

Yorkshire Remain Voice Choir Songbook Kettlewell Scarecrow Festival

Our very own scarecrow in the making?



Yorkshire and Europe in Harmony

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1. WHY WHY WHY (Tom Jones 'Delilah')

You know the twenty sixteen Leave campaign was illegal,
You know there's no proper mandate to leave the EU,
YOU STAND THERE LYING
Selling us snake oil is that all that matters to you?

Why, why, why deceive us?
More lies won't appease us
So, before they kick you out of the door
STOP BREXIT NOW JOHNSON
We really can't take any more!

You can't expect us to honour the first referendum
You've done so much to discredit our democracy
TRY BEING HONEST
You've turned a blind eye to proven illegality

Why, why, why deceive us?
More lies won't appease us
So, before they kick you out of the door
STOP BREXIT NOW JOHNSON
We really can't take any more!

Repeat (finishing on rising note)
STOP BREXIT NOW JOHNSON
We really can't take any more!

8. Bye Bye Brexit

No deal's such a bad idea
People's vote, then it's clear
Bye Bye Brexit

Our MPs must know it's true
We should stay in the EU
Bye Bye Brexit

There's no better deal than what we've got, now
Clearly, we should call the whole thing off, now
Brexiters have had their try
Now let's wave their deals goodbye

10: This Brexit Deal is Naff (On Ilkley Moor)

Key: G

“FOLKY”

We're here from Yorkshire just to say, ...just to say
Our Brexit deal's still na-aff
We're here from Yorkshire just to say
We're here from Yorkshire just to say (call the whole thing off)
Our Brexit deal's still naff,it's naff
Our Brexit deal's still naff, ...it's naff
Our Brexit deal is naff

So listen up now Boris J, Boris J
Your No-Deal Brexit plan is na-aff
So listen up now Boris J
So listen up now Boris J (call the whole thing off)

Your No-Deal Brexit's naff, ...it's naff
Your No-Deal Brexit's naff, ...it's naff
Your No-Deal Brexit's naff

There is a moral to this tale, to this tale
All Brexit deals are naff
There is a moral to this tale
There is a moral to this tale (call the whole thing off)

All Brexit deals are naff, ...they're naff
All Brexit deals are naff, ...they're naff
All Brexit deals are naff

12: Part of the Union (Strawbs)

Key: CAPO 1 D

“MILITANT”

Now I'm an EU fan, proud of what I am
I say what I think, 'THIS BREXIT STINKS'
Yes, I'm a Union fan

Ohhhhh
STUFF BREXIT, I'm part of the Union (x3)
'Til the day I die, 'til the day I die!

As a Union fan I'm wise, to all the Brexit lies,
So we march today for a FINAL SAY
And we raise our banners high

Ohhhhh
STUFF BREXIT, I'm part of the Union (x3)
'Til the day I die, 'til the day I die!

13: I'm forever European (Blowing Bubbles)

Key: CAPO 3 G

“OLD TIME MUSIC HALL”

I'm forever European,
Keeping faith with what's now clear
3 years ago, nobody could know,
How much we'd lose if we should go
Leave is in denial, they ignore the truth
But I'm forever European,
To give futures to our youth

INSTRUMENTAL Brass and Cello

We're forever European
Europe's made us who we are
This “them” and “us” causes so much fuss
Claiming ‘we're best’ is just not us
We will serve Great Britain
If we play our part
In being Brits and EU members
With joint interests at its heart

I'm forever European
Working for a world that's shared
We're told the EU
Tells us what to do,
We're best apart, but that's not true
Brexit caused division that must be repaired
So I'm forever European
Working for a world that's shared

To give futures to our youth (slowing down)

16: What shall we do with the rotten Brexit? (CfE) Key: CAPO 3 Am

“SEA SHANTY”

What shall we do with this rotten Brexit (x3) Early in the morning?

Let's have a vote and see who wants it (x3) Early in the morning!
(Oo-ray and up she rises x 3)

What shall we do with Boris Johnson (x3) Early in the morning?

Stick him on a bus with a lie detector (x3) Early in the morning!
(Oo-ray and up she rises x 3)

What shall we do with Jacob Rees-Mogg (x3) Early in the morning?

Put him offshore where he keeps his money (x3) Early in the morning!
(Oo-ray and up she rises x 3)

What shall we do with Nigel Farage (x3) Early in the morning?

Send him off to Trump with a one-way ticket (x3) Early in the morning!
(Oo-ray and up she rises x 3)

What shall we do with the cheats and liars (x3) Early in the morning?

Put 'em all in jail where they belong (x3) Early in the morning!
(Oo-ray and up she rises x 3)

22: People's Vote (Trelawny) (Credit CfE)

Key: Capo 1 G

“SEA SHANTY, LOTS OF ENERGY”

A People's Vote throughout the land,
Our voices loud and true!
Boris J shall understand
What Yorkshire folk can do.
And have they fixed the where and when?
And shall our freedoms die?
Here's fifty thousand Yorkshire folk
Will know the reason why! (slowing down)

(CHORUS:)

And shall our freedoms live?
Or shall our freedoms die?
Here's fifty thousand Yorkshire folk
Will know the reason why!

They came to Yorkshire on a bus
Emblazoned with a lie
They said they'd fund the NHS
We know they'd let it die
We'll cross the Humber, land to land,
We'll have our final say:
With 'One and All', and hand in hand,
And who shall bid us nay? (slowing down)

(Chorus)

And when we come to Brussels,
A pleasant sight to view,
Come forth! come forth ye Brexit all,
Here's folk better than you!
They think they'll stop democracy
They think we'll watch it die
But fifty thousand Yorkshire folk
Will know the reason why! (slowing down)

(Chorus)

23: Brexit is a load of Rubbish (Bread of Heaven)

Key D

“WELSH MALE VOICE CHOIR”

Brexit is a load of rubbish
Spreading blight throughout the land
Sold on lies, an empty promise
Listen to what we demand

(CHORUS:)

Ask the people, ask the people
We will say we must Remain ... must Remain
We will say we must Remain

MPs always argue loudly
But they haven't got a clue
We'll stand up and say it proudly
Britain's best in the EU

(Chorus)

Now we need a referendum
So we can renew our choice
Now that Parliament has failed us
Give the people back a voice!

(Chorus)

25: I've been a Remainer (Tune of Wild Rover) Key: CAPO 3 D

“DRINKING SONG WITH PERCUSSION”

I've been a Remainer for many's the year
And I won't give an inch to some damned Brexiteer
I'll tell all the world what I know to be true
That Britain's best off when it's in the EU

(CHORUS:)

And it's no, nay, never (clap x 4)
No, nay, never no more
Will we come out of Europe
No, never, no more

We've seen on a bus the most blatant of lies
And the Brexiteers tell us a unicorn flies
But Boris' a liar, Farage breaks the law
And Jacob Rees-Mogg keeps his riches offshore

(Chorus)

We've seen the deal offered by Theresa May-Bot
But it's just not as good as the deal that we've got
MPs can test options but then give us too
A confirmatory vote to stay in the EU

(Chorus)

Then we'll go home to Brussels, confess what we've done
And we'll ask them to pardon their Prodigal son
Donald Tusk will embrace us, as oft times before
And we never will come out of Europe no more

(Chorus)

(then slowly)

Will we come out of Europe, no never, no more

26: I don't want to leave the EU (Sloop John B)

Key: A

“BOB MARLEY REGGAE STYLE”

From twenty sixteen you'd see
Barnier, Tusk and GB
Around Brussels town they did roam
Debating all night Debating all night
Got into a fight
But I want to Revoke now,
I want to Remain

(Chorus) So I don't want to leave the EU
I just want to stay with you
Call for a vote to revoke and let me remain.
Let me remain,
I want to remain, yeah yeah
Well I want to revoke now
I want to remain

The referendum was a cheat
It ended up in a dead heat
And parliament can't decide what it's going to do
Prime Minister J Prime Minister J
Why don't you just say, yeah yeah
We can have a new vote now,
We want to Remain

(Chorus) We don't want to leave the EU
We just want to stay with you
Call for a vote to revoke and let us remain
Let us remain.
We want to remain, yeah yeah
Well we want to revoke now
We all want to remain

Well we want to revoke now
We want to remain

29: Ode to Joy

Key: D

“ANGELIC !!! CHORISTERS”

Let us sing in celebration
Of a union proud and free
Though we are of many nations
Europeans proud are we

As we join in joint endeavour
Let us strive for truth and peace
As our nations work together
May our friendships never cease

Josie and Janet German verse

Grant us peace that we may live our
Lives in peace and unity
And in future we may give our
Children hope and harmony

Let us sing in celebration
Of a union proud and free
Though we are of many nations
Europeans proud are we

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Europeans proud are we

30: Peace for ever (To the tune Hallelujah)

CAPO 2 Em to G

Intro first two lines

(ALL)

They dreamed there'd be an end to war
That stole so many lives before
They dreamed of lasting peace built through a new plan
It started with a simple deal
A union of coal and steel
But who could make their dream a 'dream-come-true' plan?
The EU can, the EU can
The EU can, the EU can.

(MEN)

We have a voice, we have a say
We'll lose if we should walk away
And then we'll find it's dumb to be without you
So those of us who want to stay
Have come to Brussels just today
For all the Brits committed to stay with you

(ALL)

To stay with you, to stay with you
To stay with you, to stay with you

(WOMEN)

The Farage tail, the Johnson dog
Attempt to fool us with their fog
Of lies about the problems that we face
We're working hard to stay with you
And play our part in the EU
To set brave goals together and fulfil them

(ALL)

For our children, for our children
Build a future, for our children

(INSTRUMENTAL)

(ALL)

The difficulties that we all face
Are not defined by creed or race
We have to tackle all of them together
To save our planet is our choice,
United we're the strongest voice
To live in peace and harmony for ever
Work together, Peace for ever
Work together, Peace for ever (hold last note for 4 beats)

31 Union of Peace for All (It came upon the Midnight Clear) Key C

For a thousand years
With guns and spears
Our Continent was torn
But then we learned to live as one
And a Union of Peace was born

We well recall
Dark days of yore
The cruelty and the pain
But never more will we turn to war
In our Union of Peace for All

From ancient Greece to Ireland green
Cross Danube, Thames and Loire
No borders hard
No checkpoint guards
We can wander, love, retire

Though disputes have we
Quarrels too
There's naught we can't resolve
No hate nor fear
Our path is clear
In our Union of Peace for All

(Slowly)
No hate nor fear
Our path is clear
In our Union of Peace for All

32. More lies and lies-oh-oh (Molly Malone)

In London's White City
Where the Beeb sits so pretty
In the interests of balance
They seeded such woe
They gave lots of airtime
To a man during primetime
Who spread poison and hatred
And lies, and lies-oh.

(CHORUS:)

More lies, and lies-oh-oh
More lies, and lies-oh-oh
He blamed all on Brussels
More lies, and lies-oh

This con man named Farage
Who sold us a mirage
Was left to speak drivel
And lies on each show
They never once stopped him
Or wiped off his smug grin
They gave him a free rein
For lies and lies-oh

He claimed all our laws came
Designed to cause us pain
And told us the EU
Was the cause of our woe
If we could get unhitched
The UK'd be enriched
And if that didn't work
To the US he'd GO

(Chorus)

Though lie he did of'en
And no one could stop 'em
There was somebody else
Who could spin a lie too
He wrote lies as a journo
And dubbed himself BoJo
With Telegraphed nonsense
He trashed the EU

He became so mendacious
His lies so outrageous
That the paper he lied for
Said 'He'll have to go'
He'd acquired an addiction
He could only write fiction
Based on lies about Brussels
More lies, and lies-oh

(Chorus)

We all should have known it
His real name foretold it
The de Pfiffle moniker
Says "Hold on a mo"
He cheats partners and public
With upper crust word schtick
And folks keep believing
His lies, and lies oh

So it turns out that lying
Is a trick that's worth trying
It is valued, applauded
And far can you go
If you want to be PM
Just lie through your teeth then
Join Trump and Farage with
More lies, and lies-oh

(Modified Chorus:)

More lies, and lies-oh-oh
More lies, and lies-oh-oh
They blame all on Brussels
With lies, and lies-oh

33. We've had quite enough of Brexit (She'll becoming round the mountain)

We've had quite enough of Brexit, it's a con
We've had quite enough of Brexit, it's a con
We've had quite enough of Brexit
Quite enough of Brexit
Far too much of Brexit, it's a con

(CHORUS:)

Singing I vote to stay in the EU, the EU
Singing I vote to stay in the EU, yes I do
If you think that leaving's better
Think that leaving's better
Here's a question I would put to you

Why have all the promised gains turned into dust
Why have all the promised gains turned into dust
Why have all the promised gains turned
All the promised gains turned
All the promised gains turned into dust

(Chorus)

Are you happy for the NHS to fail?
Are you happy for the NHS to fail?
Are you happy that we sell it ?
Happy that we sell it
Happy for the NHS to fail?

(Chorus)

Do you know about the benefits we'll lose
Do you know about the benefits we'll lose
Do you know about the benefits
Know about the benefits
Know about the benefits we'll lose

(Chorus)

Have you seen the cost of leaving the EU
Have you seen the cost of leaving the EU
You can't call it project fear still
It's a long-term real bill
Seen the cost of leaving the EU

(Chorus)

Are you in a region that will be worse off?
Are you in a region that will be worse off?
Are you in a region that will
In a region that will
In a region that will be worse off

(Chorus)

Don't you care your kids and grand kids will miss out?
Don't you care your kids and grand kids will miss out?
Don't you care your kids and grand kids?
Care your kids and grand kids
Care your kids and grand kids will miss out

(Chorus)

Have you thought what Brexit means to people's lives
Have you thought what Brexit means to people's lives
If you think we Brits are kindly
Think we Brits are kindly
Find out what it means to people's lives.

(Chorus)

Singing I vote to stay in the EU
Singing I vote to stay in the EU
If you think that leaving's better
Think that leaving's better
Here's a thought that I would put to you

We've had quite enough of Brexit, it's a con
We've had quite enough of Brexit, it's a con
We've had quite enough of Brexit
Quite enough of Brexit
Far too much of Brexit, it's a con

34. The Brexiteer Band (Black Velvet Band)

In a neat little town they call Belfast
A Tory from Skipton was bound
And many an hour of pain and stress
Did he spend in that neat little town
A bad misfortune befell him
That caused him to stray from the land
Far away from his Dales and constituents
To follow the Brexiteer band

(CHORUS:)

His eyes they shone with tear-drops
They fell on the palm of his hand
And his hair fell out of his scalp, me boys
And all for that Brexiteer Band

He first had a meeting with Arlene
Not expecting to go very far
But when he met up with that nasty coleen
He needed a drink in a bar
Well she sang him a song about Billy
She showed him the lie of the land
From Derry, the Boyne back to Belfast
And all for that Brexiteer band

(Chorus)

So he met all the Fenians next morning
And listened to what they had to say
Mary Lou McDonald said, "Julian,
This country is not quite the same
Well Catholics they vote for the Fenians
And Proddies they vote DUP
If you think that they'll listen to you, my boy
You'll end up a raving banshee

(Chorus)

So come all you jolly Conservatives
I'd have you take warning by me
Whenever you're over in Belfast
Beware of the crazy colleen
For she'll hit you with fake news and history
Until you're not able to stand

And the very next thing that you'll notice
You've landed in Cloud Cuckoo Land

(Chorus)