Grow up or we'll walk away

Speaking today in the European Parliament plenary debate in Strasbourg on the European Council's adopted guidelines for the Brexit negotiations UKIP MEP Nigel Farage labelled Mr Juncker's behaviour as unacceptable and called for a change of tactics from the EU or the United Kingdom may be forced to walk away from the talks before the end of the year.

Nigel Farage MEP said: "In any other part of the civilised world frankly that behaviour would be considered to be bloody rude and the act of a bully. Well I'll tell you something, your attempt to bully the Brits through these negotiations is not working, sixty-eight percent now of the British people want Brexit to happen.

"Either we get some grown up, reasonable demands from the European Union or the United Kingdom will be forced to walk away before the end of this year. We can't spend two years with this farce, there is a big, big world out there."

<u>Labour's plan to tackle the decline of pubs is anything but</u>

UKIP Leader and long time advocate of UKIP's "Save the Pub Campaign" Paul Nuttall said, "Labour has announced plans that are intended to tackle the decline of pubs however, they will do anything but that.



"Their plans demonstrate a complete lack of joined up thinking. Whilst guaranteeing to list all pubs as "assets of community value" to help stop them being sold off to supermarket chains and the like is laudable, when combined with an refusal to rule out a rise in beer duty it is nothing but an empty gesture. Protecting pubs from becoming supermarkets, while at the same time reinforcing the supermarkets ability to undercut pub prices is fantasy economics, and a cruel fantasy at that.

"Ever rising beer duty is driving pubs out of business. Labour's "plan" would kill pubs through tax, while thumping a few extra nails in their coffins as pub cos and publicans would be condemned to penury by ever rising beer duty and unable to offload failed assets due to a universal listing of pubs as assets of community value. On a case by case basis it is good that pubs can be listed, but it is not always the best solution.

The Tories are planning another targeted attack on white van men and women

Patrick O'Flynn, the UKIP Economics spokesman, has today warned that the Tories are likely to hit the self employed with hikes in National Insurance.



Mr O'Flynn demanded that the Chancellor, Philip Hammond protect the lifeblood of our economy, the self employed strivers.

"First, he could and should explicitly rule out unleashing a new national insurance raid on the self-employed. The pernicious measure that he set out in his Budget, and that UKIP vehemently opposed, would have hit 2.5 million workers, 1.6 million of whom are basic rate income tax payers.

"It would have cost them an average of £240 a year each. When Mr Hammond withdrew it, he did so only because it contravened the terms of the 2015 Tory manifesto which will of course falls after this election. He said he still thought that hiking NI on the self-employed was "the right approach".

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<u>UKIP responds to the NHS Cyber attack</u>

Suzanne Evans, the UKIP Health spokesman, has responded to the cyber attack on NHS services today.

"This is an absolutely despicable and cowardly attack on Britain's bestloved public service. I simply cannot understand the mentality of the pathetic geeks behind this crime, who must know they are putting lives at risk.

"I would like to express my sympathy to NHS staff who, in addition to already having to cope with heavy workloads, now have to deal with this crisis. I trust NHS Digital will be able to restore systems to normal and soon as possible, and whoever set this malware in motion will face the full force of the law.