It is now almost six months since the referendum. We have been told repeatedly that "Brexit means Brexit" but still have no idea what that means. The Government lost the court case regarding the triggering of Article 50. Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales have now taken their arguments to the Supreme Court and judgement will be delivered in the New Year.

The Government continually tell us that they are following the will of the people. 17½ million votes out of a total population of 65 million is not "the will of the people" by any stretch of the imagination. The 3 people who have been given the huge task of negotiating Brexit frankly seem clueless. All parties with the exception of the Liberal Democrats and the SNP seem hell bent on voting to trigger Article 50. This despite the fact that the vast majority of MP's were in favour of remaining before the referendum.

The recent by-election result should be ringing huge alarm bells to the Prime Minister and her 3 negotiators and yet they seem determined to take the whole of the UK down the path to fascism. The Conservative Party is giving in to the extreme right wing and the Labour Party are being led down a path to self destruction.

There are very worrying signs in the UK that we are being forced down a path very similar to that of Nazi Germany In the 1930's and this is being reflected in the USA and is now creeping into the European Union itself. Has our Government forgotten the millions who died in two World Wars? Are we destined to follow this path again?

The UK will be torn apart if Article 50 is triggered and it is time to put aside personal and party issues. We need to admit that it will be a huge mistake to leave Europe, we are all Europeans and need to realise that - "We have more in common than that which divides us".

This letter is being sent to all MP's from both sides of the house who campaigned to Remain in the European Union.

Parliament must vote on whether the UK can start the process of leaving the EU, the High Court has ruled.

This is a victory for democracy and for those of us who were devastated at the result of the referendum. Many people have changed their minds about leaving as they see the consequences begin to unfold even before we leave. Will you now please follow your conscience and vote against Article 50 being triggered for the sake of peace in Europe now and for those who will follow us.

A reminder taken from the Parliamentary website.

"Members of Parliament have a general duty to act in the interests of the nation as a whole and a special duty to their constituents".

This is especially relevant to those MP's whose constituencies voted to Remain and also means that Scotland and Northern Ireland's vote **must** be taken into consideration.

The words of a true patriot

We hope to reach again a Europe united but purged of the slavery of ancient, classical times – a Europe in which men will be proud to say, "I am a European". We hope to see a Europe where men of every country will think as much of being a European as of belonging to their native land, and that without losing any part of their love and loyalty to their birthplace. We hope wherever they go in this wide domain, to which we set no limits in the European continent, they will truly feel "Here I am at home. I am a citizen of this country too".

Winston Churchill Amsterdam 9th May 1948

The High Court has ruled that the article 50 process will need an act of parliament and immediately the ruling was given, the pound strengthened against both the US dollar and the Euro, as it has done every time there is even a slight indication in favour of the UK staying in the EU.

I sincerely hope that you will vote for what you believe to be in the best interests of the country's long term future and not how you are told to vote.

There is something very wrong with our country when our politicians have to watch everything they say in case they get pulled apart by the media. Our politicians not the media, should be the mouthpiece of the people.

The whole Brexit fiasco was not based on truth or facts, it was based almost entirely on lies and propaganda. The result is now obvious but it must stop.

We are in dire need of some kind of Truth Law, where we are all accountable to one another, especially those in which we entrust power as a source of information (politicians, media etc.).

Please for goodness sake do the right thing and vote against article 50 and if we end up needing a second referendum, let it be based on truth and not lies.

Following the High Court judgment that only Parliament has the authority to trigger article 50 of the Treaty on European Union, I am writing to you as someone who voted to remain to implore you to act according to your conscience and in the interests of the country, in doing so honouring the code of conduct you agreed to uphold as a representative of the people. Any MP with the integrity and courage to stand up and oppose something they know will damage the UK beyond repair would have my utmost respect.

It is increasingly obvious that our political system needs to change. The apathy that has surrounded politics and Government for many years is on the turn, triggered by recent events. Many are now questioning the validity of the current structure and looking towards Proportional Representation as a fairer system of electing our representatives. MPs from all parties need to start working together for the good of the UK as a whole and those who deliberately lie or mislead the public should be held accountable in law.

Would you like to be remembered in the history books as someone who helped save our country?

Following the High Court decision regarding the triggering of article 50 it is now becoming clearer that this whole Brexit movement has been based on mistruths. The lack of transparency and integrity displayed by those who were elected to represent the best interests of our country is deplorable.

The people of Great Britain are suffering physically and psychologically because of the direction of a handful of ambitious people. If this situation remains unaddressed and is allowed to gather momentum, one can but fear what the final consequences will be. The past four months paints a sorry picture and the saddest thing of all, is that it was all so unnecessary.

One thing that has become very apparent through all of this, is that a Truth Law could have prevented all that has taken place. Is it so very much to ask that politicians and the media actually tell the truth?

I implore you to follow your conscience and vote against triggering article 50 for the sake of all concerned.

Thank you for your reply although I very much doubt if you wrote it, or even read my email or my letter.

In short I am shocked to read that you are "disappointed" that the High Court ruled that Parliament, not the Government or the Conservative Party and certainly not the Prime Minister, holds sovereignty in the United Kingdom. Please remember that you are not above the law but subservient to it.

I have nothing further to add.

The EU referendum was months ago and the citizens of the country stand in a state of limbo as we wait to find out exactly what Brexit means. Theresa May is intent on carrying out 'the will of the people', which is only the will of just over 17 million of the people. The will of the 16 plus million, who did not vote to leave and the countless disenfranchised voters who did not get a say, is being trampled over with complete disregard and now not enough people in positions of authority are speaking for them, having been told to toe the party line, even though the majority of MP's voted to remain. It now also seems that even many of the people who did vote Leave did not vote for the way the country is currently heading.

The gutter press is being allowed to run amok with blatant lies which is adding to the unrest in the country and the fact that Neo-Nazi rallies are being allowed to take place once again just shows that the racists think that they can now come out in the open and behave as they please. It now looks as if taxpayers money is going to be used to placate big companies who are talking about moving out of the country.

Historically, the signs that countries are heading for a fall, or that the build up is beginning that could well end up in war are not seen until it is too late. Are we heading that way once again? Nobody believes it could possibly happen until it is too late to stop. With the weaponry that is available these days, another war would be catastrophic.

I very much hope that people will take their heads out of the sand and see what is going on before we fall off the cliff we are heading for. It is not scaremongering, it is reality.

I am writing to you in accordance with the following recommendation stated on the Parliamentary website:

"You should always contact your local MP first to raise an issue at Parliament. However, if your campaign is of general or national importance, you could also contact other MPs who may be interested in supporting you."

Four months or more after the referendum we are still being told that the people of Britain have voted to leave the EU and in the interest of democracy this will be honoured. It is now common knowledge that 37% of the electorate voted to leave the EU and it was based on the influence of rhetoric and lies from certain politicians aided and abetted by the media. This is not democracy and should not be forgotten as we now seem to approaching a hard Brexit strategy that is contaminating Great Britain and crippling our economy. The unified strength and stability that has been established by us and our EU relations is in great turmoil due to the uncertainty and political negligence now taking place.

Economists, professors and business leaders at home and around the globe are fast losing confidence in Great Britain as a reliable country for investment. The secrecy around negotiations and the most recent trade deal with Nissan is of grave concern to a growing number of the electorate and MPs in Britain and Europe due to the ramifications this irresponsible/underhand code of practice may cause.

Surely enough is enough now as the pound continues to crash and the psychological/physical security of the British people and immigrants continues to be threatened.

Do we really want to throw our future away and the future of those to come. It's a worthy consideration for all of us. Please unite in a cross party alliance to end this Tory dictatorship before it's too late.

Yours sincerely

It is now over 4 months since the ill fated referendum. That which was predicted is now coming to pass and it would seem that xenophobia and hate crimes are not going away. Those people we personally know from the EU and of course other countries as well, are beginning to feel that they are not at home any more even though they have lived and worked in the UK for many years. Indeed some were born there. Some are even talking about leaving Britain before Brexit is agreed, such is their fear. If this should happen the UK's economy will suffer further damage.

Something which has emerged since the referendum apart from the lies of the Leave campaigners is the media coverage before and after the result. If you are not already aware, there are a lot of groups campaigning for an enquiry into the written and spoken word of the media. We have guidelines in place to address these issues but they do not seem to apply to these people. The time has come when laws must to be applied to all those with the authority to influence public opinion. It seems at the moment that there is absolutely no effective way of ensuring this. They may tender an apology but the deed is done and it will be in the group psyche. 'No smoke without fire'. The coverage of the referendum in the days leading up to it and after has been riddled with lies and this **must** be addressed. Freedom of speech and the written word does not mean one can lie. We would strongly suggest that this problem is tackled quickly and efficiently.

It seems at the moment that there is still no plan for Brexit. There has been a lot of damage to the economy and this can only get worse. However the damage that has been done and will continue to be done to the lives of the ordinary person, is of the utmost importance.

We know that many of you in the House of Lords are as appalled as we are by the dreadful mess this country finds itself. We would therefore ask you to do all within your power to reverse this decision and give the UK back some of it's dignity and high esteem in the world.

I know that many of you in the House of Lords voted to Remain in the ill fated referendum in which only 37% of the electorate voted to leave the EU. Following the High Court judgement that only Parliament has the authority to trigger article 50 of the Treaty on European Union I am writing to implore you to act according to your conscience and in the best interests of the country when this issue comes before the House.

Voting on Article 50 in Parliament should be a free – and secret – vote to prevent both inappropriate pressure being applied and retribution from various individuals and groups who have already made threats.

Another issue of grave concern is that certain sections of the media have in my opinion, and that of many others, incited xenophobia and race hate crimes through their biased and unsubstantiated claims, particularly regarding immigration, leading up to the referendum, and indeed are continuing to do so. Tough action needs to be taken immediately to prevent such propaganda. It would seem also that extremists in our country now feel they have carte blanche to act as they wish, encouraged by such rhetoric, it is frighteningly reminiscent of Europe before World War II.

Indeed, it appears that some elements of the media think that they are beyond accountability. Recently the independence of the judiciary has been attacked and attempts have been made to stifle Parliament, both actions which strike directly at the heart of our democracy. Anyone who dares to stand up to them they demand is silenced or they attempt to smear them. The implementation of the second phase of the Leveson inquiry has been inexplicably delayed despite being approved by both Houses of Parliament. It begs the question as to whether undue pressure is being applied somewhere along the line. There must be a method to ensure accurate dissemination of information upheld <u>in law</u>, outlawing deception is not the same as censorship. The Press should not be above the law.

The country is now in a total mess and the cost of Brexit as outlined in the Chancellor's statement is £59bn – and that is just for the next 5 years – all as a result of an advisory only referendum. Please could you do all in your power to reverse this ill advised decision and give the UK back it's self respect.

I have viewed events following the referendum with increasing disbelief, horror and frustration. It would now appear that we are heading for a 'hard brexit', something even many leave voters did not anticipate or indeed want.

I would remind you that in fact only 37% of the electorate voted to leave.

As someone who voted to remain I implore you to act according to your conscience and in the interests of the country, in doing so honouring the code of conduct you agreed to uphold as a representative of the people. Any MP with the integrity and courage to stand up and oppose something they know will damage the UK beyond repair would have my utmost respect.

It is increasingly obvious that our political system needs to change. The apathy that has surrounded politics and Government for many years is on the turn, triggered by recent events. Many are now questioning the validity of the current structure and looking towards Proportional Representation as a fairer system of electing our representatives. MPs from all parties need to start working together for the good of the UK as a whole and those who deliberately lie or mislead the public should be held accountable in law.

Would you like to be remembered in the history books as someone who helped save our country?

We are writing to you again and this letter will by necessity be a very short one. As a matter of extreme urgency we are asking you to do all in your power to curb the activities of three newspapers. They are The Daily Express, The Daily Mail and The Sun. They have always been guilty of lying to the public but they have now gone too far. Their headlines over the past weeks and especially over the last few days have been threatening to those 48% who voted to Remain in Europe. We have a right to protest without fear of retribution against what we see as a grave error of judgement by our present government. Refugees and immigrants were targeted both before and after the referendum. These "newspapers" continue their attacks but now appear to have spread their net wider. We have already had murders both before and after the vote and if this is not stopped there will be more. We do not ask for control of the free press simply that anti-racist laws are adhered to. IPSO appear to be a dog without teeth!

You have been given a mandate by your constituents and you need to fulfil it.

Over three months has passed since the referendum and, without Article 50 even being triggered, the pound is still weak, more and more businesses are threatening to pull out of the UK and the uncertainty and unrest of the country is growing, most notably in the race hate crimes that are growing in number. Theresa May is being 'very clear' that 'the country has voted to Leave the EU' when, in actual fact, nothing of the sort has happened. Of the 47 million or so eligible voters, the Leave campaign received a little over 17 million votes. By any stretch of the imagination, that cannot be classed as 'the country' voting to leave and surely a decision of this magnitude, with such far reaching effects cannot be made based upon these figures.

The Government has no effective opposition and politics is at it's weakest point for decades. The Tory party is moving further and further to the Right towards Fascism as the Prime Minister tries to appease the 'Hard Brexiteers' and is now even enticing UKIP members to re-join as they see just how extreme it is becoming. The last time this happened and the right wing extremists gained too much power, it resulted in WWII.

It is surely time for a big change in the way politics is conducted, the Leavers blatant lies, the slow progress of the country towards the cliff edge, the appeasement of a minority for a hard Brexit, the continued insistence that the EU immigrants are responsible for all of the country's problems (when actually far more immigrants come from the Commonwealth countries) cannot be allowed to continue unchecked. Liars must be made accountable, facts published, new alliances formed for a common cause and Proportional Representation as a way of running elections introduced.

The SNP, Green and Plaid Parties have today issued a statement uniting in working towards returning the country to some kind of normality. It would seem the best way forward that all MP's who feel strongly that to leave the EU is a very bad idea, unite in opposition to the Tory party who are currently being allowed to run amok and make a joke of democracy.

'The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing' Edmund Burke

Yours sincerely

Letter to newspapers

Dear

Our political system is in a worse state now than I have ever seen and quite frankly is a total mess. The apathy that has surrounded politics and Government for many years is on the turn, triggered by recent events. Many are now questioning the validity of the current structure and politicians actions are now being closely scrutinised by an increasing number of the electorate.

Certain sections of the media have in my opinion, and that of many others, incited xenophobia and race hate crimes through their biased and unsubstantiated claims, particularly regarding immigration, and indeed are continuing to do so. Tough action needs to be taken immediately to prevent such propaganda. And before anyone starts shouting about free speech outlawing deception is not the same as censorship; and there's nothing wrong with publishing an opinion as long as it is clear that that's what it is.

It would seem also that extremists in our country now feel they have carte blanche to act as they wish, it is frighteningly reminiscent of Europe before World War II.

I have been writing to MPs to ask what action they intend to take to address these issues. Under the Code of Conduct it states "5. Members have a duty to uphold the law, including the general law against discrimination." so they have both a duty and responsibility to take action. Some responses have been rude, arrogant or condescending, or indeed all three. If it is not possible to answer a perfectly reasonable question and instead they have to resort to insults or just being defensive it makes me wonder why.

Courtesy costs nothing, these people are supposed to be our representatives in Parliament and we pay their salaries and expenses out of our taxes. It is about time MPs are made accountable for their actions, MPs are bound by the Code of Conduct but maybe this does not go far enough in some instances.