

# **Resist US Climate Exit! Challenge UK Clexiteers!**

We know that the Trump administration denies man-made climate change, is pro-fossil fuel and plans to pull out of the Paris Climate Deal.

Trump said his victory would be 'Brexit plus plus plus!'

Many of the leading campaigners for Brexit like Lord Lawson, Nigel Farage, Douglas Carswell and Owen Paterson are also pushing for a 'Climate Exit' or 'Clexit'.

The same address, 55 Tufton Street, near Parliament, is home for several climate-sceptic, pro-Brexit and neo-liberal organisations. Last summer, some of these sceptics formed a new 'Clexit' group. They oppose the Paris Climate Deal, the Climate Change Act and the Government's current Fifth Carbon Budget.

Climate sceptics – or 'Clexiteers'- seek influence through lobbying and aim to shape public opinion via mainstream media.

## **If they're a fringe group why should we be worried about them?**

- Climate scepticism is well-represented in the Conservative Party - despite its official acceptance of climate **science**. Sceptics include Boris Johnson and David Davis. Others like Andrea Leadsom and Sajid Javid have voted against climate action. A survey of a sample of Conservative MPs in 2014 showed that most were climate sceptics.
- These groups and individuals often campaign against climate action using free-market arguments without explicit scepticism.
- They will intervene in many issues - even those not at first glance about climate, such as the Steel crisis - to push their agenda.
  - Newspapers like the Times, Sun, Express, Star, Daily Mail and Telegraph regularly promote climate sceptic messages, often based on the work of climate sceptic think tanks and lobbyists.
- These groups make it easier for the Government, while formally accepting the climate science, to backtrack on climate policies as it has done since 2015.

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