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Hull and East Riding back Britain's exit from the EU in dramatic vote. But questions remain



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HULL and the East Riding gave emphatic backing to Britain's exit from the EU in one of the most dramatic political events in recent history.

Almost 200,000 voters in Hull and the East Riding backed Leave in the EU Referendum, voting almost 2/1 over Remain supporters.

The result triggered the resignation of Prime Minister David Cameron, with Boris Johnson now favourite to replace him at Number 10, and threatened the leadership of Labour's Jeremy Corbyn.

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# BREXIT WHAT NOW?

# PARTIES ROCKED BY LEAVE SHOCKWAVE

In the wake of the EU referendum result, **Tareq Haddad** asked three local politicians where they think their parties will go from here



**'We need to win back their support and take a hard look at ourselves'**

LABOUR needs to have hard look at itself following yesterday's referendum result, Hull City Council leader Councillor Steve Brady has said.

The party campaigned for a Remain vote, but found many of its core voters in Labour heartlands had rebelled against the party's stance.

Cllr Brady said it will be a priority to find out what went wrong and how to regain the trust of those voters.

He said: "I think the Labour Party needs to have a big conversation within itself to find out has happened and why."

"Core Labour voters in the North certainly made it quite clear where they stand and we need to take their views into account."

"We need to win back their

## LABOUR

support and take a hard look at ourselves.

"We need to be critical and figure out how we can move forward so we can regain those voters' trust."

Cllr Brady said it was also important to avoid a knee-jerk reaction.

He said it would be inappropriate to comment on whether Jeremy Corbyn should remain as party leader - after a motion of no confidence was filed - but said any steps taken by Labour need to be carefully considered.

The motion has no constitutional force, but Corbyn's future will be discussed at a Parliamentary Labour Party meeting on Monday.

**'This is something for which we have fought for a very long time'**

UKIP's priority will be to make sure the Government delivers on the wishes of the British people, the party's Yorkshire and Humber MEP has said.

Mike Hookem said he never thought a Leave campaign would be possible, but now it is a reality, he is ecstatic at the result.

More than 17.4 million people voted in favour of leaving the European Union in Thursday's referendum, equal to 51.9 per cent of the vote.

Mr Hookem said: "This is something for which we have fought for a very long time."

"We have been fighting for this for nearly ten years and to get this result is fantastic."

"We have been given a

## UKIP

mandate by the British people and now our main aim is to make sure they get what they asked for.

"We will be keeping the pressure on the Tories to make sure we get the best deal possible for Britain."

Mr Hookem said that the party will also look ahead to building at an upcoming general election, after Prime Minister David Cameron indicated he will resign once he has stabilised the ship.

UKIP received more than four million votes at the last general election in 2015.



**'I have spent years telling the London-centric mandarins about how people feel in the North'**

SHOCKWAVES of the EU referendum will give Westminster the wake-up call it needs to listen to the needs of the North, Conservative MP Andrew Percy has said.

The Brigg and Goole MP said he has been fighting for the needs of ordinary people for ten years, only to be refused by "London-centric mandarins".

Despite the Remain campaign coming out on top, Mr Percy - who backed Brexit - said no one should view the result as an easy solution for Britain's problems.

Mr Percy said: "The fact that we voted to leave the European Union is not a surprise to me at all."

"I have spent years telling Parliament about how we feel up here, only to be told by London-centric mandarins that my suggestions are unacceptable."

## Conservative

"I think that's caused a real resentment of politicians because they feel we are not listening. Our area feels that resentment and that's why we have voted to leave."

"But because we have won the Leave campaign, I don't think anyone can be smug. There's a very long and complicated road ahead."

Much of that complicated road will lie within the Conservative Party, where they have to find a new leader, but Mr Percy said the process will be a great way to unify the party again.

He said he does not know who he will back yet and that he will take into consideration the views of his constituents to decide.

## EU exit ensures Cameron's legacy is fixed

Parliamentary Correspondent **Patrick Daly** looks at the fallout after Brexit and its possible impact on Westminster politics



WHEN David Cameron stood on the platform at the Conservative Party conference last year and announced he would stand down before the next general election, few predicted his resignation would come just eight months later.

With time ticking after his declaration, the Prime Minister moved to secure his legacy as a social reformer.

From then on, every second Monday, his Downing Street team would orchestrate media attention on Mr Cameron's programme of social change, with visits to mosques to unveil English lessons for Muslim migrant women and speeches at prisons revealing a policy overhaul, demanding rehabilitation not simply incarceration.

Despite those efforts, his legacy will now be firmly fixed after the referendum result - but not for a reform he wanted to be remembered for. He will forever be the PM who took Britain out of the European Union.

Mr Cameron had only been MP for Witney for four years when he snared the Tory leadership and began dragging his party kicking and screaming into the centre ground.

There, he helped update

and soften his party's image and made the Conservatives electable again.

His reward? Last year the 49-year-old became the first Tory leader for 23 years to win a general election outright.

Now, just as they did to John Major, the last man to secure a blue majority, the Eurosceptics have snatched the party back and lurched it hard to the right, where it campaigns openly with UKIP.

One of Mr Cameron's greatest strengths was that the electorate saw him as strong leader, a statesman.

He was at his best when talking to the country and at the Commons despatch box.

Can you imagine saying the same about Michael Gove or bumbling Boris? A Brexit government will need a new face with the appeal of their old boss.

Despite an unpopular Tory Government, Labour have failed to shift opinion polls in their favour. And at the EU referendum, there was downright dissent as Labour heartland areas - Hull included - ignored the hierarchy's call to vote Remain and chose Brexit instead.

A coup on Jeremy Corbyn's leadership surfaced yesterday after mutiny

festered at his perceived lacklustre campaigning for the EU.

Yet Mr Corbyn's long-held Euroscepticism - did he ever truly exorcise it? - is probably more in tune with Labour voters' views on the EU than any party leader in the past two decades. There's a reason why the Islington North MP won a landslide leadership election last September.

But what next? Both main parties are in a period of instability, with new leaders impending or threatened.

Can others take advantage of this public malaise towards the big two? The Liberal Democrats are still rebuilding, but UKIP have a profile they will want to exploit in order to make gains in Westminster.

When 17 million people vote for your core policy, you suddenly don't look like the minnows any more. Mr Cameron's legacy meltdown is Nigel Farage's dream scenario - and possibly the cementing of his own.



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