Voter Guide tae the EU Referendum o 2016

The Electoral Commission

Whit is the referendum aboot?

On **23 Juin 2016** we'r awa tae hae a referendum on the Unitit Kinrik's memmership o the European Union.

A referendum pits a question tae voters. For this referendum the question is: **Shuid** the Unitit Kinrik bide as a memmer o the European Union or come oot the European Union?

Ye'll can see hoo tae fill oot the voting paper on page 5.

This buikie tells ye hoo ye can tak pairt.

Am A habile for the vote?

Ye can vote in this referendum gin ye'r inrowed tae vote in the UK, are 18 or ower on 23 Juin 2016 an ye'r:

- a Breetish or Irland ceetizen that bides in the UK, or
- a Commonwealth ceetizen that bides in the UK that haes leave (freedom) tae bide in the UK or that needsna leave tae bide in the UK, or
- a Breetish ceetizen that bides owerseas that's been inrowed tae vote in the UK in the 15 year bygane

Gin yer name's no awready in the catalogue o voters, ye'll want tae inrow tae vote bi midnicht on **7 Juin 2016** for tae hae a vote in the EU Referendum.

Ye can inrow online at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote.

Gin ye haena ingait tae the wab, gie us a caw on **0800 3 280 280** for tae send ye oot an inrowment form. Ye'll want tae fill hit oot an post it tae the inrowment office for whaur ye bide tae win at them bi midnicht on **7 Juin 2016**.

Gin ye'r inrowed tae vote onywey ye'll be sent oot a voting caird bi 25 Mey 2016.

Wha pit this buikie thegither?

This buikie wis pit thegither wi the Commission anent Elections.

The Commission anent Elections wirks the braid UK an isna thirlt til ony ither body. It faws til us tae see that the public is plenisht wi information again the referendum vote. While we div tak tent o the wey that campaigners spens siller in the campaign, we haena airt or cooncil in ony o the threaps that campaigners pits forrit.

Wittins fae the leaders-aff in the campaign

Ower the neist twa pages the'r a puckle heids that threaps on bidin a memmer or comin oot the European Union. Whit's intil that pages is fae the pens o organisations either ettlin for the UK tae bide in the European Union or fae thaim ettlin tae come oot it. Thir bit screivings is prentit jist as we war gien them an the Commission anent Elections haed nae pairt in the writin o them.

Forby thir bit screivings, ilk ane o the leaders-aff haes thair ain pages on the wab whaur thay gie thocht tae whit wad happen at the affcome o the referendum an syne. The Commission anent Elections haed nae airt or cooncil in the makkin o this information.

Bide in hamepage: www.strongerin.co.uk/voteremain

Come oot hamepage: www.voteleavetakecontrol.org/yourchoice

MORE JOBS. LOWER PRICES. NHS PROTECTED.

Britain is stronger, safer and better off in Europe





STRONGER

A stronger economy - EU membership adds up to £91 billion a year to the UK economy (Source: CBI) - meaning more money to invest in the NHS. Stronger leadership on the world stage - shaping our future by sitting at the top table.

Getting more out than we put in - for every pound we put into the EU, we get almost £10 back in lower prices, more jobs and more investment (Source: HMT, CBI).

SAFER

Fighting cross-border crime - the European Arrest Warrant allows us to deport criminals from the UK and catch those fleeing justice across Europe. Tackling global threats like terrorism and climate change - with global threats that don't stop at borders, strength in numbers through the EU keeps UK families safer and protects our future.

BETTER OFF

More jobs - over 3 million UK jobs are linked to our trade with the EU, that's one in ten jobs. (Source: HMT)

Lower prices for families - competition between businesses across Europe means lower prices in UK shops, cheaper flights and lower energy bills (Source: European Commission, CEBR)

More trade for business - 200,000 UK businesses trade with EU countries and it's home to almost half our exports (Source: HMRC, ONS)



All this would be at risk if we left Europe. Experts agree that jobs would be lost, prices would rise, and there would be less money for public services, like the NHS.

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VOTE REMAIN FOR A STRONGER BRITAIN

Promoted by Will Straw on behalf of Britain Stronger in Europe (The In Campaign Ltd), both at St Bride's House, Sallsbury Square, London, EC4Y 8EH.

Promoted by Matthew Elliott on behalf of Vote Leave Ltd, both of 3 Albert Embankment, London, SE1 7SP

OUR LAST CHANCE TO TAKE BACK CONTROL

Some facts

EU law controls UK migration policy. More than a quarter of a million people came to the UK from the EU in the last 12 months – the equivalent of a city the size of Newcastle. If this continues for a decade, there will be over two million extra people. EU law means all members must accept 'free movement of people'. Many migrants contribute to society. They also affect public services.

The EU is growing. When we joined, there were 9 member states. Now there are 28, the most recent being Romania, Bulgaria and Croatia. Five more countries are in the process of joining, including Turkey. When they join, they will have the same rights as other members.

We pay about £350 million a week to the EU budget. That's about the same as the cost of building a new NHS hospital every week or hiring 600,000 nurses. We get less than half of this back and have no control over how it's spent.

If we vote 'remain'... The EU will continue to control migration, trade, VAT, and vital security policies such as counterterrorism. EU law will carry on having ultimate authority over British law. The European Court will continue to overrule our laws and will keep taking powers over how our intelligence services fight terrorism. We will not be in control of who comes in to our country, on what terms, and who we can remove. We will keep handing over £350 million of your taxes to Brussels every week.

The EU costs us £350 million a week... Let's take back control and spend our money on our priorities like our NHS

If we Vote Leave... We will take back control. We will stop sending £350 million of our money to Brussels every week and instead spend it on our priorities like the NHS. We will control our borders. We will trade with Europe without handing over permanent control to people we cannot vote out. We will control our own economy and trade. We will retake our seats on international bodies. We will have more international influence and use it to encourage more friendly international cooperation.

It's safer to take back control than to keep giving away power and money every year to the EU.

For more information visit: voteleavetakecontrol.org/yourchoice



Hoo dae A fill oot the voting paper?

Ye'll be gien a voting paper like the ane picturt here:

Referendum on the United Kingdom's membership of the European Union
Vote only once by putting a cross in the box next to your choice
Should the United Kingdom remain a member of the European Union or leave the European Union?
Remain a member of the European Union
Leave the European Union

Ye shaw whit yer choice is wi pittin a cross (X) on yer voting paper in either the kist for tae 'Bide a memmer o the European Union' or in the kist for tae 'Come oot the European Union'.

Mind an pit a cross in jist ae kist or yer vote michtna be coontit.

Hoo dae A vote?

The'r three weys ye can vote:

1. At yer voting station yer ainsel on 23 Juin 2016:

Ye'll be sent a voting caird tellin ye whauraboots yer voting station will be. Ye needna yer voting caird tae vote, an gin ye loss it, or didna get ane tae stert wi, ye can speir at yer cooncil hame-aboot tae find oot whaur yer voting station will be.

Voting stations is open fae 7am tae 10pm.

2. Bi post:

For tae pit in for a vote bi post, ye'll want tae fill oot a postal vote application an send it aff tae yer electoral inrowment office that's hame-aboot, tae win at them bi 5pm on **8 Juin 2016**. Tae speir-oot mair aboot this an get an application clap yer moose on **www.aboutmyvote.co.uk** or gie us a caw on **0800 3 280 280**.

Yer voting paper will be sent throu the post tae ye. A voting paper can be sent owerseas, but mind an think on whither ye'll hae the time tae get the form an send hit back again bi 10pm on 23 Juin 2016.

Gin yer voting paper haesna won at ye bi **Friday 17 Juin 2016**, speir at the cooncil for whaur ye bide. Ye can get a split-new ane in its steid up tae 5pm on the voting day.

3.Bi proxy (lattin a body ye can lippen on cast the vote on your behauf):

For tae pit in for a proxy vote, fill oot an application form an send it tae the electoral inrowment office for whaur ye bide sae that it wins at them bi 5pm on 15 Juin 2016. Tae speir-oot mair about this an get an application clap yer moose on www.aboutmyvote.co.uk or gie us a caw on 0800 3 280 280.

Whan ye pit in for a proxy vote ye maun state whit wey ye canna vote yer ainsel. The body castin yer proxy vote maun be inrowed tae vote an habile for the referendum. This body will vote on your behauf sae ye'll hae tae tell them whit gait ye want tae vote.

Ye maun be inrowed tae vote afore ye can be gien a postal or proxy vote. Ye wad hae tae be inrowed tae vote bi midnicht on **7 Juin 2016**.

Hoo dae A speir-oot mair?

For mair information, or a dooble o this buikie in ither leids, or set oot anither gait or style, please clap yer moose on www.aboutmyvote.co.uk or gie us a caw on 0800 3 280 280.

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