

Jo's Message for International Day of Persons with Disabilities

As a Party we are clear: people with disabilities must have the opportunity to fully participate in every aspect of society

3rd December is the International Day of Persons with Disabilities. A day set aside to promote the rights and well-being of people with disabilities.

Let us use today to increase our understanding of disabilities which can be physical, mental, sensory or cognitive.

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The 12 Lies Of Brexit

Welcome to the 'Twelve Lies of Brexit', where we will be unwrapping the biggest porkies told by senior Leave politicians.

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World AIDS Day – 1st December

Today we stand together as a global community to mark **World AIDS Day**.

AIDS is a global health challenge and there are currently **more than 100,000 people living with HIV in the UK**.

As a nation, we have made great strides in minimising the physical, psychological and societal impact of HIV. And thanks to the hard work of researchers, our understanding of HIV has grown significantly.

However, the shame, stigma, and isolation associated with HIV and AIDS has not gone away. **No one should ever feel alone because of their HIV status**, yet

1 in 5 people living with HIV in the UK say they feel this way.

We must be clear; there is no shame in an HIV diagnosis. There is no shame in getting tested. And there is no reason why HIV should stop you from living a full and happy life.

This year, the government committed to ending new HIV transmissions in England by 2030 yet support for people living with HIV has been eroded. Many people report feeling isolated and unable to find the help they need. And we are yet to secure universal access to HIV prevention medication such as PrEP. This not good enough.

This year's theme, "**Rock the Ribbon Together**" is our collective opportunity to show our support for those living with HIV and AIDS and I'll be wearing my ribbon with great pride.

I'd like to end by thanking the many researchers, activists, and doctors working to improve the lives of those living with HIV and AIDS. **Let us all work together to end HIV transmissions for good.**

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Brexit Means Criminals Evade Justice

New analysis has revealed how much UK police rely on vital EU crime-fighting measures.

Yet Boris Johnson's reckless Brexit plans threaten to cut the UK off.

Over the past five years, UK police forces and prosecutors have used the European Arrest Warrant (EAW) to arrest over **6,600 criminal fugitives**.

This includes:

- 140 for **murder** or manslaughter
- 136 for **child sex offences**
- 152 for **rape**
- 12 for **terrorism**

The research also shows that UK police accessed a crucial EU-wide crime database **603 million times** in 2018. This database gives real-time access to records on wanted criminals, missing persons and lost or stolen items. This includes firearms and passports.

In short, if Johnson's Brexit goes ahead:

- Up to **6,000 criminals could evade justice**

- Our police would be **locked out of EU crime database** used 1.6 million times a day
- Brexit would undermine the UK's ability to tackle **terrorism and organised crime**

Brexit would be a disaster for our safety.

Thousands of dangerous criminals could escape justice. Not only that, the UK's ability to tackle terrorism and organised crime would be seriously undermined.

The only way to ensure vital police cooperation with Europe is by **stopping Brexit.**

We intend to do just that. Then, we will build a brighter future and keep our communities safe.

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10 lies from Boris Johnson's LBC interview

Boris Johnson's interview with LBC exposed yet again how Boris Johnson can't be trusted and is simply not fit for the office of Prime Minister.

Whether it was on nurses, hospitals or Brexit, Johnson spent an hour lying through his teeth. We've highlighted ten of his mistruths...

1. 50,000 new nurses

Johnson continues to peddle the Tory fantasy that they will recruit 50,000 new nurses. He clearly can't do basic maths when 19,000 of this figure is comprised by nurses who already work in the NHS.

On top of this, figures earlier this week revealed that 1,116 EU nurses have left the NHS so far this year and EU staff at Johnson's local hospital are feeling anxiety over their future here because of Brexit.

2. 40 new hospitals

The Tories are not going to build 40 new hospitals. Johnson admitted today that re-building an old hospital will be classified as a new one. The pledge is simply false.



3. Trade deals

Johnson claimed that there are up to a dozen trade deals ready to go after Brexit. Given the Conservatives have abjectly failed to rollover the trade deals it said it would over the past three years, he just cannot be trusted.

Liam Fox promised 40 trade deals, instead the Tories have only delivered 18.

4. Social care

Johnson claimed the £1 billion of funding the Tories have announced for social care will stop people having to sell their home to pay for care.

But this money is simply a sticking plaster for the day-to-day operation of our social care system which is at breaking point. He has no plan for a long-term solution.

5. Comments on single mothers

Johnson claimed that the quotations used of his insulting and offensive comments on single mothers were distorted, even though he has a history of misogynistic and sexist comments. He plays fast and loose with his words and it has real damaging consequences.



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WHAT IS THE **SOURCE**
OF THIS FALSEHOOD?

6. Free press

The day after the Tories petulantly threatened to review Channel 4's licence, Johnson claimed he wants to protect a free press. The Tories have also refused to allow a Mirror reporter onto their campaign bus.

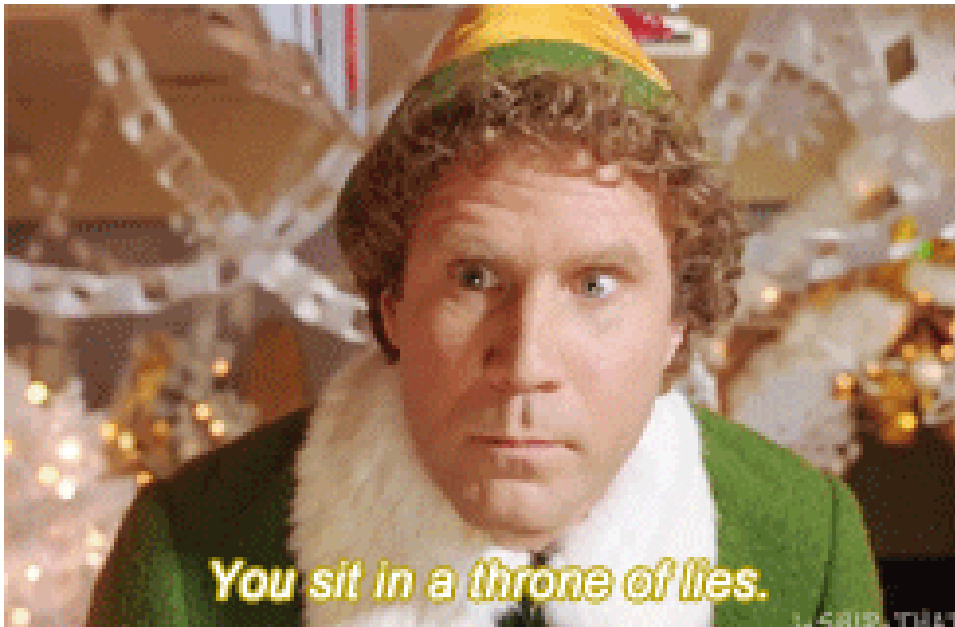
Trying to intimidate the media like this is straight out of Donald Trump's playbook and has no place in an open and inclusive democracy.

7. Cutting business rates

Johnson said that the Tories will cut business rates in the next Budget, but his manifesto promises a review. Which is it? Liberal Democrats have promised to scrap business rates and replace them with a commercial landowner levy.

8. Working class people

Boris Johnson said he doesn't care that Dominic Cummings thinks the Tories have a problem with working class people. It comes after a Spectator column from Johnson surfaced in which he called working class men "drunk, criminal and feckless."



9. Police cuts

Johnson denied that the police cuts in London were the fault of the Conservative Government. But the Tories have drastically cut police numbers, leading the Home Office to admit that the cuts had “likely contributed” to the rise in serious violent crime.

10. Greggs

Boris Johnson previously said he was ‘made of Greggs’. But given he couldn’t name the price of a sausage roll, it would appear he’s never set a foot in one.

Voters: there is another choice. The Liberal Democrats are the only party that can stop Boris, stop Brexit and build a brighter future. Join us today.

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