

# **Britain Needs an Intervention**

How to rescue a failing democracy without starting a new party

Britain isn't broken, but it's breaking.

NHS queues stretch for hours. A generation is priced out of housing. Councils go bust while ministers wage culture wars. The UK isn't suffering from one bad policy—it's suffering from a slow-motion collapse of competence.

This is not accidental. It's the product of neglect, managed decline, and political theatre. And the public knows it: trust in politics has collapsed. Yet no major party offers a convincing plan.

#### It's time for an intervention.

Not another party. A platform—an open, non-partisan framework for reform. Something that MPs, civic groups, journalists and voters can all get behind, while leaving behind the blame games, opinion manipulation and partisan politics.

This is **UK Party Intervention Platform**—five fixes to rescue Britain's failing political operating system.

# **⊘**The Five Fixes (Summary)

#### 1. Rebuild Growth

Invest in digital, transport, green infrastructure; reconnect trade and skills policy with real-world productivity; re-engage with EU frameworks where possible.

#### 2. Fix Daily Life

Regulate monopoly sectors (e.g. food, energy); shift taxes from work to lands; build homes near jobs, not just fields.

#### 3. Rescue Public Services

Audit NHS, schools, transport systems. In-source failing contracts. Restore public sector capability with data, not dogma.

# 4. Heal Inequality

Introduce land value tax, baby bonds, and regional reinvestment. Close postcode lotteries in public funding.

#### 5. Fix Democracy

Replace First Past the Post. Codify a written constitution. Create regional assemblies and citizen accountability.

#### 1.0 Full Platform Overview

Each Fix includes concrete proposals, data-backed justifications, and public figures who already champion these issues.

# 1.1. Fix the Economy: Invest + Reconnect

- Reverse austerity. Fund infrastructure and skills.
- Rejoin the Single Market or EEA where feasible.
- Justification: OECD and OBR analysis show long-term scarring from low investment.
- Comparative model: Germany's Mittelstand and infrastructure stimulus.
- Suggested Champions: David Willetts, Andy Burnham

#### 1.2. Fix Daily Life: Regulate + Build

- Break up monopolies in food, energy, and housing development.
- Replace Council Tax and Stamp Duty with progressive land value tax.
- Build near existing transport and employment centres.
- Justification: OFGEM and CMA data show systemic failures in regulated sectors.
- Comparative model: Singapore's housing build-to-rent scheme.
- Suggested Champions: Martin Lewis, Caroline Lucas

#### 1.3. Rescue Public Services: Restore + Modernise

- Public audits and performance metrics.
- Insource failing outsourcing contracts (NHS IT, probation, rail).
- Use transparent digital tools to improve services.
- Justification: NAO and PAC reports show contracting inefficiencies.
- Comparative model: Scandinavia's hybrid-service delivery.
- Suggested Champions: Rory Stewart, Wes Streeting

#### 1.4. Heal Inequality: Redistribute + Invest

- Land Value Tax (LVT) to reduce speculation.
- Baby bonds or Sovereign Wealth participation for youth.
- Regional public investment banks to spread growth.
- Justification: IPPR and Resolution Foundation show wealth polarisation.
- Comparative model: Alaska Permanent Fund, Welsh Future Generations Act.
- Suggested Champions: Deborah Meaden, Danny Dorling

#### 1.5. Fix Democracy: Reform + Codify

- Proportional representation for all elections.
- Introduce citizens' assemblies for contentious issues.
- Enshrine constitutional rights in statute.
- Justification: Electoral Reform Society and Hansard Society evidence show systemic disengagement.
- Comparative model: New Zealand's shift to MMP, Ireland's Citizens' Assembly.
- Suggested Champions: Neal Lawson, Jess Phillips

# 2.0 At-A-Glance Policy Table

Theme	Core Fixes
Growth	Green investment, market access, end austerity
Cost of Living	Anti-monopoly regulation, land tax reform, local housing supply
Public Services	Performance audits, insourcing, tech modernisation
Inequality	LVT, baby bonds, regional funding balance
Democracy	Proportional voting, citizen assemblies, codified rules

### 3.0 Executive Summary

Britain is spiralling. Our institutions are underfunded, our politics is performative, and our economy is flatlining. Yet the solutions are known—and supported across parties, professions, and generations.

The **UK Party Intervention Platform** lays out five urgent reforms. It doesn't seek power. It seeks progress. Any MP, journalist, mayor, or citizen can endorse it—and start fixing what's broken.

This document offers both a summary and a deep reference. It is evidence-based, cross-partisan, and designed to be adopted by anyone seeking to reform British politics with urgency, clarity, and pragmatism.

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