

YOU CANNOT FIGHT THE RIGHT WITH LOVE AND HOPE!

The poster below says it all. The left is trying to mobilise against the far-right. They are building for a protest in London on March 28th before Tommy Robinson's National Unity march on May 16th. Their goal is to organise a bigger march than the one Robinson, backed by billionaire money, is organising.

They will fail. The main reason is their slogans. They are seeking to combat the hate and division spewed by Robinson with the slogans Love and Hope. So, while Robinson seeks to *Unite Britain* against the external enemy - migrants and foreigners - the Left is trying to bring *Britain Together* with love and hope.



Hope and love do not put food on the table, it does not pay heating bills, nor does it build homes. Workers especially at the lower end of the labour market, those in deprived communities or even abandoned communities, will not be swayed by these hippie incantations of love and hope. A chasm exists between the cosmopolitan radicals and the mass of workers living precarious lives.

This is not only a political error it is a cultural error. These student politics are turning the left into a joke, reducing us to irrelevance, substituting emotion for politics.

Contrast this to what is happening in the United States. As this interesting analysis shows, the most popular mobilisations have been targeted protests. In the middle of last year, the protests with the theme [NO KINGS](#) directed against Trump mobilised up to 4.8 million protesters making it one of the largest protests in US history. Similarly, Bernie Sanders tour [FIGHTING OLIGARCHY](#) drew huge crowds some numbering over 30,000 and much bigger than anticipated. It was all about capturing the growing anger towards Trump while offering an alternative political perspective. "[Matt Bennett](#), a vice president at the center-left group Third Way, said he is glad that the rallies are "giving people an outlet for that anger" against Trump."

Bernie Sanders and Ocasio-Cortez addressing a rally numbering over 30,000 in New Jersey.



The same applied to the launch of *Your Party*. Over 800,000 Brits expressed their support for such a party. This followed the 750,000 who got involved with the earlier *Enough is Enough*. *Your Party*, following a flying start, crashed to earth as the careerists, opportunists and bureaucrats running the show manoeuvred to put their interests before the interest of the working class, crippling the party. Had *Your Party* not been laid low by these machinations the whole political landscape of Britain would be different, and yes, had that happened we would have had many more people on March 28 than Robinson could have mobilised on May 16.

And in the end that is the difference. If the right is strong, it is because they are funded by the rich, curated and organised by their professionals. If the left is weak, it is entirely due to misleadership and a failure of programme and policy. This enables the right to be strong on message while the left dabbles with emotion.

Which brings me to the arguments in my own organising group. We met last Saturday at a meeting populated by representatives of unions, the PCS and STW. It was a small meeting with an elderly demographic. Its mission was to prepare to build for the 28th in our city. Throughout the meeting I objected to the slogans. The meeting recognised there had been a palpable shift to the right in our communities in what was once a radical city with a strong *Green Party* presence. I said repeatedly that approaching people on the streets with the slogans *Hope and Love* would simply be rejected by those we needed to reach. Instead of *Better Together* I proposed *March against the Billionaires who are Ransacking Our Country* drawing on the lessons from the USA which is one to two years ahead of us.

I proposed the following leaflet. Its purpose to identify the correct enemy and to therefore direct anger in the right direction. Thus far I have yet to win the argument for such a leaflet. (The data for the £10,000 comes from a study by the PCS union in 2014 and the £250 from official government data.)

WHO IS TO BLAME?

OUR LIVES ARE HARD AND GETTING HARDER
WE ARE ANGRY!
BUT WHO IS TO BLAME?

Right-wing parties like Reform and political actors like Tommy Robinson direct anger sideways towards migrants, foreigners and 'the not us'. This way they deflect anger away from those who are making our lives harder - the rich and powerful – those who gain from our impoverishment. That is why the Right is funded by billionaires like Musk, because the rich recognise that the right is protecting them by redirecting this anger.

The Left on the other hand, correctly directs anger upwards towards the rich and powerful. In politics, like medicine, diagnosis is 99% of treatment. Diagnose the wrong cause and the treatment backfires. That is why targeting migrants - lying and demonising them - will not improve your life nor make it safer. You need to know who the real enemy is.

We live in an increasingly unequal world. More and more money is flowing into fewer and fewer pockets, and those pockets are paying less and less tax. This tax shortage is ruining society and destroying communities. Tax dodging costs every family £10,000, while the tax needed to support migrants' costs only £250. How can you trust politicians in the pay of the rich who focus on the £250 getting you to ignore the £10,000 that benefits the rich? You can't. This screams of dishonesty and manipulation. That is why Reform and the Right keep shouting about migrants to drown out their silence over the NHS, over Education, over Public Services, over Housing, all the things you depend on, but which they intend to cut and break, to keep taxes low.

Don't trust them, they are not your friends. Anger at injustice can change the world but only if it is targeted honestly and productively.

**STOP THE BILLIONAIRES RANSACKING BRITAIN
LONDON PROTEST on the 28th of MARCH.**

[Taxing the rich](#) is one of the most popular demands amongst British voters, with two out of three saying they would vote for a party introducing a wealth tax including [Reform](#). When it comes to stamping out [Tax Avoidance](#) that figure jumps to nearly nine out of ten voters, and this covers all the major parties. This is why I have focused on the issue of tax avoidance, because it is an issue that is in the face of everyone, because it turns us all into victims, even if some of us do not see this at first.

The issue of tax dodging was the focus of my verbal and visual intervention around the local migrant hotel besieged by the right, helping in part, together with the antics of the hard core, to reduce their numbers from 800 to under 50. Below is the banner which helped peel away *Reform* leaning supporters from the hard core, who incidentally support *UKIP* not *Reform*. The banner took advantage of *Reform* styling itself as the Patriotic Party.

A PATRIOT PAYS THEIR TAXES MAKING THEIR COUNTRY THRIVE



A TRAITOR DODGES TAXES MAKING THEIR COUNTRY FAIL



REFORM IS FINANCED BY TAX-DODGERS

Conclusion.

Unlike the Right which bangs on about migrants not only stealing jobs and jumping queues, but also polluting British culture, the Left has to show the enemy is not coming in, it's already here, and it's been here for centuries, our own born and inbred British capitalist class, speaking that most foreign language of all, the language of monied entitlement. And unlike the Right, who have nothing to say about how they will improve the lives of ordinary Britains, the left must put forward a programme, which to start with, will be funded by taxing the rich and preventing tax dodging. We don't need more border guards; we need more union-based and empowered tax inspectors.

Substituting emotion for politics will not work. True a revolution is a celebration, and a revolutionary movement is always embroidered with music, dance and art, but at its heart, it is steeled by a programme of action giving it unity of purpose. Relying on *Love and Hope* is to lose before we even engage.

Brian Green, 29th January 2026.