If you are a constituent in Suffolk and you would be willing to support your Reform UK PPC with leaflet dropping, attending meetings, canvassing, etc, then please do not hesitate to contact the PPC in your constituency at the respective email address, or you are very welcome to contact me, Matt Jackson at [suffolk@reformuk.com](mailto:suffolk@reformuk.com) if you have any questions.



Our efforts are now focused on our preparations for the General Election later this year.

Now is the time to stand up and get involved.

### Current Suffolk Spokespeople:

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**Ian** - West Suffolk  
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**Tony** - Ipswich  
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**Scott** - Waveney Valley  
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**Kane** - Suffolk Coastal  
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**Tony** - Central Suffolk & North Ipswich  
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### Vacancies:

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## How You Can Help

### 1. Follow, Share & Like

The more people watch in full, then like, then share & comment on our our social media content, the more people we will reach across the country.

We have Reform UK social media accounts on: Facebook, X (Twitter), YouTube, Instagram & TikTok platforms, additionally our leadership; Richard Tice, David Bull & Ben Habib as well as regional teams, county teams and constituency spokespeople profiles.

Some constituency profiles are not in place yet, but in the coming weeks we will have a full compliment of spokespeople with active social media.

Please watch our videos **in full**, then **like**, **share** and **comment** on them. This will greatly help us to reach more people.

Please follow the relevant Reform UK accounts for your region and engage with as much of our content as you can.

Supporting our social media content is a great way to support the Reform Party and is very easy to do.

Just set up accounts on the listed social media platforms, find Reform UK accounts and follow them, follow all the National & local Reform Party pages & start watching, liking and sharing & commenting.

Thank you

### 2. Volunteer To Help

We will soon have spokespeople (PPCs) appointed in 632 constituencies across the UK. We are not contesting Northern Ireland, but we will be standing in every seat in England, Scotland & Wales.

Each spokesperson (PPC) is in the process of building a team of volunteers to help them to campaign across their constituency.

Your help and assistance is vital to their campaigns.

Your contribution however big or small will help them to achieve their goal of being able to represent you and the common sense policies that every Reform UK Party spokesperson stands for.

Our spokespeople will be delivering leaflets across their constituencies, running pop-up stalls on high streets, knocking on doors to talk with voters and running events in your area.

Many hands make light work and by volunteering you will be assisting your local spokesperson to reach more people and gain more votes.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact your county organiser in the first instance via email and they will put you in touch with your spokesperson (PPC).

### 3. Become a Member

Not a Reform UK member yet? It's never too late to join us so we can be the Party that you need us to be.

We are not building Reform UK for our benefit, we are building Reform UK because the country needs a centre right, common sense party. Reform UK is for normal, hardworking people who have been increasingly marginalised.

Britain needs a voice; for fairness, for common sense, for the preservation of the 'old normal', for the restoration of our services and standard of living.

All this can be done, it will be done but, to achieve it, we all need to stand shoulder to shoulder.

**You can become a member here:**

[https://www.reformparty.uk/join\\_us](https://www.reformparty.uk/join_us)

## New Ways To Get Involved?

We will soon be recruiting Social Media Ambassadors to help us to push our messages out further & faster to more people. If you can spare a few minutes a day to support Reform UK from your armchair you may be just the person we are looking for. We will train you on what to do, when to do it and help you to help us. If you are interested please email [dave.holland@reformuk.com](mailto:dave.holland@reformuk.com)



## Contribute To The Eastern Region Reformer

### 1. Send us your content for consideration.

If you have local news, events, campaigns or activities in Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Hertfordshire, Essex, Suffolk or Norfolk we'll consider them to include in the next issue. Just email your content and details to [bedfordshire@reformuk.com](mailto:bedfordshire@reformuk.com) before the 24th of the month. We can't guarantee inclusion but we'll do our best.

### 2. Write to our Letters page

Get in touch, share your thoughts, send us your photos, comments & suggestions. Seen one of our spokespeople out and about? Send in your photos. Depending on what we receive we will include a letters page in future. Please email: [bedfordshire@reformuk.com](mailto:bedfordshire@reformuk.com) before the 24th of the month.

### 3. Offer Suggestions

We are always looking to improve what we do and how we do it. Any ideas and suggestions you have make the Eastern Region Reformer even better, please pass them on. Email your suggestions to: [bedfordshire@reformuk.com](mailto:bedfordshire@reformuk.com) before the 24th of the month.



## SPOKESMAN SPOTLIGHT

### Kabeer Kher - Mid Norfolk

Growing up in N Ireland I have been interested in politics since a very young age, in particular since Black Wednesday in September 1992 when interest rates of 15% drove many local businesses to bankruptcy.

Throughout my time at school I studied the Politics & Economics.

I did my degree in International Business in Glasgow where I majored in Economics, studied International Relations during my Erasmus year in France and completed my MBA in Banking at the University of London in 2010.

I have now settled in Attleborough with my wife and our 2 children. From the moment I arrived here in 2015, the people of Norfolk have welcomed me into their hearts, and it has immediately felt like home.

Why I am standing as a Candidate for Mid-Norfolk Reform UK.

Since 2015 I have worked as a Mortgage advisor. A large part of my role has been to help people budget to save for a house or to help them rearrange their finances to cope with changing circumstances.

I have watched as this government have chipped away at every last penny of the disposable income of ordinary people.

For me the last straw was when Rishi Sunak became Prime Minister. One of his first decisions from Number 10 was to ban the extraction of UK onshore natural gas in the middle of the worst energy crisis since 1973!

The Conservatives have morphed into a Blue version of New Labour, with high tax and spend at the heart of their agenda, record levels of migration, spiralling debt, crumbling infrastructure and weak priorities on law and order. They're more interested in sound bites than genuine policy reform.

In my search for a new political home I found Reform UK.

This party has a bold agenda for national renewal, to kick start our economy, restore our public services, and bring back some pride in our nation. These are my top priorities at the next general election.

- Energy Independence
- Food security
- Flood Defences
- Reform the NHS.
- Incentivise Manufacturing
- Scrap Business Rates to save the High Street
- A codified British Constitution with a Bill of Rights to protect our freedoms

I strongly believe that our policies can bring back some normality to our way of life, by focusing the government's efforts on the issues that really matter.

Let 2024 be the year that we make the difference!



**PPC's - Please send me your Spotlight content & tell us all about you, why you are standing & introduce yourself.**

300 words + images to [dave.holland@reformuk.com](mailto:dave.holland@reformuk.com) by 24th of the month please.

article for consideration please do so and we will do our best to include your content.

300 words please on any Reform UK related policy or issue, local issues in your area or the state of the nation.

Please email [dave.holland@reformuk.com](mailto:dave.holland@reformuk.com) before the 24th of the month.

## 2024 - *What's Coming Up in the Eastern Region Reformer*

We will continue to publish articles and content from our leadership team and shadow cabinet.

If any readers feel the urge to send us an



## Social Media Ambassadors

We have began to roll out our Social Media Ambassador Programme.

Reform UK Social Media Ambassadors will form an integral part of our Reform UK team.

To be considered for the Ambassador programme you will need to be proposed by your constituency PPC or another Reform UK PPC.

Collectively we have a massive opportunity to help to promote Reform UK content across the five main social media channels:

Facebook

Instagram

X (Twitter)

YouTube

TikTok

If you want to help us then we will train you in exactly what we would like you to do.

This is a great way to help Reform UK from your armchair.

Your efforts will make a significant difference once we explain what we need you to do and how and when to do it.

If you would like to be considered for the programme, please contact your local PPC and they will introduce you to the programme and arrange for you to attend a 30 minute Zoom training session.

Social Media is very important for our campaign, especially in a General Election year.

With your help we will reach more people, share our messages and posts further, deeper into every constituency, to all the people who have yet to discover what Reform UK are offering.

We want to recruit as many Social Media Ambassadors as possible. We want thousands of you, all promoting our posts in the most effective way possible.

Collectively you will magnify our messaging.

For PPC's: Who are your most dedicated volunteers, friends, family, supporters, donors, members?

Who wants to help Reform UK to grow?

Individually we can only have a very limited impact on how a social media post performs, but, working together we can achieve much more.

The next Social Media Ambassador training session are held every couple of weeks.

Get involved today, become an Ambassador for Reform UK and help us to make the difference in this critical year.

Please contact your local PPC if you would like to be invited into the programme.



## The Welfare State & Open Borders Cannot Coexist

Dave Holland from [www.reformnation.media](http://www.reformnation.media)

Our welfare state was not designed for the world we have been forced to live in today.

We have a National Health Service that is being treated like an International Health Service.

We have a situation where our public services are being used on a massive scale by millions of people who have not contributed towards them. That is not a condition of the social contract that tax payers agreed to, hence the high level of discontent amongst the public.

Our welfare state has always struggled to deliver a minimum level of service, even 20 years ago, when the population was 12 million smaller than it is today. The burden on taxpayers has always been onerous, but today, with our open border policy that was brought in by Tony Blairs Labour party and has been actively encouraged by the Tories since 2010, the cost of welfare is spiralling out of control.

Their plan was simple; more people mean a larger economy and more money for all, but that isn't what has happened. Instead of that somewhat misguided pipedream, a different reality has come to pass.

The dream we were sold as the public was that we would be importing all of those essential skills that we are lacking as a country, doctors, nurses, scientists, etc. While we have indeed imported some of them, which introduces all sorts of moral dilemmas in the process; why do we think it is ok to deprive developing nations of their highly trained people instead of training our own?

Before anyone says but Brits don't want to do those jobs, I would say, that is untrue. In 2022 we accepted 7,500 doctors onto our doctor training programme. Limited by the BMA (a socialist health union), out of a total of 38,000 applications. We could be training Brits to be our doctors if the BMA got out of the way and allowed us to do so.

So, we import doctors from developing nations, who bring their families with them, often extended families, who guess what, use our public services, they get old, they get ill. In many cases those dependents don't work. But they do use GPs, dentists, hospitals and schools. In some cases they require translation services in order to do so, driving the cost of service provision up further.

In many cases we are exacerbating the issue rather than solving it.

If the economy, or state pension, or health care, or welfare system doesn't work when you have a population of 56 million, who in their right mind would think the solution is a larger population, that our services will suddenly function at an acceptable level with more people requiring access?. A larger population just increases the problem.

Our entire economy is hung on the failure of our state pension. Until we redress the significant issues with retirement and how we fund it, we will not be able to balance the economy and afford to fund retirement.

Imagine if we invested each person's NI pension contributions instead of a teenage workers NI contribution paying Great Aunty Carole's monthly state pension.

Your pension would pay you around three times more than the current state pension.

The major challenge obviously is how we get from where we are today to a new investment fund pension model. We would have to fund the 40-year gap in funding shortfall for existing pensioners which clearly needs consideration.

But, back to our open borders and welfare and free healthcare free-for-all.

If anyone can come to the UK and plug into the gravy train as they seem to be able to do at present, we are never going to resolve the problems we face. Your queue for a GP will not get shorter, your scan for potential cancer will not happen faster, your toothache will not be treated promptly.

Defenders of asylum seekers say that they only get a few pounds a week each to live on, so if that is true, how come they each cost us £50k per year? Their combined 'package' vastly exceeds the package for the unemployed or on Universal Credit.

Additionally, asylum seekers somehow manage to jump the queue for GPs, dentists, housing, education, leaving the people who have paid into the system feeling angry and rightfully so...*cont*

**Read the full article at:**

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