Title: Are the same tricks being used to destroy companies in the UK market and in other countries?

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This post ([https://www.reddit.com/r/CasualUK/comments/pht3ak/uk\\_high\\_street\\_nostalgia/](https://www.reddit.com/r/CasualUK/comments/pht3ak/uk\_high\_street\_nostalgia/)) from r/CasualUK made me think that the same kind of trick is being used in lots of places around the world. Companies include: woolworths, somerfield, dixons, early learning centre, gamestation, C&A;, jjb sprots, index, comet, and quicksave.

Are there zombie companies in other markets too, or is this just a feature of the US market? Is naked shorting possible in the UK market and other markets? I have no idea how to investigate these questions and perhaps someone with expertise might be able to give quick answers.

If the answers are 'yes', then the same bad actors might be involved. Moreover, it might be possible to invest in these overseas companies instead, now that the SEC has made it impossible for retail to invest in the USA zombies.

Yes, buy and hodl GME is the right strategy, but this question pertains to lots of relevant DD happening across the GME subs recently, which is why I'm posting it.