THE FIGHT OF OUR GENERATION.

LET'S STOP THE BREXIT MADNESS.
70% of 18-24 year olds voted to Remain in the EU referendum, with 1.5 million other young people unable to vote at the time. Now, as the true impact of Brexit becomes clearer, as the lies and mistruths of the referendum fade away, the chaos and madness we see today means that as daughters and granddaughters, sons and grandsons all across the country, we need your help to save our future.

We know that you have spent years fighting for a better future - and now a Tory Hard Brexit threatens many of the hard won rights you have won for us - and the future is looking worse for generations to come. Stockpiling, shortages, jobs at risk, an NHS in crisis, the peace process threatened and hate crime rising - this is not the future that Labour voters, supporters and members have fought and worked for generations to see handed down to the next generation.

But Brexit is not inevitable. It is obvious that from the current trajectory of negotiations, that young people's futures will be severely damaged by leaving the European Union. It’s clear that the Brexit that many people voted for is not what they’ve got now. Nor do people have faith in this Tory Government to deliver one which protects our economy, our role in the world and opportunities for young people.

People will ask us all - ‘What did you do when Brexit risked the future life chances of so many?’.

This is the fight of our generation and we will be able to say we did everything we could, just like every generation before - to bring about a better future. It’s time to stop the Brexit madness and use your voice to demand a People’s Vote.

We are young people and students organising against Brexit and fighting for a People’s Vote on the final Brexit deal - and our generation needs your generation’s help to save our future.

Whilst the Trump's and Farage's of politics can try to divide us - we can’t let the far right win. We have to stand united and refuse to allow them to ruin Britain.

Labour Party Conference is just weeks away, and if the conference votes to support a People’s Vote, it will be a huge step to fighting a Tory Hard Brexit. With ‘No Deal' now a realistic possibility - it’s up to our movement to ensure Brexiter's like Boris Johnson and Jacob Rees Mogg don’t break Britain’s future and we need your help.

Just like the many fights throughout history, it is vital that all Labour members can have their say. We now need to pass motions and speak out in favour of getting a People's Vote onto the agenda so that we can help save our future. Any motion which supports the People's Vote will make a difference.

To win, we need to organise. Taking inspiration from the campaigns of your generation - we need you to fight again, with us, and alongside your neighbours, colleagues and family members and it will be your help and support that will make all the difference over the next few weeks.

This pack contains everything you need to make the case for a People’s Vote.

LET’S GET GOING! >
THIS IS NOT THE FUTURE YOUR GENERATION FOUGHT TO GIVE OUR GENERATION.
THIS IS THE BREXIT NO ONE VOTED FOR:

Regardless of Leave or Remain, only since the referendum, has the true impact of Brexit become clear - including the increasing possibility of the impact of a 'no deal' Brexit.

Threats from extreme right wingers to have the UK crash out of the EU with no deal or cause civil disruption need to be faced down, not appeased. We don’t fight racists by letting them have their way.

Hate crimes rocketed by almost a third in the UK following the referendum, with unprecedented spikes around the EU referendum and terror attacks recorded by police in 2017. Boris Johnson, Jacob Rees-Mogg and Michael Gove are in regular contact with Steve Bannon, Trump’s former advisor who told the French far right to be ‘proud’ to be called racist.

We must not let them get away with it. We have to fight back and stop the hate.

Now, the Government’s own assessments of the impact have laid the consequences bare, such as:

1. Future generations would lose opportunities to study abroad, and universities would lose access to billions in research funding. The UK, under ‘no deal’ would drop out of the Erasmus programme, which provides our young people with the opportunity to live, study, and work abroad. And our proud universities would lose access to billions in EU funding which supports cutting-edge research in institutions across Britain.

2. The financial services industry, a cornerstone of the UK economy, would be extremely badly hit. With financial services unable to provide services on equal terms across Europe, and may have to open new offices in the EU after Brexit - a fundamental disruption of operations.

3. UK workers would lose the right to claim compensation when companies go bust. Despite the Government’s promise that worker’s rights will be unaffected by Brexit, the impact assessments show UK employees of EU companies may lose their right to compensation in case of insolvency.

THE TORIES’ BOTCHED BREXIT WILL MEAN EVEN MORE AUSTERITY.
BREXIT FACTS:
OUR PUBLIC SERVICES ARE AT RISK.

A. **75% of UK businesses which trade internationally, trade with the EU** and 3 Million jobs are linked to our trade with the EU. 48% of direct foreign investment in the UK comes from the EU but since the referendum result, the UK has gone from being the fastest growing economy in the G7 to one of the slowest.

B. **Brexit has already cost us more than £200 million a week in lost growth**, the Bank of England says, and far from £350m a week extra for the NHS, Brexit is damaging the health service by putting off doctors and nurses from coming to work in Britain and will mean less money for the NHS because of the new pressures that Brexit is putting on public spending.

C. **Brexit will cost us a £50 billion divorce bill and we will be paying until 2064** – it’s harder to think of a bigger waste of money than paying for something where we will have no say on how the money gets spent.

**NOBODY VOTED TO TURN THE CLOCKS BACK ON WOMEN’S AND WORKERS RIGHTS.**

Women’s labour rights could be rolled back under plans for a highly deregulated economy. Trade barriers are most likely to affect industries dominated by women – such as textiles and clothing – resulting in job losses.

Innumerable women’s groups, such as the Lancashire Women’s Centre (LWC), are funded by the EU. LWC alone are about to lose 15% of their funding in one fell swoop, with nothing to replace it.

**All of these are protections won for women, by the European Union.** Do we really trust those leading Brexit to protect our hard won rights?

An independent study on the impact of Brexit on women, published by the Fawcett Society and the Women’s Budget Group a couple of months ago, made clear how many women’s groups, such as the Lancashire Women’s Centre (LWC), are funded by the EU. LWC alone are about to lose 15% of their funding in one fell swoop, with nothing to replace it.

**Britain’s plummeting GDP – at a predicted rate of 1.5% to 9.5% – will almost certainly lead to a cut in government spending, which will adversely impact women the most.** And we all know how austerity cuts to social services, from libraries to women’s centres, are already making the lives of women in Britain desperately difficult.
THE ARGUMENTS TO MAKE FOR A PEOPLE’S VOTE:

Given that so much has changed since the referendum and the true facts around Brexit have become increasingly clear - a People’s Vote is our generation’s chance to take back control and save our future.

1. We respect and understand the grievances that led to a Brexit vote. Wages have stagnated, austerity has cut deep and the working classes have been forgotten. But we firmly believe that Brexit will make those problems worse, not better. There’s nothing socialist about the UK becoming poorer or more insular. The People’s Vote campaign is not a rerun of the 2016 referendum - it is a call for the British public to be given a say on whether the final deal for leaving the European Union is what they want. The ballot paper for the referendum in 2016 simply asked people whether they wanted to leave - it didn’t specify terms and politicians on all sides of the debate made conflicting claims about what leaving would mean.

2. We’re heading for a botched Tory Brexit. This deeply divided government is making such a mess of negotiations that a bad deal is now unavoidable. For all the promises of a ‘Brexit dividend’, extra money for the NHS is to be financed from higher taxes and borrowing while ministers cannot even agree on a feasible solution for the Irish border that protects the peace process. Britain is fast running out of time to stop Brexit and to stop far right Brexeters pushing for no deal with the EU.

3. The future of this country and young people is too important to be decided by politicians alone. They have failed to unite around the national interest. With the Tories hopelessly divided by Brexit, only Labour can lead the call in parliament to rethink this catastrophic outcome and for a Peoples Vote.

4. Brexit has already hammered our economy and nobody voted to be poorer. We know from the Governor of the Bank of England, Mark Carney, that Brexit has already cost 2% in lost predicted growth and that each household is £900 less well-off than it would have been, had the UK voted to remain in the EU. Even the Government now admits Brexit will damage our economy in every scenario and our public services will be at risk.

5. With no £350m extra a week for the NHS our health service is in crisis. The Nursing and Midwifery Council says applications from EU nurses to work in the UK have fallen by 89% since the referendum and the number of EU nurses and midwives leaving the UK increased by 67% last year.

6. Our security is at risk - according to the Think Tank, RUSI, Brexit will undermine European security and see the UK losing its lead role in European military operations. It was through collective action in the EU, that Theresa May was able to garner Europe-wide support in the wake of the Salisbury attack, rubbishing the idea that the EU does not play an important role in European security and defence.

7. The only way to stop the Brexit madness is through a People’s Vote - there is no Parliamentary majority for any Brexit deal and we are increasingly walking towards a no deal Brexit. A people’s vote is the way we can get out of the Brexit mess once and for all. Analysis shows there are now 341 constituencies with a majority to remain in the EU and only 291 with a leave majority - with nearly half in England now voting remain.
8. Leaving the Single Market will do so much damage to the economy it could stop us being able to make the public investment we badly need - Even the minimal estimates of losing £30bn a year would mean a future Labour government would struggle to protect school budgets which pay for our teachers and support staff; free school meals will still be at risk. And our parents and grandparents – who are already suffering in the teeth of the care crisis – will face an even bleaker future. Labour cannot allow this to happen to them.

9. A People’s Vote would also allow the question of whether to remain in the EU. Whilst there are differing views on what the question should be put to the public e.g. to accept the deal, to ask for more negotiations or to reject outright, a vote would give us the chance for a better outcome for Britain to be considered.

10. There’s no reason not to - David Davis said back in 2013: ‘If a democracy cannot change its mind, it ceases to be a democracy.’ Well, for once Dave, we agree with you. That’s why we refuse to accept that Brexit is inevitable.

## HOW WE CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN:

The Labour Party should give the British people the opportunity to have the final say on Brexit - and by passing motions at your CLP we can ensure that Labour Party Conference is a powerful voice in making this happen. It has to be THIS conference - with the government negotiating their way to a hard no deal Brexit right now.

To help out you can:

1. Submit and vote for a motion at your CLP
2. Lobby your Labour conference delegates
3. Share our arguments online

For more information visit www.ffsakes.uk

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Across the Country constituency Labour parties are voting to send such motions to conference - and the more motions on Brexit, the more likely it is that it will be one of the four areas of policy debated and discussed and so influence Labour Party policy.

For more information on passing motions you can speak with our team - get in touch with us and join in through www.ffsakes.uk/ourgeneration.