

Sharon Hodgson MP  
Brexit Survey – August 2018 to November 2018

### **Survey Information**

This survey was carried out between the 10<sup>th</sup> of August 2018 and the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November 2018 for constituents in Washington & Sunderland West, using Survey Monkey. The survey was circulated in a number of ways:

- Through regular posts on Facebook and Twitter, and updates on Sharon's Website.
- Around 350 constituents who had written to Sharon Hodgson MP on various Brexit issues were sent an email with information on the survey.
- A Press Release was sent to local media outlets and organisations some of whom published stories on the survey with information on how to complete it.
- BBC Look North ran a feature about the Survey with Sharon explaining why she was running it.
- Sharon's regular newsletter featured information on how to complete the survey.

The survey was primarily run through Survey Monkey, but paper versions were also available on request and some constituents filled it out in this way. All information circulated about the survey also included a note that it could be re-produced in different formats if so required.

### **Participation**

In total, **623** people took part in this survey, and completed it in full.

Of the **623 people** who completed the survey:

**502** participants provided postcodes **within** the constituency of Washington & Sunderland West (**80.5%** of the total number)

**121** participants provided postcodes that are **not** in the constituency of Washington & Sunderland West (**19.5%** of the total number)

Of the **121** participants who provided postcodes that are not in the constituency of Washington & Sunderland West:

**27** provided postcodes from the constituency of Sunderland Central

**28** provided postcodes from the constituency of Houghton and Sunderland South

**66** provided post codes from elsewhere

## Notes on Data

It is important to note that this survey is **not** a scientific poll, and there are some elements that are important to note when considering the results:

*- Although the survey was intended for residents of the constituency of Washington & Sunderland West and every effort was made to make that clear, there was no way of filtering out people who took part in the survey from outside the constituency. 80.5% of respondents were constituents.*

*- More people who say that they voted Remain in the 2016 Referendum took part in this survey. As you will see from the more detailed breakdown below, 54.9% of people who took part say that they voted Remain, whereas 42.05% say they voted to Leave. When considering the responses to later questions, this should be taken into consideration.*

All care was taken to produce a balanced survey which would allow residents of Washington & Sunderland West to express their views on Brexit, and the potential future scenarios. The results provide a snapshot of opinion in the constituency and must be viewed in that context.

For questions where participants were given the option to select 'Other' and provide a comment – a selection of those comments has been provided.

### For Reference:

Please see below the message given to participants at the beginning of the survey, including a note on the usage of data collected:

'On the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June 2016 the British people voted to leave the European Union (EU). This historic decision will have an impact on the economy, society and politics of the United Kingdom for decades to come.

Immediately after the vote, I consulted with local residents to hear their opinions on the result and I'm doing so again now to ensure that I can represent my constituents in the best way possible.

There are some difficult decisions coming in the next year about the type of relationship that we as a nation will have with the European Union moving forward, and I want to hear from you.

Please note that this survey is intended for residents of my constituency (Washington & Sunderland West) only. You can check whether you are a constituent by inputting your postcode on this website:

<https://www.theyworkforyou.com/>

Results of this survey will be published in the form of survey data, overall results and themes. No personal details will be used in any publication of the results from this survey, so please do try to answer as honestly as possible.

Any personal data collected through responses to this survey will be kept for no longer than 6 months after the launch date – 10.08.18

You can read Sharon Hodgson MP's Privacy Notice by visiting:

[www.sharonhodgson.org/privacy\\_policy](http://www.sharonhodgson.org/privacy_policy)

By completing this survey you agree to any data collected to be used in the ways outlined above.

**N.B – Instructions vary throughout the survey. If the question does not apply to you, then please leave it blank.**

**For example, if the question begins with 'If you voted to remain...' but you voted to leave, then leave blank.'**

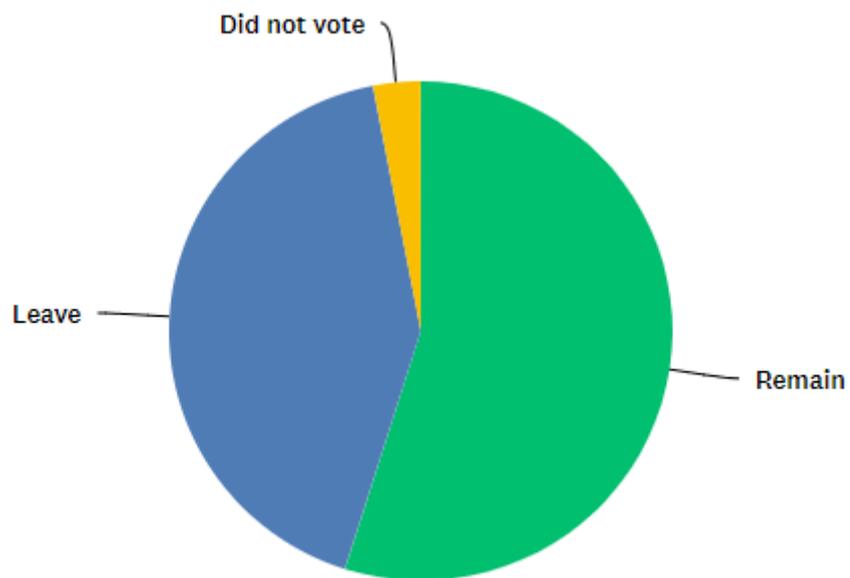
## Full Results:

### Question 1

Due to formatting on Survey Monkey, this question was the contact details section of the survey.

### Question 2

How did you vote in the EU Referendum, held on the 23rd of June 2016?



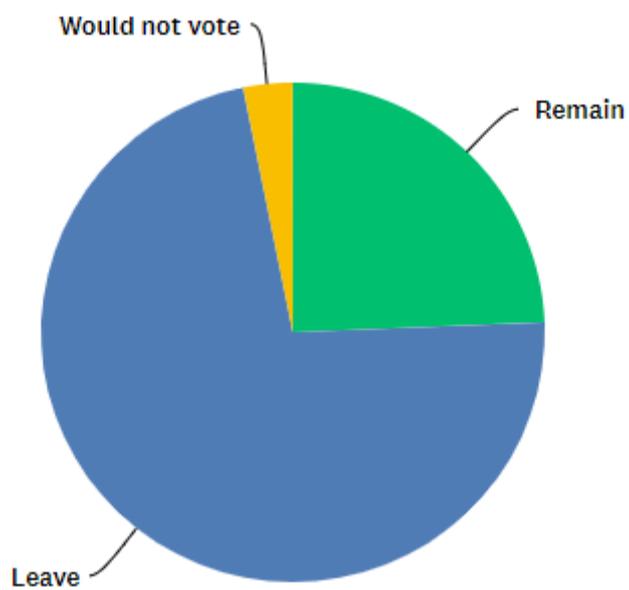
Remain: **54.90%**

Leave: **42.05%**

Did Not Vote: **3.05%**

### Question 3

If you voted to leave in the June 2016 referendum, how would you vote if the same question was posed today?



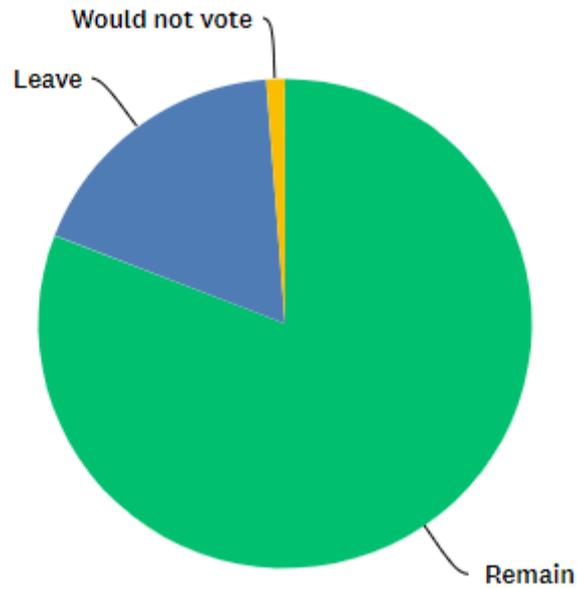
Remain: **24.37%**

Leave: **72.47%**

Would Not Vote: **3.16%**

#### Question 4

If you voted to remain in the June 2016 referendum, how would you vote if the same question was posed today?



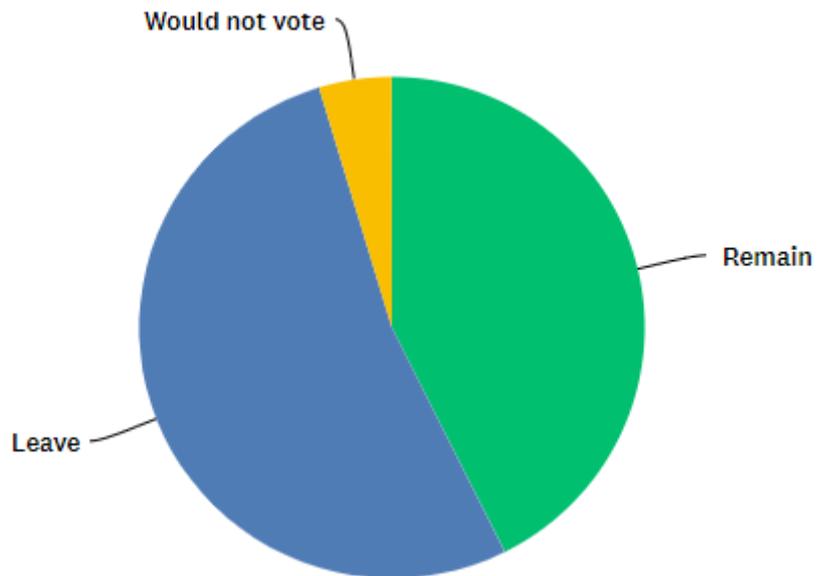
Remain: **80.87%**

Leave: **17.92%**

Would Not Vote: **1.21%**

### Question 5

If you did not vote in the June 2016 referendum, how would you vote if the same question was posed today?



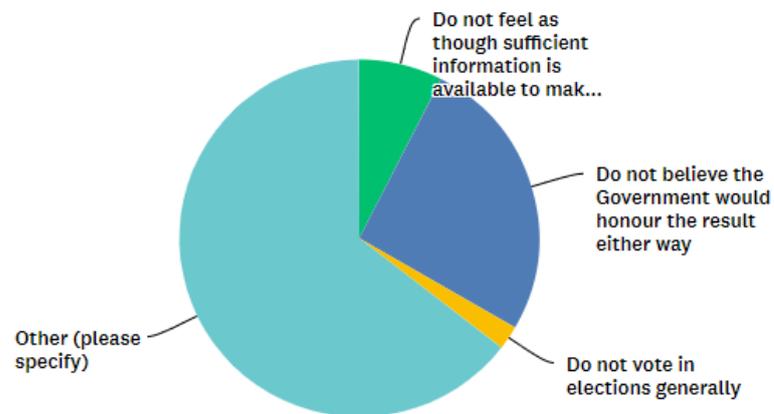
Remain: **42.64%**

Leave: **52.71%**

Would Not Vote: **4.65%**

## Question 6

If you did not vote in the June 2016 referendum, and you would not vote again, why?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Do not feel as though sufficient information is available to make decision	7.53%
Do not believe the Government would honour the result either way	25.81%
Do not vote in elections generally	2.15%
Other (please specify)	Responses 64.52%

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Other (Please specify): **64.52%**

### Selection of Comments:

*'Misinformation from all sides including the EU.'*

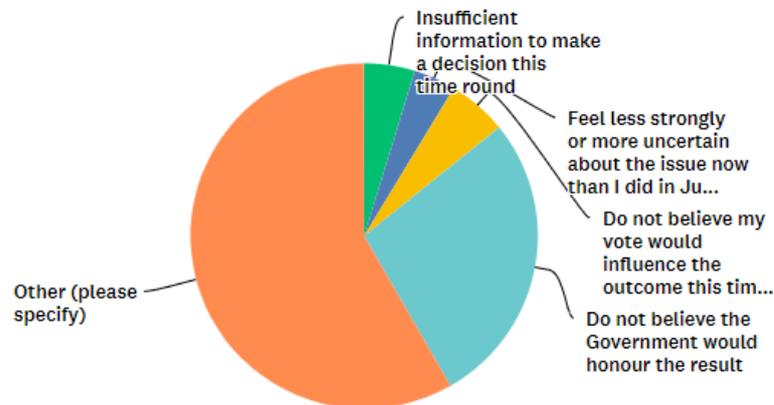
*'there were lies on both sides i voted for the nhs, but that was a lie'*

*'At the time I was not eligible to vote. I felt I had sufficient information, confidence in the Government and would have voted to leave.'*

*'Would never voted out did believe we are better together'*

## Question 7

If you voted in the June 2016 referendum, but would not vote again today, why?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Insufficient information to make a decision this time round	4.72%
Feel less strongly or more uncertain about the issue now than I did in June 2016	3.94%
Do not believe my vote would influence the outcome this time round	5.51%
Do not believe the Government would honour the result	27.56%
Other (please specify)	Responses 58.27%

Insufficient information to make a decision this time round: **4.72%**

Feel less strongly or more uncertain about the issue now than I did in June 2016: **3.94%**

Do not believe my vote would influence the outcome this time round: **5.51%**

Do not believe the Government would honour the result: **27.56%**

Other (Please specify): **58.27%**

### Selection of Comments:

*'Do not know who to trust and what to believe. Lying to persuade people to vote either way should be illegal and punishable. We should be given facts and honest predictions. And something should have been already in place before the vote took place so people knew what they were voting for. This is an absolute disgrace what is going on now and I wish I'd never been part of it.'*

*'We already voted to leave in a democratic vote why vote again????'*

*'Because I voted to remain in 2016 and my opinion still holds. I do not believe there will be/should be another vote'*

*'We must remain to prevent Washington falling into recession and damaging us irreparably in an economic sense.'*

*'In a democracy once a vote is cast and counted, regardless of the result, that vote stands. You do not keep voting until you get the result you want.'*

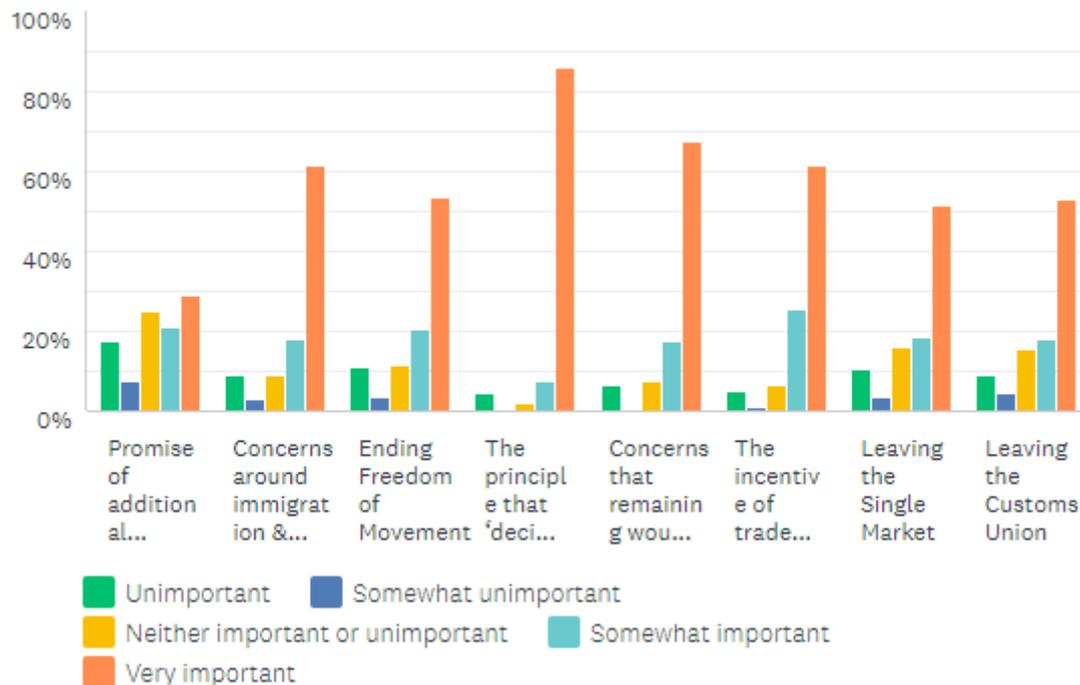
*'I do not believe a second referendum is needed. The majority voted to leave and we should abide by that.'*

*'Both remain and leave campaigns sought to ignore or discredit (usually through gross misrepresentation or outright fabrications) the proposal to remain a member of the EEA through re-joining EFTA. Over the last two years, I, along with others, have promoted the benefits of EFTA/EEA, which allows us to leave the EU without wrecking the economy. You would be surprised how many people are receptive to the idea; however, HMG, the opposition and remain factions are simply not interested and there is no indication this position will change. Therefore, if we had a referendum today, I would not vote as there is no indication that a rational (or any) debate would take place in respect of joining EFTA to remain in the EEA, if the vote resulted in 'Leave'.'*

*'The country remains polar in terms of what they value. The class divide plays a massive part. All I know is I will always vote remain'*

## Question 8

If you voted to leave in 2016, I would like to know what the main factors were behind your decision. Please rate the following issues on a scale of importance to you, from very important to unimportant.



**For Reference, full category names above in order from left to right:**

Promise of additional funding for the NHS

Concerns around immigration & borders

Ending Freedom of Movement

The principle that 'decisions about the UK should be taken in the UK' (particularly in relation to Law making)

Concerns that remaining would mean little or no choice about how the EU expanded its membership or powers

The incentive of trade opportunities outside of the EU

Leaving the Single Market

Leaving the Customs Union

### **Top Three 'Very 'Important Issues':**

**85.77%** - The principle that 'decisions about the UK should be taken in the UK' (particularly in relation to Law making)

**67.53%** - Concerns that remaining would mean little or no choice about how the EU expanded its membership or powers

**61.54%** - The incentive of trade opportunities outside of the EU

### **Selection of Comments:**

*'I voted for the nhs both sides lied and gave us no information.we still dont know what we voted for'*

*'The UK should be run by the UK we should not be in a position to be told what we should do as a country or be held to ransom with over priced payments into the EU. The EU need the UK more than the UK need the EU let them come grovelling to us.'*

*'I voted to leave on the basis that a good deal with the EU that also allowed us to forge own trade deals would be achievable - did not vote for No Deal and Brexit at all costs. I thought pragmatism would come into play and fall back on EFTA should Canada +++ turn out to be Canada - . But both the right wing of the tories and the hard left of Labour are pushing us in this direction. I blame both the incompetence(s) of TM and JC.'*

*'To avoid increasing pressures to join the Euro, and to move towards ever-closer political union, ultimately leading to a Federation or USofE. This was not what we signed up for when we joined the EEC. In fact, much of the concern expressed at the time was centred around this very fear. Considering those initial concerns (about a federal Europe) are over 40 years' old, this has been a litany of deceit played out over many decades. Another concern of mine is the march towards a European Army, another truth that was hotly denied by the Remain camp in the lead up to the referendum, only to be revealed in all its ugliness since.'*

*'Freedom of movement means companies look overseas for trained people to do jobs as opposed to them training up young people who already live here. We live with the results and consequences of this in issues such as long term unemployment, low paid jobs, lack of hope,fulfillment opportunities etc'*

*'I was completely on the fence until referendum day, however the promises by the leave campaign swayed me to vote that way. I feel that I was wholly misled, even as someone who was analytical over both sides' claims.'*

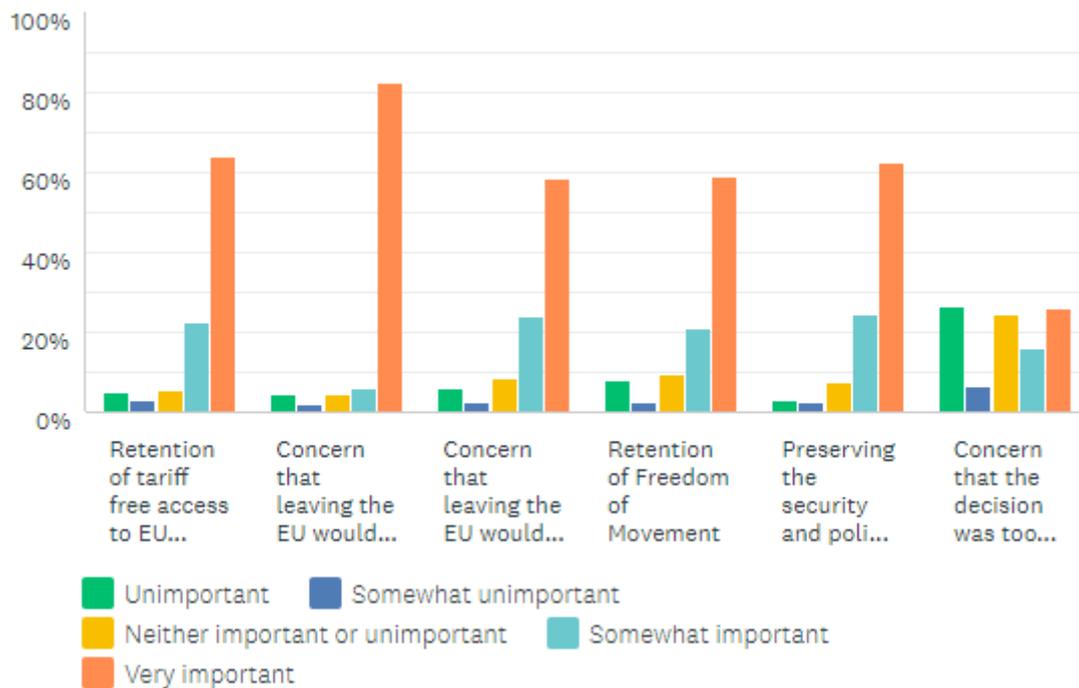
*'The main reason I voted leave was because I believed (and continue to believe) TTIP was a huge risk to our NHS in this climate of underfunding. I didn't (and don't) think our government would stand up to the EU to stop frontline NHS services being dragged into a trans-atlantic bidding process. I still believe they'd see this as an alternative funding source for the NHS and allow our most prestigious organisation be ripped apart by American corporations. I wanted a very very soft brexit, and I'm a big*

*advocate of our amazing customs union and proud of freedom of movement. These issues are important to me and I believed they could be delivered by a competent government, though apparently I was wrong here.'*

*'Deciding that unelected EU officials could decide on UK policy without consulting either Parliament or the English voters determined my vote'*

### Question 9

If you voted to remain in 2016, I would like to know what the main factors were behind your decision. Please rate the following issues on a scale of importance to you, from very important to unimportant.



**For Reference, full category names above in order from left to right:**

Retention of tariff free access to EU Markets

Concern that leaving the EU would be a risk to the UK economy, jobs and prices

Concern that leaving the EU would render the UK politically isolated

Retention of Freedom of Movement

Preserving the security and police cooperation between the EU and the UK

Concern that the decision was too complicated and therefore the best option was to retain the status quo

### **Top Three 'Very Important' Issues:**

**82.72%** - Concern that leaving the EU would be a risk to the UK economy, jobs and prices

**64.12%** - Retention of tariff free access to EU Markets

**62.70%** - Preserving the security and police cooperation between the EU and the UK

### **Selection of Comments:**

*'Brexit will be far too damaging to our region, where we already suffer from lack of job opportunities.'*

*'Being part of a united Europe encourages co operation and support. I would have liked to see the EU reformed to become a less meddling union, allowing each country greater freedom in some areas. Some of what the EU has done is commendable and it seems we threw the baby out with the bath water. Ive heard too many people saying we should make our own decisions as if it would all be OK then. We are capable of huge mistakes left to ourselves.'*

*'I feel people in the north east mainly voted to leave as it was a vote against David Camron and the conservative government as they were pushing to stay. Btw I'm not a Tory I'm a labour supporter xx'*

*'Remaining linked to European science and medical development ensuring we continue to have access to the best drugs, medical advances as well as technology and education. If we don't have access to those markets and institutions how can offer the best opportunities for our young people and the future of our country.'*

*'I don't believe putting all the power with Westminster is the best and safest option for the people of the North East and I feel the protections offered from the EU far outweigh any mythical benefits brexit is supposed to bring. The North East has time and again been neglected by those in power in London whilst we have benefitted more from european funding and this process should not be acted upon just so the rich can become richer whilst areas such as Sunderland will be decimated by this economic suicide'*

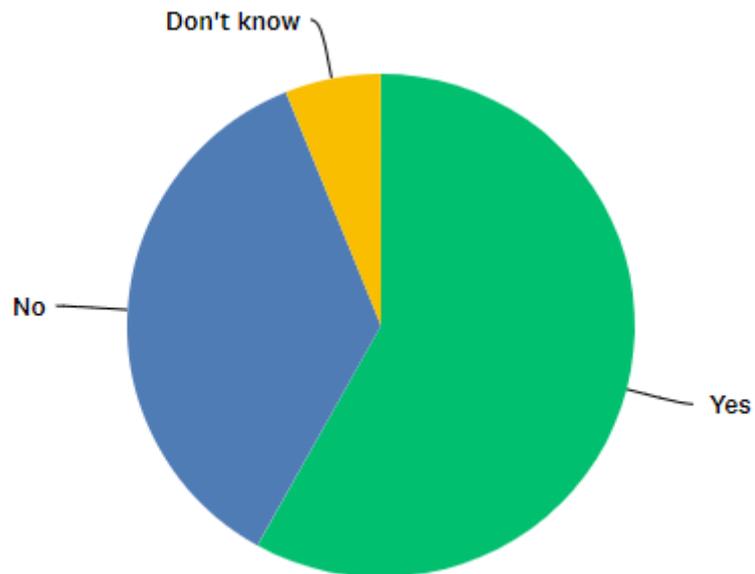
*'The decision for the public, in large part was based on an emotive argument and was by and large a protest vote. The very same people although given the facts of the case, retain their decision (despite the economic effect) because Of the mistrust instilled by years of conservative government and a right wing press.'*

*'The main reason that I voted remain was that continued cooperation with our neighbours across Europe that has maintained relative peace on the continent for many years. I think this is slightly different to the item on security listed.'*

*'I was initially tempted to vote LEAVE to regain UK sovereignty and also to protest at the disgraceful way the EU had treated Greece. The final result showed that there were many issues to be balanced by voters and that a simple YES/NO format could not effectively determine the nation's majority opinion on any one of those issues, despite what the more extreme voices on both sides of the argument constantly try to assert.'*

**Question 10**

**For any exit deal to be ratified, Parliament must first vote in favour of it. Do you believe that the electorate should also have to approve a deal before it can be ratified?**



Yes: **58.11%**

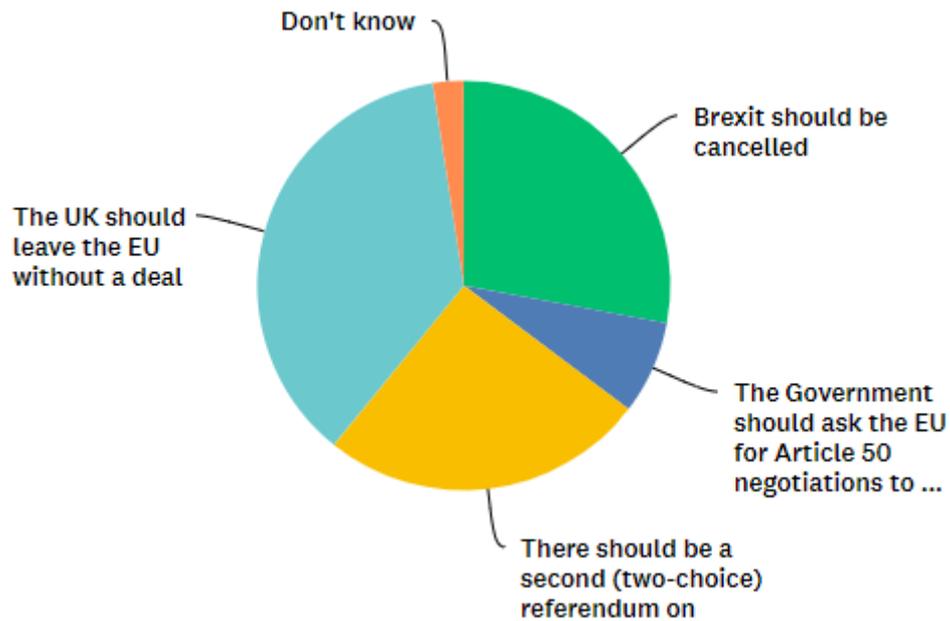
No: **35.79%**

Don't know: **6.10%**

### Question 11

#### If the Government does not reach a deal with the EU, what should happen?

*(Note that this question now does not apply, as the UK Government has agreed a deal with the EU)*



Brexit should be cancelled: **27.93%**

The Government should ask the EU for Article 50 negotiations to be extended: **7.38%**

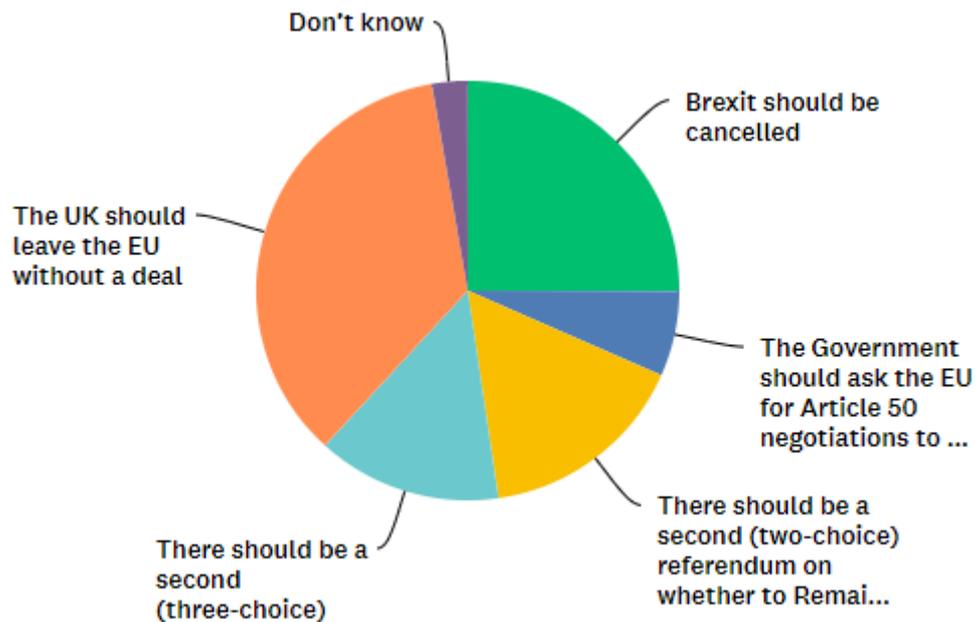
There should be a second (two-choice) referendum on whether to remain or to leave without a deal: **25.52%**

The UK should leave the EU without a deal: **36.76%**

Don't know: **2.41%**

## Question 12

If the Government reaches a deal with the EU, but Parliament rejects it, what should happen?



Brexit should be cancelled: **25.04%**

The Government should ask the EU for Article 50 negotiations to be extended: **6.58%**

There should be a second (two-choice) referendum on whether to Remain, or to Leave without a deal: **16.05%**

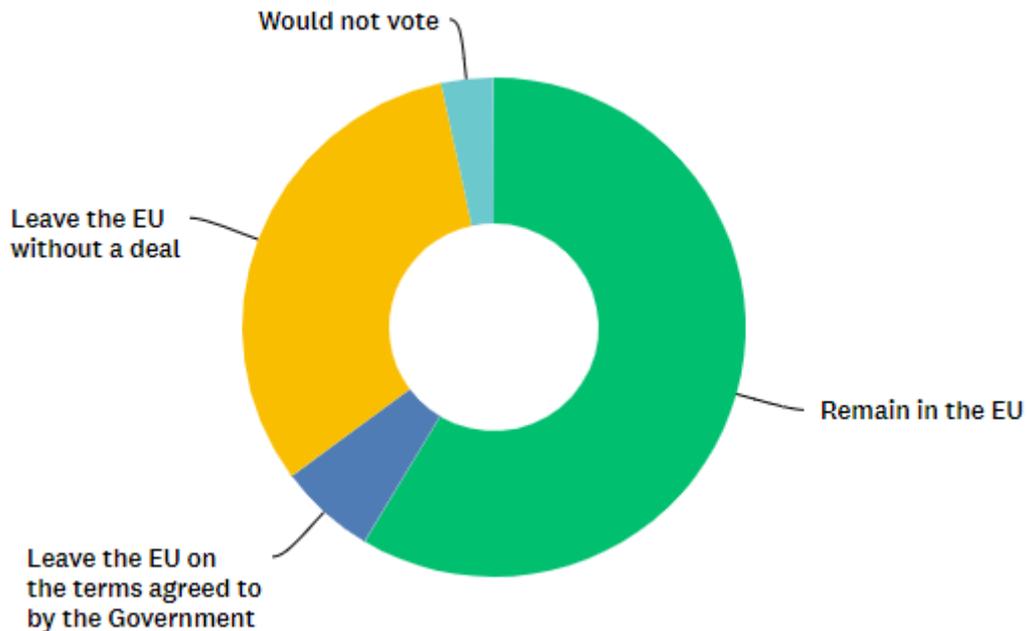
There should be a second (three-choice) referendum on whether to Remain, accept the Government's deal to Leave, or Leave without a deal: **14.13%**

The UK should leave the EU without a deal: **35.47%**

Don't know: **2.73%**

### Question 13

A "People's Vote" would present the electorate with a choice between three alternatives at the end of the Brexit negotiations. It would allow voters to choose between Remaining in the EU, Leaving the EU on the terms agreed to by the Government, or Leaving the EU without a deal. Regardless of how you responded to the previous two questions, how would you vote if there was a People's Vote?



Remain in the EU: **58.59%**

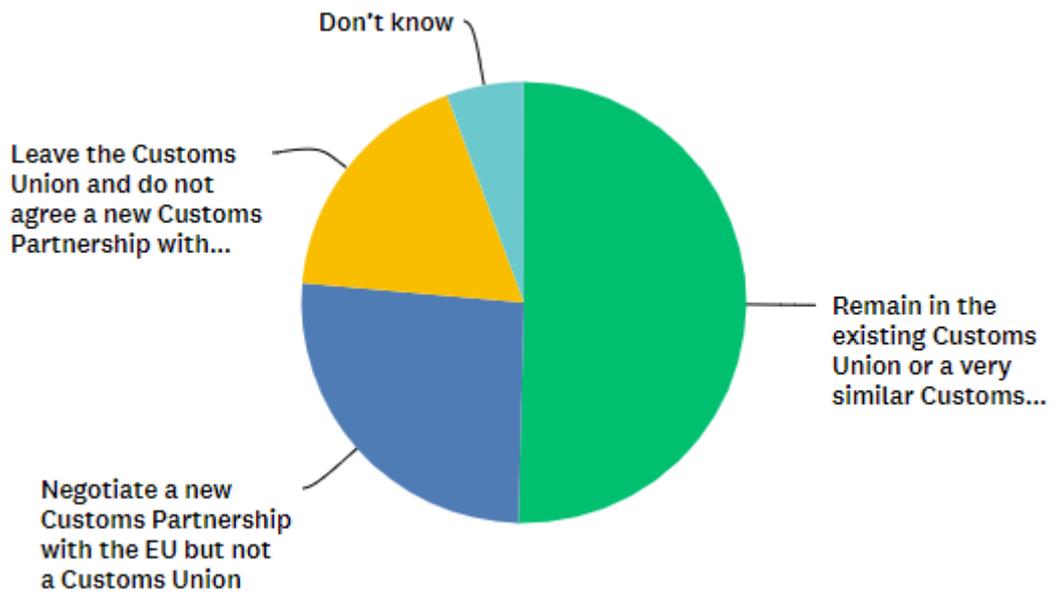
Leave the EU on the terms agreed to by the Government: **6.26%**

Leave without a deal: **31.78%**

Would not vote: **3.37%**

**Question 14**

**With regards to the EU Customs Union, which of the below options would you prefer once we have left the EU?**



Remain in the existing Customs Union or a very similar Customs Union with the EU: **50.40%**

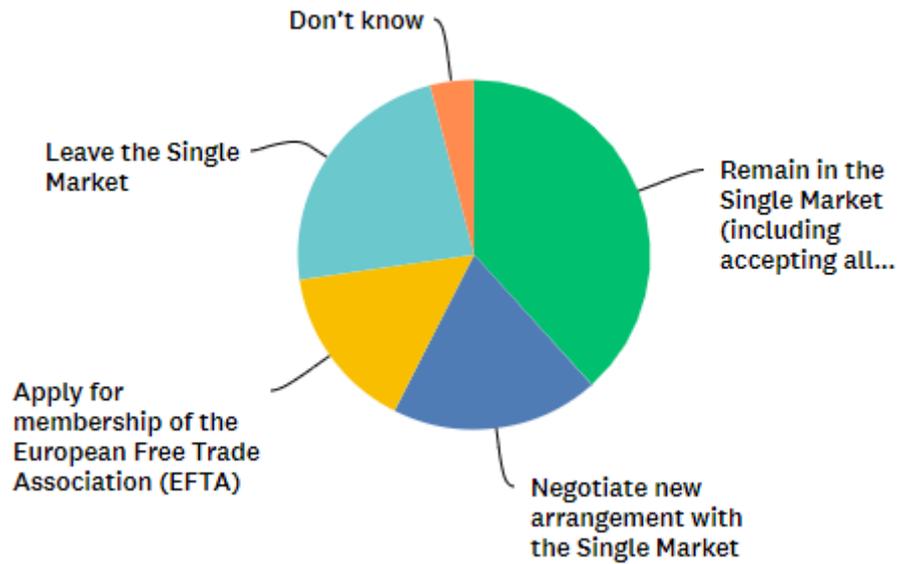
Negotiate a new Customs Partnership with the EU but not a Customs Union: **26.00%**

Leave the Customs Union and do not agree a new Customs Partnership with the EU: **17.98%**

Don't know: **5.62%**

### Question 15

With regards to the EU Single Market, which of the below options would you prefer once we have left the EU?



Remain in the Single Market (including accepting all conditions associated): **38.36%**

Negotiate new arrangement with the Single Market: **19.10%**

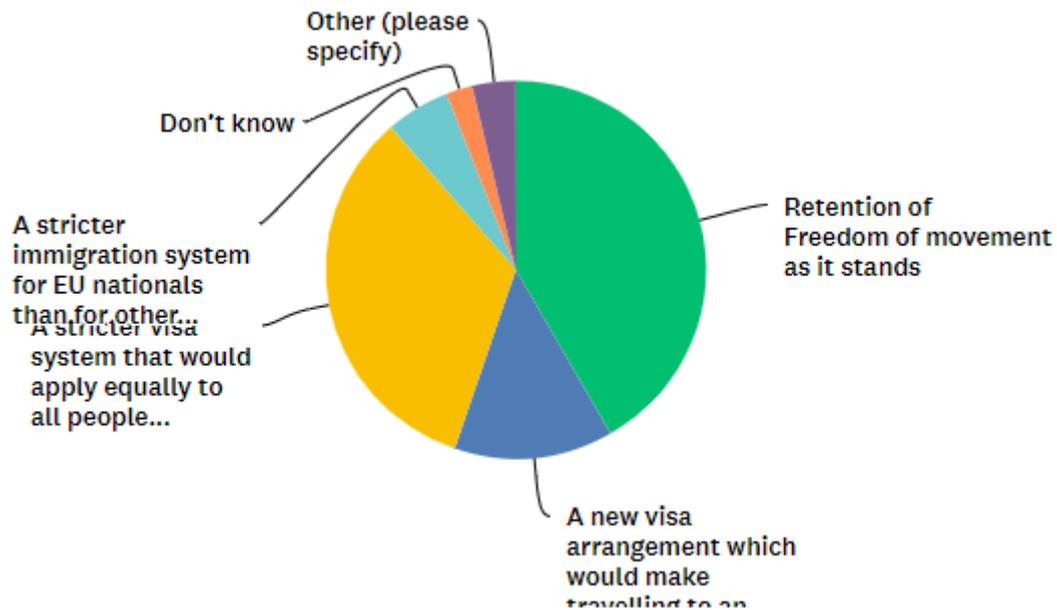
Apply for membership of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA): **15.25%**

Leave the Single Market: **23.72%**

Don't know: **4.01%**

## Question 16

With regards to EU immigration, which of the below options would you prefer once we have left the EU?



Retention of Freedom of movement as it stands: **41.73%**

A new visa arrangement which would make travelling to and from the EU easier than it currently is with countries outside of the EU: **13.48%**

A stricter visa system that would apply equally to all people travelling to or from all countries, including those within the EU: **33.39%**

A stricter immigration system for EU nationals than for other select countries: **5.46%**

Don't know: **2.25%**

Other (Please specify): **3.69%**

### Selection of Comments:

*'Politicians have failed the country by allowing Brexit to possibly become a reality. Around 50% of migration into our country was from people who came from outside the EU, we could have stopped that at any time if we wanted to, not that I think it migration was necessary. We could have even controlled EU migration but made the choice no to. Foreign people coming to live in our should never have been an issue and wouldn't have been if everything was explained to our people.'*

*'Border controls in place as they were prior to the EU freedom of travel agreement'*

*'I believe this is a two phase issue. Phase 1 - repatriate decision making to the UK. Phase 2 - we can then have a sensible discussion about immigration in which my preference is to be fairly liberal although I do think numbers of arrivals have been too high in the last 10-15 years. In fact the total of arrivals has been pretty amazing.'*

*'regulated movement of people. Free movement allows for the race to the bottom of wages. Compulsory trade union membership for all persons entering the country to work meaning that nobody can undercut wages. It improves both the economy, workers rights and racial tensions.'*

*'I agree with freedom of movement within the EU but feel with current immigration levels being so high there should be a period where immigration is offered to those from outside the EU like that of Australia/USA. Could we not have some kind of system that allows people into UK who have a job to come to or a legitimate family connection or are sponsored by UK nationals? I accept its complicated but feel there is an issue around immigration that needs addressing when I listen to peers, colleagues etc.'*

*'A sovereign visa system (not necessarily 'stricter') appropriate to present times and circumstances: One that permits people deemed desirable or acceptable by the UK Government to enter the country (in order to contribute through work or study) but imposes barriers to those the UK Government deems will not benefit the UK by their presence.'*

## Question 17

**Do you have any further comments on the way that the Brexit process has unfolded thus far?**

### **Selection of Comments:**

*'The whole process is disappointing, the people voted to leave and that vote should be honoured (rightly or wrongly). The parties need to work together to get this sorted. The process and development is as clear as mud. Personally I don't think the deadline will be met, which will give the people of the UK no confidence in any of our leaders, which will leave us vulnerable.'*

*'For Sunderland and surrounding area the risk to Nissan (and it's suppliers etc) is huge if there is no deal ensuring free trade. I do not work for Nissan but realise the devastating effect this would have on our community should this occur. I am sure there are many other businesses in our area and countryside that will suffer in the same way due to Brexit. In addition I feel that the many deprived areas of the North East benefit greatly from membership of the EU, with grants to support projects to improve these communities. I do not feel this money would be replaced by government (whoever was in power).'*

*'Should not have had referendum until desired exit strategy had passed through parliament. Therefore 'leave' would have been defined. Shouldn't have triggered art 50 before exit strategy had been passed through parliament.'*

*'This survey is a great example of what "Should" have happened after the 2016 referendum, rather than any people taking their own interpretation of the result, the clear lack of questioning and communication since the referendum has led us to a dire place indeed'*

*'We didnt know what we were voting for and still dont there were lies on both sides'*

*'The closer we get to the final Brexit date the more the EU will worry about our partnership and they will want a deal even a bespoke one'*

*'Ultimately I never wanted to Leave the EU, but I fear that Parliament dividing its attention on whether or not to have a second referendum might weaken us. The result was to Leave, for better or worse, and we should all wholeheartedly focus on making our leave from the EU a smooth one, taking hold of any opportunities it may present us.'*

*'I think the sooner we leave completely the sooner we can rebuild our country and prosper like the great nation we are. Please please will polititions have faith in our Great Britain and get us out ASAP  
😊'*

*'A complete and utter waste of money when councils up and down the country are crippled from years of funding cuts.'*

*'Disastrously! I think the negotiations should have been cross party. It's too big an issue for one party to take control of.'*

*'I did not believe the government could negotiate a good deal and I still don't think they can.'*

## **Question 18**

**Do you have any further comments about your priorities (if any) for a potential deal with the EU?**

### **Selection of Comments:**

*'The deal must allow us to trade freely without EU restrictions so we can trade with other economies, encourage investment in the UK and recruit the best people from inside and outside the EU. This area cannot survive economically with such suppressed wages and limited opportunity'*

*'Ensuring a free trade agreement or remaining as we are, is essential for many businesses in our area and countrywide. Failure to ensure this will lead to years of stunted economic growth affecting us and generations to come.'*

*'My priority is to remain, I do not believe it is possible to get a better deal than the one we currently have. I also think that the people should be given a vote on the final deal for the sake of democracy. I would have accepted leaving the EU if the negotiations had been handled correctly and hadn't been based in lies. The people must vote again for the sake of democracy and for people to retain some faith in politics.'*

*'Tariff free trade is an absolute must for the North East economy.'*

*'Remain in the EEA via EFTA, using (i) country specific protocols to reach agreements on farming and fishing, and (ii) using country specific protocols, enhanced customs co-operation and technological solutions to solve the Irish border issue.'*

*'We voted to leave - lets just leave!'*

*'If we do have to settle for a deal without there being a second referendum, then maintaining a customs union is critical to avoid border delays for goods (thinking of Just In Time arrangements use by, for example, Nissan and their supply chain) and tariffs. These delays and costs could see major companies decide to relocate to the EU post-Brexit if they feel they are too onerous. I know Nissan have claimed they are not considering moving currently, though this could change if costs rise and I know there are two locations they could use.'*

*'We both rely on each other - but Europe seem to want to keep asking for more - lets face it they dont wish to give us a good deal as others will want to leave - Italy, Greece for example'*

*'It would be my view that leaving the EU would not be in the best interests of the majority of people. But human rights, workers rights, health, an embracing of other cultures should be High on our list of priorities.'*

*'My business requires frictionless free movement between UK and Germany. I run an equipment rental company with warehouses in both UK and Germany with daily traffic of goods in less than 12 hours between the two...any barrier to prevent this (import duty/import VAT/increased time) will force me out of business and cost jobs'*

*'I'm particularly concerned about the impact on NHS staffing & medicines, Science & Euratom. Access to cancer drugs & isotopes for CT& PETscans are central to my life at the moment.'*

*'It's vital for the North East that we stay in the single market and the customs union'*

## **Question 19**

### **Do you have any further comments about Brexit in general?**

#### **Selection of Comments:**

*'I am strongly in favour of Brexit being reversed. I think a People's Vote would be the best way for this to happen.'*

*'There has been so much data put out since the first referendum that people now have available. The impact assessments I am aware of all point to us being worse off, no matter what form of Brexit occurs. GDP eventually 2% worse even with single market and customs union, 3 to 5% worse with just customs union, 8% worse with hard Brexit and manufacturing particularly hard hit. The impact on jobs is not yet clear, though if Nissan and Airbus UK leave, jobs will be lost not only from those companies, but also all the way through their supply chains. This is now worrying people greatly. Domestic costs will also be greater and I have read 12% on the weekly shopping bill is likely with hard Brexit. An anonymous survey is the best way forward (I have chosen to stay anonymous), as I have seen instances where Remain supporters have chosen to stay quiet for fear of being shouted down by Brexit supporters, sometimes quite forcefully. I hear "Project Fear" often quoted, even though some of the sources of new information are non-aligned. I have seen a shift in opinion, suggesting a second referendum would give a different result. I will point to a Yougov poll suggesting a 50/50 split now in the north east of England, a large shift from the 16% advantage Brexit had in the north east back in 2016. People are beginning to realise what Brexit is. This shift in opinion cannot be ignored by Government as I feel it is at the moment. I think given the extra information and the opinion shift, a second vote is essential. Thank you for the chance to allow me to make my feelings clear.'*

*'The referendum campaigns were weak at best on both sides, and disingenious at worst on the part of leave. I believe the result was influenced by individuals seeking political gain rather than providing the electorate with an informed choice.'*

*'The UK has overall voted to leave the EU. The UK is in a strong position to achieve a good result and retake control of our affairs then go onto better things in a worldwide market'*

*'The referendum result must be honoured leave means leave not half in and half out.'*

*'The referendum result must be respected. If people conclude their vote doesn't count we go down a dangerous path.'*

*'Democracy has spoken so we must leave its that simple. We can forge a new beginning of trade to make our country great once more.'*

*'What has mainly annoyed me is the scare mongering going on in the news etc about what will happen if we leave. All because the people voted to leave and there are people who didn't like the result and want a revote. That's like saying hang on we didn't win can we do it again.'*

*'The people voted for it, and we live in a democracy so it has to go ahead to the best of our ability. However, the likely situation of a no deal with the EU then should trigger a new referendum on a whether to remain or accept a no deal brexit as that is not what people voted in the referendum for. They expected the governemnt to improve the situation whereas a no deal would significantly damage the country in more ways than I can explain. Either leave with a deal, or remain.'*

*'That it is a mistake to leave without any deal and no one can accurately predict the future outcome. The benefits of remaining in the EU outweigh the minuses.'*

*'I can see no positive outcomes for the country post Brexit, I feel the current government are making a total mess of the negotiation process and I have real concerns that we may end up walking away with a "no deal" outcome, which would be disastrous'*

*'It was a bad idea to have a referendum just to try and solve an internal dispute in the Conservative Party. Those responsible for calling the referendum should have been held to account for the mess they have created. Not given the chance to resign.'*