



# Pete Muswell



## YOUR PARLIAMENTARY CANDIDATE ISLINGTON SOUTH & FINSBURY

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Dear Friends, Neighbours and Voters,

Born right here in Finsbury, I have always lived and worked in Islington where my wife and I raised our four children. I attended Moreland St primary school then went to Dame Alice Owen's Grammar school when it was at the Angel, eventually going on to enjoy a 22 year career with BT then Cable & Wireless. In 1989 I started my own small technology business which is still based in Clerkenwell and over the past 30 odd years, I have always tried to "pay back" my wonderful teachers for their investment in me by serving my community through voluntary work as a school governor of both St Lukes & Moreland St primary schools, and also as chair of my local residents organisation and of the community centre on the Redbrick council estate where I have lived in Old St for the last 32 years.

But today I'd like to tell you why, after more than 35 years of voting liberal, I finally felt compelled to join the UK Independence Party (UKIP) and stand for Parliament. The Westminster Elite have given away control of our borders to the undemocratic European Union, without even a "by your leave", and as a result, the EU now makes over 75% of our laws and costs us over £60million a day too! Add that to the £12billion a year we spend on foreign aid, much of which is wasted or goes to corrupt regimes, and it's no wonder the LibLabCons have nearly sunk this country. Our schools, NHS, police and welfare systems are stretched to their limits; we have pensioners who have to choose every week between whether they can heat their houses and what they can buy to eat; we now have more families using food-banks than ever before, with our youngsters barely able to find work but when they do they are paid a pittance; and with grown kids still at home myself, don't even get me started on housing! - It's just not right., but its not too late and together, we CAN turn it around.

Few politicians seem ever to have had real jobs or done a proper day's work in their lives, so how can we expect them to run a country? When our champagne socialist MP Emily Thornberry sent that nasty smug tweet about the white van man with the England flags on his house, she showed us all exactly what Islington Labour thinks of the ordinary working class people they claim to represent. They just don't understand us anymore; they don't respect us and have taken us for granted for far too long. Just like the Tories, it seems they are all only interested in protecting their MP jobs and looking after their chums in big business. The LibDems are finished and the cloud cuckoo-land ideas of the Greens would bring this country to it's knees in no time; just look what they have done in Brighton with higher fuel bills, massive council tax increases, oh, and they want to disband the Army too, so as an ex Para in the Royal Corp of Signals, I'm NOT happy! And as a keen amateur bee-keeper and wildlife lover, I can assure you that the Greens certainly do not have a monopoly on caring for our environment, but EU green taxes are crippling British homes and factories, so we must act - now!

Britain is slowly and craftily being relegated to being just one of the "United States" of Europe, manipulated by unelected, undemocratic commissioners in Brussels. The LibLabCons and Greens ALL want to keep us in this corrupt political straight-jacket that is impoverishing our nation and makes it harder for us to trade with the rest of the world, including our Commonwealth. But on May 7th, we will all have the chance to put things right by voting for real change. I beg you not to waste that vote and ask you to think long and hard about the kind of country you want for your children and grandchildren and please ignore the mud-slingers who try to label decent people as racists simply because they want an honest, open debate about immigration and the other problems which are facing our country.

As a true Islington lad and grandfather of three wonderful mixed race grandsons, you have my absolute promise that I will never tolerate racism or discrimination of any kind. I just want my grand-kids to grow up in a land of peace and harmony; where people of ALL races, colours and creeds can come to embrace our traditional British cultural ideals of fairness, tolerance and, within reason, enjoy our generosity. Only UKIP can deliver the real change needed to make that happen and give us all a better future. I believe in Britain, and if you do too, then please invest your vote wisely. Please vote UKIP on May 7th and together, let's put the Great back into Britain.

With my very warmest regards, yours sincerely,

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**UKIP's national policies** are available on our website [www.ukip.org](http://www.ukip.org), but if you are considering voting for me as your local MP you have the right to know my long term aims for Islington and for Britain. Below, in no particular order, are my main priorities and the goals I will be fighting to achieve at Westminster for you and for Islington. Rest assured, every decision I make to support any individual policy will be based on common sense, fairness and proper evidence, not guesswork. (see my personal website [www.muswell.net](http://www.muswell.net))

**Housing** - Scrap the bedroom tax! Yes, we do need more housing but we must avoid over development or schemes to which local people have strong objections. Housing priority for local people whose parents and grandparents were born here. A better deal for the grown kids (generation rent) still living with parents. I support local referenda to prevent local planners pushing through unwanted developments like a new block in front of the sheltered housing scheme on my estate.

**Education** - Grammar schools. More teachers, smaller class sizes, more places and zero tolerance for unruly pupils. More prep-time for teachers. Start teaching the basics of politics and cyber awareness at primary level. Scrap Tuition Fees for STEM subject students

**Health** - No hospital closures and better access to GP's. More money for quality elderly care and Alzheimer's research. Addicts and the mentally ill must be given proper, timely medical rehab treatment, not imprisoned and ignored. No more suicides in prison, (or deaths in custody).

**Crime and Punishment** - Stamp down **hard** on knife crime and gang culture. Life must mean life, especially for the murder of children, police and military personnel with tougher sentences for paedophiles and rapists. Zero tolerance of radical preaching, public disorder & Anti-Social Behaviour. Fines to cover "blue-light" costs caused by drunkenness or ASB. More bobbies on the beat.

### The Environment & Green Taxes

Sensible policies that enhance our environment without crippling green-taxes that reward rich wind farm owners. Zero tolerance of dog fouling and dog aggression. Designated BBQ areas in parks & gardens where possible.

**The Digital Economy.** Close that digital divide by creating a flagship tech centre/business incubator cum community centre near Silicon Roundabout (Old Street) to act as the interface between the disadvantaged local unemployed and the new jobs being created in the digital economy.

### Defence & Foreign Policy

No more interfering in other countries or sending our troops to fight unwinnable wars, UNLESS for humanitarian purposes.

### Immigration, Emigration and Net Migration.

According to the Office of National Statistics (ONS), "624,000 people immigrated to the UK in the year ending September 2014, a statistically significant increase compared with 530,000 in the previous year. Emigration was stable with 327,000 people leaving the UK in the year ending September 2014 compared with 320,000 in the previous year."

Most politicians quote Net Migration, misrepresenting the trends that have made Islington one of the most densely populated boroughs in the country. **Islington's population is projected to increase by 35,300 in the next 7 years. (ONS figures).** UKIP will push to cut immigration and introduce an Australian style points based system.

### Europe and Foreign Aid

By getting an amicable divorce from the Europe Union and reducing Foreign Aid, we will have the money needed to start to address some of the major problems the UK is faced with today.

On my bee-keeping course 5 years ago. Plant trees, love bees.



<Left; on stage at UKIP Margate conference. Below, Community Xmas lunch



Fighting LBI proposals to build directly in front of sheltered housing block



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