Posted by Spoony on Thu, 18 Feb 2010 15:56:28 GMT

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Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by Carrierll on Thu, 18 Feb 2010 17:47:35 GMT

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Recommendation 24:

Quote:

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Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by Tupolev TU-95 Bear on Thu, 18 Feb 2010 18:40:48 GMT

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I guess thats why its good to be a Great british

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by Sean on Thu, 18 Feb 2010 20:54:04 GMT

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I'd lol if the governement shut the site down

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by nikki6ixx on Thu, 18 Feb 2010 21:10:19 GMT

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CarrierII wrote on Thu, 18 February 2010 11:47Recommendation 24:

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That's a very 'American' principle, and is often publicized a lot when it comes to California. The people can do petitions that lead to recalls of their government officials, or end up heading to the governor's desk as legislation. For better or for worse.

However, I don't see that kind of political action catching on in England. It doesn't seem like the Parliamentary system really lends itself to grassroots initiatives, where MP's have to be rigidly aligned with their party. I'm basing this on Canada's experience mind you, and we had a right wing party which had called this sort of thing 'direct-democracy.' It was met with criticism from the liberal left, and 'moderates.' The party then shifted to the center and more or less abandoned those principles.

It's a very 'radical' concept to let people have a direct say in politics. Naturally, the liberal elites who have run the country for the better part of 60 years would prefer that the unwashed masses didn't interfere, because the public don't know what's good for themselves.

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by IAmFenix on Thu, 18 Feb 2010 21:35:57 GMT

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I want an equivalent site for America. I'm also glad to see someone has the balls to speak out against the government, and be somewhat successful.

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by Carrierll on Thu, 18 Feb 2010 23:14:11 GMT

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Way to not read the whole background, this site is the result of a study conducted by the House of Lords, the Government made the site...

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by IAmFenix on Fri, 19 Feb 2010 02:29:18 GMT

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But not reading the whole background is fun.

Now I hope someone from the US government has the balls to do the same >.>

Posted by Dover on Fri, 19 Feb 2010 03:39:35 GMT

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nikki6ixx wrote on Thu, 18 February 2010 13:10Naturally, the liberal elites who have run the country for the better part of 60 years would prefer that the unwashed masses didn't interfere, because the public don't know what's good for themselves.

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Posted by nikki6ixx on Fri, 19 Feb 2010 04:26:32 GMT

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lol! Well, in a few cases I do get the feeling that there are those on the 'intellectual left' (hur hur hur) that have a bit of an ivory-tower thing going on, but I needed to take my daily dig at angry tea party people somewhere.

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by GEORGE ZIMMER on Fri. 19 Feb 2010 12:10:38 GMT

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Damn, wish I was British so I could support this.

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by Spoony on Fri, 19 Feb 2010 17:38:26 GMT

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- somewhat related to above: for all commonwealth countries, give them a nice fat referendum on what they want to happen to their political system
- stop giving undeserved privileges to religion (tax breaks, tax funding, automatic seats in parliament, control over thousands of schools)

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Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by The Party on Fri, 19 Feb 2010 19:38:55 GMT

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You can kill everyone in your government and overthrow them aswell. You can turn them into anarchists.

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by Tiesto on Tue, 23 Feb 2010 15:44:14 GMT

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You'd probably find the house of lords is more popular than the Commons right now.

The monarchy doesn't really have any political power anymore, its more of a tourism thing nowadays.

I don't see what dismantling the commonwealth would achieve either, if a country wanted out, it would do so.

However i do agree with you on the two points on religion. Religion is one of the main problems in the world today.

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by Sladewill on Tue, 23 Feb 2010 22:14:26 GMT

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Posted by Tiesto on Tue, 23 Feb 2010 23:16:37 GMT

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And they are being made to pay alot of it back. Corrupt isn't the way to describe them, more like retarded/stupid.

At least we will have 4 years of tory ineptness soon, instead of the woeful labour. At least freshen things up before they too fuck up things spectacularly.

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by nikki6ixx on Wed, 24 Feb 2010 21:22:01 GMT

Spoony wrote on Fri, 19 February 2010 11:38

- somewhat related to above: for all commonwealth countries, give them a nice fat referendum on what they want to happen to their political system

We can already do that. However, it's a massive amount of work, and my country would have to open up the Constitution and all sorts of things that we'd prefer not to. Much like your country, ours has a lot of constitutional conventions and customs that have been formed dating back to the BNA Act, and plenty borrowed from the UK previous to that.

Tinkering with all that would take away time from more pressing economic issues, and because our provinces generally hold more power than the federal government, you'd be more likely to be skating in Hell, than having anything changed anyways.

It'd be a nice gesture to encourage the 'colonies' to have a referendum to determine their governments, but it should be more symbolic than anything.

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by The Party on Thu, 25 Feb 2010 16:07:18 GMT

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The G-Man wrote on Fri, 19 February 2010 13:38You can kill everyone in your government and overthrow them aswell. You can turn them into anarchists.

US ftw, fuck you british people.

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by Tupolev TU-95 Bear on Thu, 25 Feb 2010 21:59:19 GMT

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The G-Man wrote on Thu, 25 February 2010 16:07The G-Man wrote on Fri, 19 February 2010 13:38You can kill everyone in your goverment and overthrow them aswell. You can turn them into anarchists.

UK ftw, fuck you American people.

Fixed.

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by The Party on Fri, 26 Feb 2010 20:47:23 GMT

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goliath35 wrote on Thu, 25 February 2010 15:59The G-Man wrote on Thu, 25 February 2010 16:07The G-Man wrote on Fri, 19 February 2010 13:38You can kill everyone in your government

and overthrow them aswell. You can turn them into anarchists.

US ftw, fuck you British people.

Fixed.

It is now. xD

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by Tupolev TU-95 Bear on Fri, 26 Feb 2010 22:20:49 GMT

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Now im offended that you tell us brits to go fuck our selves. Couldnt ya atleast give britain credits for our soldiers in war?

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by The Party on Mon, 01 Mar 2010 19:12:18 GMT

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Go kiss some asschecks!

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by Tupolev TU-95 Bear on Mon, 01 Mar 2010 19:13:17 GMT

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The G-Man wrote on Mon, 01 March 2010 19:12Go kiss some asschecks! When was the last time you did it?

I did it 5 nights ago .

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by The Party on Mon, 01 Mar 2010 19:14:25 GMT

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goliath35 wrote on Mon, 01 March 2010 20:13The G-Man wrote on Mon, 01 March 2010 19:12Go kiss some asschecks!

When was the last time you did it?

I did it 5 nights ago .

Stop it, you quote spammer. Before I am forced to break out my Tauren Druid and ninja your ass.

Posted by Tupolev TU-95 Bear on Mon, 01 Mar 2010 19:15:46 GMT

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Im not quote spamming.

And good luck with your Tauren Druid.

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Posted by The Party on Mon, 01 Mar 2010 19:27:29 GMT

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You just quote spammed, and look at this you suck GIANT TAUREN BALLS!

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by John Doe on Tue, 02 Mar 2010 00:46:31 GMT

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You'd get better public officials if you took away the voting rights of the permanently unemployed and felons, while doubling the vote of citizens with a master's degree or better...direct democracy just leads to tyranny of the mob.

Posted by reborn on Tue, 02 Mar 2010 11:54:23 GMT

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Any Brits voting for the BNP? Just curious...

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by Spoony on Tue, 02 Mar 2010 12:14:19 GMT

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no. i did strongly consider voting for them, because honestly their policies are way better than labour and the cons, but they are a racist party and it's just not defensible, plus most of their leaders are just downright revolting.

i wish vince cable was still running the lib dems, he's the only politician recently i genuinely liked.

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by John Doe on Tue, 02 Mar 2010 13:34:30 GMT

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You became a member before even voting for them

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by Spoony on Tue, 02 Mar 2010 15:23:47 GMT

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very briefly, and if there was another way of getting on their mailing list i may not have done.

they didn't look all that bad from the outside, and they certainly face some unjust persecution from the state and the media (e.g. the ban on members joining the police, and the enormous number of times papers have posted outright forged stories about them), but still, get on their mailist list and you soon see how rabid their leaders are.

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Posted by Carrierll on Tue, 02 Mar 2010 19:23:32 GMT

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Due to Labour's education policies, "anyone with a master's degree or better" is damn near half

the population now...

Not that I agree with the idea of doubling the vote of anyone on the basis of education (as again, due to Labour's education policies and taking away of student grants, replacing them with loans, only very rich people are going to get degrees with a reasonable amount of debt) but I do agree with taking away the voting rights of felons at least.

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by John Doe on Tue, 02 Mar 2010 20:21:26 GMT

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6% of the UK's population holds an honor's degree...I'm guessing less than 3% hold a Masters'?

The permanently unemployed have no business deciding the direction a country is heading as they're not contributing in any shape or form. A positive side-effect would be that politicians will stop playing the "the unemployed are starving; minimum wages are too low" card to cash in on 1-issue voters.

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by The Party on Wed, 03 Mar 2010 14:59:59 GMT

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JohnDoe wrote on Tue, 02 March 2010 14:216% of the UK's population holds an honor's degree...I'm guessing less than 3% hold a Masters'?

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Where is your room to talk? You are from Germany. Anyway British always owed the US so I am sure we are glad for them to crash and burn in hell.

Subject: Re: my fellow brits

Posted by John Doe on Wed, 03 Mar 2010 15:39:41 GMT

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Are you inbred or a crack baby? Someone translate this idiot's gibberish...

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Posted by Tiesto on Thu, 04 Mar 2010 14:04:09 GMT

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What the fuck are you on about? Moron.