The next five years are the most challenging that Britain has faced in my lifetime. Brexit will define us: our place in the world, our economic security and our future prosperity. So now more than ever, Britain needs a strong and stable government to get the best Brexit deal for our country and its people.

Now more than ever, Britain needs strong and stable leadership to make the most of the opportunities Brexit brings for hardworking families. Now more than ever, Britain needs a clear plan. This manifesto, Forward, Together: Our Plan for a Stronger Britain and a Prosperous Future will meet the great challenges of our time, beyond Brexit.

With this plan and with a strong hand through Brexit, we will build a stronger, fairer, more prosperous Britain, for all of us.

Theresa May
Prime Minister

THE CONSERVATIVE AND UNIONIST PARTY
MANIFESTO 2017

FORWARD, TOGETHER
Our Plan for a Stronger Britain and a Prosperous Future

THE TORIES HAVE NO PLAN

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A) Second Review
B) Destruction
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LONG TIME, NO SEE! AHEAD
OF TORY CONFERENCE, I
WONDER IF WE NEED TO UPDATE OUR
2017 MANIFESTO? AFTER ALL THE RECENT IN-PARTY BICKERING (AND CRITICISM...),
I'VE BARELY HAD ANY TIME TO DELIVER IT AND WE OBVIOUSLY SHELVED THE BIG STUFF. I'VE
HAD A GO AT UPDATING THE OLD 'FOREWORD' BELOW. LET ME KNOW WHAT YOU THINK.

THERESA MAY
P.S. I'VE THROWN THE OLD ONE IN THE SHREDDER...

Not sure we can say this – we're heading off a cliff edge post Brexit and Donald won't return my calls...

This election is the most important this country has faced in my lifetime.
Our future prosperity, our place in the world, our standard of living, and the opportunities we want for our children – and our children's children – all depend on getting the next five years right. If we fail, the consequences for Britain and for the economic security of ordinary, working people across this country will be significant. If we succeed, the opportunities ahead of us are great.

Now more than ever, Britain needs a strong and stable government to get the best deal for our country. Now more than ever, Britain needs strong and stable leadership to make the most of the opportunities Brexit brings.

I believe our United Kingdom can emerge from this period of great national change stronger and more prosperous than ever before. I believe we can be a country that stands tall against in the world and provides leadership on some of the greatest challenges of our time. I believe we can—and must—take this opportunity to build a Great Meritocracy here in Britain.

The policies set out in the following pages will begin to build that stronger, fairer, more prosperous Britain. They do not offer a quick fix. People are rightly sceptical of politicians who claim to have easy answers to deeply complex problems. It is the responsibility of leaders to be straight with people about the challenges ahead and the hard work required to overcome them.

So this manifesto sets out a vision for Britain's future – not just for the next five years weeks, but beyond. It identifies the five giant leadership challenges we face and what we will do to address them. In doing so, it offers a vision of the kind of country I want Britain to be:

A Britain in which every area is able to prosper, with a modern industrial strategy to spread opportunity across the whole United Kingdom.
A Britain in which work pays, with a higher national living wage and proper rights and protections at work.

P.S. I’VE THROWN THE OLD 
ONE IN THE SHREDDER...

THERESA MAY
P.S. I'VE THROWN THE OLD
ONE IN THE SHREDDER...

This is still less than we originally promised right?

David says we won’t need these after Brexit

Maybe a bit too honest?

We can keep this in, as long as I can break promises/do u-turns as per..

Lynton says we mustn’t say this any more!!

I believe I can stand tall against leadership challenges??

Feels like we’re stretching it a bit here...

Lynton says we mustn’t say this any more!!

I believe I can stand tall against leadership challenges??

Let’s just stick to the bits where they all vote Conservative.

The TORIES HAVE NO PLAN
A Britain in which the economy is strong to support world-class public services, with the most ambitious programme of investment in people, technology and buildings the NHS has ever seen; record – and fair – funding for schools; and the first ever proper plan to pay for – and provide – social care. And a Britain in which burning injustices are tackled and overcome, with the first new Mental Health Bill for thirty years to put parity of esteem at the heart of treatment and end the stigma of mental illness once and for all.

This is my plan for a stronger Britain and a prosperous future. It is a declaration of intent: a commitment to get to grips with the great challenges of our time and to take avoid the big, difficult decisions that are right for Britain in the long-term.

None of this will be easy. It will require discipline and focus, effort and hard work. It will require leadership from a government that is strong barely enough to stand up for Britain, and stable enough to steer the country safely through the negotiations ahead.

Above all, it will require a unity of purpose stretching across this precious union of nations, from north to south and east to west. For as we embark on the momentous journey ahead of us over the next few years, our shared values, interests and ambitions can – and must – bring us together as a united country: are all we’ve got.

We can choose to say the task ahead is too great, to turn our face to the past and believe it cannot be done; or we can look forward with optimism, believing the best days for Britain lie ahead.

I choose to look forward: confident that we have the vision, the plan and the will to use this moment to build a better Britain. A stronger Britain where everyone has the economic security they need and the chance to live a secure and happy life. A fairer Britain that works for everyone, not just a privileged few.

Theresa May
Prime Minister

We’re not doing this and Arlene said she needed this cash if we wanted her votes...

This can wait

NO ONE MENTION THIS EVER AGAIN

I’m going to cling on no matter what happens!

Let’s just avoid these words

Do you know who’s on my front bench!!?

Seriously!!?
Again, do you know who is on my front bench?

Arlene’s okay but forget the rest

This can wait

I have a bad feeling about these

We’re not doing this and Arlene said she needed this cash if we wanted her votes…

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Do you know who’s on my front bench!!?
WHAT’S LEFT OF THE TORY MANIFESTO?
Broken and shelved commitments by area

During the General Election, the Tories published their 84-page manifesto. We estimated that the manifesto contained 447 commitments, which, unlike Labour’s manifesto, ‘For the many, not the few’, were unfunded and offered no real solutions to the challenges Britain faces.

Their manifesto betrayed Britain’s pensioners, offered insecurity for tens of millions of working people, and promised a grim future of underfunding and understaffing for our vital public services. Now, after losing her majority, Theresa May has been forced to shelve the disastrous plan she set out, leaving her with no plan and no legitimacy.

Five Giant U-turns at the heart of the manifesto

Despite setting out the ‘Five Giant Challenges’, just months after losing their majority, the Tories have instead performed Five Giant U-turns on their 2017 Manifesto. Building on Theresa May’s long history of breaking promises, she was quick to ditch her flagship policies. From social care to grammar schools, from cuts to Winter Fuel Payments to attacks on pensions, Theresa May’s flagship policies have been scrapped because she knows they do not have the support of the public and she cannot get them through Parliament.

181 Broken or Shelved Manifesto Commitments

But in addition to a series of humiliating public U-turns, the Tories have been quietly shelving vast swathes of their 2017 Manifesto, with little or no progress or announcements (classified as ‘shelved’ throughout our document) on more than 40 per cent of the commitments made at the election.

Recent Labour analysis of the 2017 Tory manifesto shows that out of 447 commitments they made, 181 have either been dropped or shelved with no evidence of any progress since the General Election.

That’s more than one manifesto commitment shelved every day since the manifesto was published on 18 May 2017.

The Tories have no plan to improve Britain and are incapable of taking the decisions needed to build a better Britain. All they promise is more austerity and cuts to vital public services.
Methodology

As of 29 September 2017, we have estimated there are 181 commitments from the 2017 Conservative Manifesto that can already be fairly and reasonably categorised as ‘broken’ or ‘shelved’.

- **Broken** commitments are those where there is clear evidence of a U-turn on the stated policy or of a failure to deliver it.

- **Shelved** commitments are those where there is no evidence of activity, including any announcements made on Gov.uk or inclusion in the Queen’s Speech or notes to the Queen’s Speech.

Where we have not been able to establish that a commitment has already been broken or where there is evidence of any activity or announcements related to the commitment, we have not included it.

Although we have assessed 181 commitments as broken or shelved, we are not suggesting the remaining commitments have been delivered. We have estimated that only one in ten of the 447 commitments have been completed; while nine in ten remain undelivered.
FIVE GIANT U-TURNS

The Tory manifesto set out 5 giant challenges, but in reality all it identified were five giant U-turns. These flagship policies, on which Theresa May made her pitch to the country, have now been dropped in the face of criticism from both the British public, pressure from Labour and her own party

Pensioners
Theresa May was forced to abandon plans to scrap the Triple Lock on state pensions. In her manifesto, Theresa May promised to introduce a new “Double Lock”, which would have taken effect after 2020. This would have removed the guaranteed 2.5 per cent annual increase in the value of the state pension leaving pensioners worse off.ii

The manifesto also included a commitment to means-test Winter Fuel Payments with support only for those ‘most at risk of fuel poverty’. This would have stripped ten million people – five out of six pensioners - of their Winter Fuel Payments worth up to £300.iii Theresa May has been forced to backtrack on her plan.

Social Care
Theresa May planned to put homes into the means-test for domiciliary care and protect assets of £100,000, which would have left thousands of the most vulnerable at risk of losing their homes. But following increasing pressure from all sides Theresa May has been forced to back down on her deeply unpopular plans and has merely made a promise to ‘improve social care’ and ‘bring forward proposals for consultation’.iv

Schools
Theresa May has been forced to abandon her flagship education policy proposals. Her manifesto promised to lift the ban on the establishment of selective schools, claiming that grammar schools almost completely eliminated the “attainment gap between rich and poor pupils”v

Theresa May had planned to scrap universal free school lunches for the first three years of primary school. The proposal, which would have cost families almost £450 per child a year, has now been dropped.vi

Fox hunting
Theresa May repeatedly said during the General Election campaign that she supported fox hunting and wanted to repeal the ban. Although the manifesto promised to grant parliament a free vote on the Hunting Act, she has now backed down on this proposal.vii

Energy price cap
Theresa May promised an energy price cap to protect “around 17 million families on standard variable tariffs”. However, the Government is now backing weaker proposals from Ofgem that will protect just two million people. This u-turn prompted 76 Conservative MPs to sign a letter calling on Theresa May to keep her promise.viii
THE ECONOMY & TRADE

So far 10 out of 31 have been broken or shelved with no evidence of any progress since the General Election

1. Strong economy

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto made a commitment to “a strong economy based on sound public finances.”

**BROKEN:** Just this month Britain’s credit rating was downgraded by Moody’s due to weaker public finances.

2. Wages

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto committed to “a new deal for ordinary, working people giving them a decent living wage”.

**BROKEN:** Real wages are still lower than they were in 2010 and will remain lower until 2021, a situation that the IFS described as “dreadful … we have certainly not seen a period remotely like it in the last 70 years.”

Other shelved commitments

The following measures were not included in the Government’s Queen’s Speech following the election, in the background notes to the Queen’s Speech or have been mentioned in any subsequent Government announcement, suggesting that either no progress has been made or they have been shelved.

3. "We will make sure that [business rate] revaluations are conducted more frequently to avoid large changes to the bills that businesses face…” – page 14

4. "To ensure the system is sustainable for the future we will also conduct a full review of the business rates system to make sure it is up to date for a world in which people increasingly shop online.” – page 14

5. "We will ensure immediate stability by lodging new UK schedules with the World Trade Organization, in alignment with EU schedules to which we are bound whilst still a member of the European Union." – page 15

6. "We will seek to replicate all existing EU free trade agreements and support the ratification of trade agreements entered into during our EU membership.” – page 15

7. "We will create a network of Her Majesty’s Trade Commissioners to head nine new regional overseas posts. These commissioners will lead export promotion, investment and trade policy overseas.” – page 15

8. "We will reconvene the Board of Trade with a membership specifically charged with ensuring that we increase exports from Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland as well as England, and that trade policy is directly influenced by every part of our United Kingdom.” – page 15
9. "We will therefore examine ways in which the regulation of utilities and transport infrastructure can be improved to deliver a better deal for customers and sharper incentives for investment efficiency." – page 16

10. "We will pursue free trade with European markets, and secure new trade agreements with other countries." – page 36
HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

So far 20 out of 55 commitments have been broken or shelved with no evidence of any progress since the General Election

1. - 3. Social Care

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto committed to “means-testing for domiciliary care” including “the value of the family home along with other assets and income” and separately “a single capital floor, set at £100,000” so that “people will always retain at least £100,000 of their savings and assets”.

**BROKEN:** After outcry over the Theresa May’s ‘dementia tax’, the policy was omitted from this year’s Queen’s Speech and a new consultation on social care was announced.

4. NHS Performance

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto made a commitment to “retain the 95 per cent A&E target and the 18-week elective care standard”.

**BROKEN:** The standard of 95 per cent of patients spending 4 hours or less in A&E was last achieved in July 2015 and there are now four million people on the waiting list for treatment in England.

Other shelved commitments

The following measures were not included in the Government’s Queen’s Speech following the election, in the background notes to the Queen’s Speech or have been mentioned in any subsequent Government announcement, suggesting that either no progress has been made or they have been shelved.

5. “We will launch a national campaign to increase the number of Black, Asian and ethnic minority organ donors to cut the long waiting times for patients from those groups and save more lives.” – page 56

6. “We will reduce loneliness and promote technological solutions to prolong independent living, and invest in dementia research.” – page 65

7. “…we will increase NHS spending by a minimum of £8 billion in real terms over the next five years, delivering an increase in real funding per head of the population for every year of the parliament.” – page 66

8. “Since its inception, the NHS has been forced to use too many inadequate and antiquated facilities, which are even more unsuitable today. We will put this right and enable more care to be delivered closer to home, by building and upgrading primary care facilities, mental health clinics and hospitals in every part of England. Over the course of the next parliament, this will amount to the most ambitious programme of investment in buildings and technology the NHS has ever seen.” – page 67
9. “…we will increase the Immigration Health Surcharge, to £600 for migrant workers and £450 for international students, to cover their use of the NHS. This remains competitive compared to the costs of health insurance paid by UK nationals working or studying overseas.” – page 67

10. “…we will review the operation of the internal market and, in time for the start of the 2018 financial year, we will make non-legislative changes to remove barriers to the integration of care.” – page 67

11. “We will introduce a new GP contract to help develop wider primary care services.” – page 68

12. “We will reform the contract for hospital consultants to reflect the changed nature of hospital care over the past twenty years.” – page 68

13. “We shall support more integrated working, including ensuring community pharmacies can play a stronger role to keep people healthy outside hospital within the wider health system.” – page 68

14. “We will support NHS dentistry to improve coverage and reform contracts so that we pay for better outcomes, particularly for deprived children.” – page 68

15. “…we will legislate to reform and rationalise the current outdated system of professional regulation of healthcare professions, based on the advice of professional regulators, and ensure there is effective registration and regulation of those performing cosmetic interventions.” – page 68

16. “And we will reform medical education, including helping universities and local health systems work closer together to develop the roles and skills needed to serve patients.” – page 68

17. “In hospitals, we will make sure patients receive proper consultant supervision every day of the week with weekend access to the key diagnostic tests needed to support urgent care.” – page 69

18. “We will also ensure hospitals can discharge emergency admissions at a similar rate at weekends as on weekdays, so that when someone is medically fit to leave hospital they can, whichever day of the week it is.” – page 69

19. “We will extend the scope of the CQC to cover the health-related services commissioned by local authorities.” – page 69

20. “In cancer services, we will deliver the new promise to give patients a definitive diagnosis within 28 days by 2020, while expanded screening and a major radiotherapy equipment upgrade will help ensure many more people survive cancer.” – page 69
EDUCATION

So far 20 out of 46 commitments have been broken or shelved with no evidence of any progress since the General Election

1. Grammar Schools

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto made a commitment to “lift the ban on the establishment of selective schools.”

**BROKEN:** Education Secretary Justine Greening has confirmed that plans for new grammar schools have been dropped following Theresa May’s disastrous election campaign.

2. Free School Meals

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto made a commitment to scrap universal free school meals.

**BROKEN:** Schools Minister Nick Gibb has confirmed that plans to scrap school meals have been scrapped following the election.

3. Private Schools

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto committed to “keeping open the option of changing the tax status of independent schools if progress is not made” on getting “at least 100” to sponsor academies or found free schools in the state system.

**BROKEN:** The Government has now refused to confirm if it will remove the charitable tax status of private schools if they fail to support state schools local to them.

Other shelved commitments

The following measures were not included in the Government’s Queen’s Speech following the election, in the background notes to the Queen’s Speech or have been mentioned in any subsequent Government announcement, suggesting that either no progress has been made or they have been shelved.

4. "We will prohibit councils from creating any new places in schools that have been rated either 'inadequate' or 'requires improvement' by Ofsted." – page 50

5. "We will introduce new funding arrangements so we can open a specialist maths school in every major city in England." – page 50

6. "We will replace the unfair and ineffective inclusivity rules that prevent the establishment of new Roman Catholic schools, instead requiring new faith schools to prove that parents of other faiths and none would be prepared to send their children to that school." – page 50

7. "These changes will have a great effect, but alone they cannot overcome the unfairness of selection by house price, where ordinary, working class families find it difficult to access the best schools because they cannot afford to live in the catchment area. We will therefore conduct a review of school admissions policy. We will be clear at the outset that we will never introduce a mandatory lottery-based school admissions policy." – page 50
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<td>&quot;We will introduce a curriculum fund to encourage Britain's leading cultural and scientific institutions, like the British Museum and others to help develop knowledge-rich materials for our schools, and we will ensure that assessments at the end of primary school draw from a rich knowledge base, and reduce teaching to the test.&quot; – page 51</td>
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<td>&quot;…we will help workers stay in secure jobs as the economy changes by introducing a national retraining scheme. Under the scheme the costs of training will be met by the government, with companies able to gain access to the Apprenticeship Levy to support wage costs during the training period.&quot; – page 53</td>
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<td>&quot;As a sign of our commitment, we will immediately institute a capital fund to help primary schools develop nurseries where they currently do not have the facilities to provide one.” – page 72</td>
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<td>&quot;And we will continue to support maintained nurseries and allow them to take on academy freedoms, supporting them to grow independently or as part of a multi-academy trust.” – page 72</td>
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<td>&quot;We will create new ‘schools maps' to help parents choose the school that is right for their child, giving them key information about quality of teaching, attainment and the curriculum of local schools as they choose their school preferences to support their decisions.” – page 81</td>
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BUSINESS, ENERGY & INDUSTRY

So far 28 out of 90 commitments have been broken or shelved with no evidence of any progress since the General Election

1. Energy Price Cap
   
   **COMMITMENT:** Theresa May committed to an energy price cap that would “protect around 17 million families on standard variable tariffs”.\(^{xxv}\)
   
   **DROPPED:** Only two million families are set to benefit from the energy price cap announced by the Government following the general election,\(^{xxvi}\) prompting 76 Conservative MPs to sign a letter calling on Theresa May to keep her promise.\(^{xxvii}\)

2. Employees on boards
   
   **COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto committed to “change the law to ensure that listed companies will be required either to nominate a director from the workforce, create a formal employee advisory council or assign specific responsibility for employee representation to a designated non-executive director.”\(^{xxviii}\)
   
   **DROPPED:** The Government has dropped plans to legislate for employees on boards, instead introducing a new corporate governance code which companies can opt out of.\(^{xxix}\)

3. Votes on Pay Packages
   
   **COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto committed to “legislate to make executive pay packages subject to strict annual votes by shareholders”.\(^{xxx}\)
   
   **DROPPED:** The Government will now instead legislate so that “all listed companies with significant shareholder opposition to executive pay packages will have their names published on a new public register”.\(^{xxxi}\)

4. Energy efficiency
   
   **COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto made a commitment to “improve the energy efficiency of existing homes, especially for the least well off, by committing to upgrading all fuel poor homes to EPC Band C by 2030.”\(^{xxxi}\)
   
   **DROPPED:** National Energy Action (NEA) have warned that the Government is on track to miss this target by 80 years.\(^{xxxiii}\)

**Other shelved commitments**

The following measures were not included in the Government’s Queen’s Speech following the election, in the background notes to the Queen’s Speech or have been mentioned in any subsequent Government announcement, suggesting that either no progress has been made or they have been shelved.
5. “We will require bidders to be clear about their intentions from the outset of the bid process; that all promises and undertakings made in the course of takeover bids can be legally enforced afterwards; and that the government can require a bid to be paused to allow greater scrutiny” – page 17

6. “Companies will have to explain their pay policies, particularly complex incentive schemes, better.” – page 18

7. “We will commission an examination of the use of share buybacks, with a view to ensuring these cannot be used artificially to hit performance targets and inflate executive pay” – page 18

8. "Subject to sensible safeguards, we will introduce, for employees, a right to request information relating to the future direction of the company. […] These strengthened arrangements will apply to publicly-listed companies.” – page 18

9. "We will … make a modern technical education available to everyone, throughout their lives, to provide the skills they need.” – page 19

10. "We will remove the barriers that hold back small firms with big potential - and let them compete when government itself is the buyer.” – page 19

11. "At the last autumn statement, we announced a significant increase in government investment in research and development. We will deliver this and ensure further growth so that overall, as a nation, we meet the current OECD average for investment in R&D – that is, 2.4 per cent of GDP – within ten years, with a longer-term goal of three per cent.” – page 19

12. "[W]e will work to build up the investment funds of our universities across the UK. We want larger, aggregated funds to increase significantly the amounts invested in and by universities. We want universities to enjoy the commercial fruits of their research, through funds that are large enough to list, thereby giving British investors a chance to share in their success.” – page 20

13. "We will create a number of [UK sovereign wealth] funds, known as Future Britain funds, which will hold in trust the investments of the British people, backing British infrastructure and the British economy. We anticipate early funds being created out of revenues from shale gas extraction, dormant assets, and the receipts of sale of some public assets. We will encourage pension funds with an interest in joining Future Britain funds to do so.” – page 20

14. "While there are very significant reserves still in the North Sea, it is expected to be the first major oil and gas basin in the world to decommission fully, and we will take advantage of that to support the development of a world-leading decommissioning industry. We will work with the industry to create a multi-use yard and the UK’s first ultra-deep water port to support this industry.” – page 22

15. "…we will establish an industrial energy efficiency scheme to help large companies install measures to cut their energy use and their bills.” – page 22

16. "We will legislate to change planning law for shale applications. Non-fracking drilling will be treated as permitted development, expert planning functions will be established to support local councils, and, when necessary, major shale planning decisions will be made the responsibility of the National Planning Regime.” – page 23
17. "We will set up a new Shale Environmental Regulator, which will assume the relevant functions of the Health and Safety Executive, the Environment Agency and the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy. This will provide clear governance and accountability, become a source of expertise, and allow decisions to be made fairly but swiftly." – page 23

18. "...we will change the proposed Shale Wealth Fund so a greater percentage of the tax revenues from shale gas directly benefit the communities that host the extraction sites. Where communities decide that it is right for them, we will allow payments to be made directly to local people themselves. A significant share of the remaining tax revenues will be invested for the benefit of the country at large." – page 23

19. "We will introduce a new cultural development fund to use cultural investment to turn around communities." – page 25

20. "...we want to see universities make their full contribution to their local community and economy, sponsoring local schools and being creative about how they can open up opportunities for local people, especially those from ordinary working backgrounds." – page 25

21. "We will … explore ways to harness Welsh natural resources for the generation of power." – page 33

22. "We will make it a condition for universities hoping to charge maximum tuition fees to become involved in academy sponsorship or the founding of free schools." – page 50

23. "We will help all workers seeking to develop their skills in their existing jobs by introducing a new right to request leave for training for all employees." – page 53

24. "We will amend health and safety regulations so that employers provide appropriate first aid training and needs-assessment for mental health, as they currently do for risks to physical health..." – page 57

25. "We will strengthen the powers of consumer enforcement bodies to order fines against companies breaking consumer law and deliver redress for wronged parties." – page 59

26. "We will make billing for telecoms customers fairer and easier to understand, including making clear when a mobile customer has paid off the price of their handset." – page 59

27. "We will … open new offices of British Business Bank in Birmingham, Bristol, Cambridge, Edinburgh, Manchester and Newport, specialising in the local sector." – page 78

28. "We will also create a power in law for government to introduce an industry-wide levy from social media companies and communication service providers to support awareness and preventative activity to counter internet harms, just as is already the case with the gambling industry." – page 82
WORK, PENSIONS & EQUALITIES

So far 11 out of 23 commitments have been broken or shelved with no evidence of any progress since the General Election

1. Pensions Triple Lock

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto committed to scrapping the Triple Lock on state pensions to be replaced by a weaker Double Lock from 2020 that would have removed the guaranteed 2.5 per cent increase that ensures pensioners are better off.xxxiv

**BROKEN:** The DUP and Labour pressure forced Theresa May to U-turn on her plans to scrap the Triple Lock as part of their £1 billion deal to keep her in power.xxxv

2. Winter Fuel Payments

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto committed to means testing Winter Fuel Paymentsxxxvi which would have stripped ten million people – five out of six pensioners – of Winter Fuel Payments worth up to £300.xxxvii

**BROKEN:** The DUP and Labour pressure forced Theresa May to U-turn on her plans to means-test Winter Fuel Payments as part of their £1 billion deal to keep her in power.xxxviii

Other shelved commitments

The following measures were not included in the Government’s Queen’s Speech following the election, in the background notes to the Queen’s Speech or have been mentioned in any subsequent Government announcement, suggesting that either no progress has been made or they have been shelved.

3. "We will also work to help those groups who have in the past found it difficult to get employment, by incentivising employers to take them on. So for businesses employing former wards of the care system, someone with a disability, those with chronic mental health problems, those who have committed a crime but who have repaid their debt to society, and those who have been unemployed for over a year, we will offer a holiday on their employers' National Insurance Contributions for a full year.” – page 54

4. "We will also provide targeted support for young people between the ages of 18 and 24 so that everyone, no matter what their start in life, is given the very best chance of getting in to work.” – page 54

5. "We will strengthen the enforcement of equalities law - so that private landlords and business who deny people a service on the basis of ethnicity, religion or gender are properly investigated and prosecuted.” – page 56

6. “We will also ask large employers to publish information on the pay gap for people from different ethnic backgrounds.” – page 56
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CRIME & JUSTICE

So far 19 out of 50 commitments have been broken or shelved with no evidence of any progress since the General Election

1. Net Migration Target

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto made a commitment “to reduce immigration to sustainable levels, by which we mean annual net migration in the tens of thousands”. xxxix

**BROKEN:** In 2017 they were no nearer to meeting their own arbitrary target with annual net migration at 246,000. xl

2. Prison Places

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto made a commitment to “invest over £1 billion to modernise the prison estate … creating 10,000 modern prison places.” xli

**BROKEN:** The Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Justice recently revealed that the Treasury have asked his department to seek private funding to fill a shortfall in their budget for prisons investment. xlii

3. Visa System Reform

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto made a commitment to “ask the independent Migration Advisory Committee to make recommendations on how the visa system can become better aligned with our modern industrial strategy.”

**BROKEN:** Home Secretary Amber Rudd failed to mention the visa system in her letter to the Migration Advisory Committee of 27 July commissioning a review of the economic impact of EU migration. xliii

4. Serious Fraud Office Reform

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto committed to “incorporating the Serious Fraud Office into the National Crime Agency, improving intelligence sharing and bolstering the investigation of serious fraud, money laundering and financial crime.” xliiv

**BROKEN:** The Government advertised for a new Director of the Serious Fraud Office on 16 September, confirming that they have no plans to scrap it. xlv

Other shelved commitments

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"[W]e will double the Immigration Skills Charge levied on companies employing migrant workers, to £2,000 a year by the end of the parliament, using the revenue generated to invest in higher level skills for training workers in the UK.” – page 20
6. "We will extend direct entry into the police, including at chief officer level." – page 44

7. "And we will push forward with our plan for tackling hate crime committed on the basis of religion, disability, sexual orientation or transgender identity." – page 44

8. "Publicly-funded advocates will have specialist training in handling victims before taking on serious sexual offences cases." – page 44

9. "We will take action to make it harder for people to enter the country if they have a criminal conviction and will implement satellite tracking for every foreign national offender subject to an outstanding deportation order or deportation proceedings." – page 44

10. "We will ensure that [police and crime] commissioners sit on local health and wellbeing boards, enabling better co-ordination of crime prevention with local drug and alcohol and mental health services." – page 45

11. "We will build on the Policing and Crime Act, which introduced better co-ordination of policing and fire and rescue services, with greater devolution of criminal justice responsibility and budgets to local commissioners." – page 45

12. "We will introduce dedicated provision for women offenders." – page 45

13. "So we will create a national community sentencing framework that punishes offenders and focuses on the measures that have a better chance of turning people around and preventing crime, such as curfews and orders that tackle drug and alcohol abuse." – page 45

14. "We will reform the entry requirements, training, management and career paths of prison officers." – page 45

15. "We will create a new legal framework for prisons, strengthening the inspectorate and ombudsman to provide sharper external scrutiny." – page 45

16. "We will increase the earnings thresholds for people wishing to sponsor migrants for family visas." – page 54

17. "We will toughen the visa requirements for students, to make sure that we maintain high standards." – page 54

18. "We will work with schools to make sure that those with intakes from one predominant racial, cultural or religious background teach their students about pluralistic, British values and help them to get to know people with different ways of life." – page 55

19. "And we will take action to support victims of domestic violence to leave abusive partners, reviewing the funding for refuges and ensuring that victims who have lifetime tenancies and flee violence are able to secure a new lifetime tenancy automatically." – page 58
LOCAL GOVERNMENT & HOUSING

So far 24 out of 31 commitments have been broken or shelved with no evidence of any progress since the General Election.

1. Serious Fraud Office Reform

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto committed to “incorporating the Serious Fraud Office into the National Crime Agency, improving intelligence sharing and bolstering the investigation of serious fraud, money laundering and financial crime.”

**BROKEN:** The Government advertised for a new Director of the Serious Fraud Office on 16 September, confirming that they have no plans to scrap it.

2. Rough Sleeping

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto committed to “halve rough sleeping over the course of the parliament and eliminate it altogether by 2027.”

**BROKEN:** Rough sleeping has more than doubled since 2010 according to official Government figures.

3. House Building

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto committed to “meet our 2015 commitment to deliver a million homes by the end of 2020 and we will deliver half a million more by the end of 2022.”

**BROKEN:** The Government built an average of 143,800 homes a year over the last two years, which would mean a projected shortfall of one million on their target for 2022.

Other shelved commitments

The following measures were not included in the Government’s Queen’s Speech following the election, in the background notes to the Queen’s Speech or have been mentioned in any subsequent Government announcement, suggesting that either no progress has been made or they have been shelved.

4. “We will give local enterprise partnerships greater weight by backing them in law.” – page 25

5. “…place new duties on councils to consult when they wish to cut down street trees.” – page 25

6. ”We will encourage the very best practice in the design of buildings and public spaces, including a review of the design of government buildings, to ensure that when the state builds, it makes a positive contribution to a local area.” – page 25
7. "With devolution now established in London and other parts of England, we will consolidate our approach, providing clarity across England on what devolution means for different administrations so all authorities operate in a common framework." – page 32

8. "…we will pilot a Housing First approach to tackle rough sleeping." – page 58

9. "A Conservative government will reform and modernise the home-buying process so it is more efficient and less costly." – page 59

10. "We will also improve protections for those who rent, including by looking at how we increase security for good tenants and encouraging landlords to offer longer tenancies as standard." – page 59

11. "...we will diversify who builds homes in the country." – page 70

12. "That means supporting high-quality, high-density housing like mansion blocks, mews houses and terraced streets." – page 71

13. "It means maintaining the existing strong protections on designated land like the Green Belt, National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty." – page 71

14. "It means not just concentrating development in the south-east but rebalancing housing growth across the country, in line with our modern industrial strategy." – page 71

15. "It means supporting specialist housing where it is needed, like multigenerational homes and housing for older people, including by helping housing associations increase their specialist housing stock." – page 71

16. "We will work with them [local authorities] to improve their capability and capacity to develop more good homes, as well as providing them with significant low-cost capital funding." – page 71

17. "We will also give greater flexibility to housing associations to increase their housing stock, building on their considerable track record in recent years." – page 71

18. "And we will work with private and public sector house builders to capture the increase in land value created when they build to reinvest in local infrastructure, essential services and further housing, making it both easier and more certain that public sector landowners, and communities themselves, benefit from the increase in land value from urban regeneration and development." – page 71

19. “It means government building 160,000 houses on its own land.” – page 71

20. “We will enter into new Council Housing Deals with ambitious, pro-development, local authorities to help them build more social housing.” – page 71
| 21. | “We will build new fixed-term social houses, which will be sold privately after ten to fifteen years with an automatic Right to Buy for tenants, the proceeds of which will be recycled into further homes.” – page 71 |
| 22. | "We will demand all local authorities be commissioners of the highest-quality family support and child protection services, removing these responsibilities from the weakest councils and placing them in trust.” – page 73 |
| 23. | "We will ensure that councils provide consistency of care and cannot relocate vulnerable children far from their home when it is not in their best interests to do so.” – page 73 |
| 24. | "We will review support for Children in Need to understand why their outcomes are so poor and what more support they might require, in and out of school." – page 73 |
TRANSPORT

So far 7 out of 17 commitments have been broken or shelved with no evidence of any progress since the General Election

1. Northern Powerhouse Rail

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto committed to “continue our programme of strategic national investments including … Northern Powerhouse rail”\(^{\text{lii}}\)

**BROKEN:** Transport Secretary Chris Grayling has admitted that rail lines between Leeds and Manchester – a key part of the northern rail network – are unlikely to be fully electrified.\(^{\text{liii}}\)

2. Rail Improvement

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto committed to “creating extra capacity on the railways ... and improve existing routes”\(^{\text{liv}}\)

**BROKEN:** In the month following the election the Government scrapped a number of rail electrification schemes and postponed decisions on future rail funding until October.\(^{\text{lv}}\)

Other shelved commitments

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3. “We will continue our programme of strategic national investments including… the expansion of Heathrow Airport” – page 23

4. "We will continue to support local authorities to expand cycle networks and upgrade facilities for cyclists at railway stations.” – page 24

5. "We will modernise the railway infrastructure across Wales, including new and improved stations…” – page 33

6. "We will take steps to tackle private parking operators." – page 59

7. "We will work with train companies and their employees to agree minimum service levels during periods of industrial dispute – and if we cannot find a voluntary agreement, we will legislate to make this mandatory.” – page 60
THE TORIES HAVE NO PLAN

ENVIRONMENT & RURAL COMMUNITIES

So 13 out of 22 commitments broken or shelved have been broken or shelved with no evidence of any progress since the General Election

1. Fox Hunting
   COMMITMENT: The Conservative Manifesto committed to “a free vote … to decide the future of the Hunting Act.”
   BROKEN: The government has been forced into a humiliating U-turn, with Environment Minister Theresa Coffey has confirming that they have no plans for a vote on fox hunting.

2. Air Quality
   COMMITMENT: The Conservative Manifesto made a commitment to “take action against poor air quality in urban areas.”
   BROKEN: The Government’s new clean air plan has been branded inadequate by the leaders of eight heavily populated cities.

Other shelved commitments

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3. “We will bring sustainable growth to the rural economy…” – page 25

4. "In addition to the 11 million trees we are planting across our nation, we will ensure that 1 million more are planted in our towns and cities…” – page 25

5. "We will do more to reduce litter, including by supporting comprehensive rubbish collection and recycling, supporting better packaging, taking new powers to force councils to remove roadside litter and prosecuting offenders.” – page 25

6. "We will implement our proposed reforms on pet sales and licensing…” – page 26

7. "As we leave the European Union, we can take early steps to control the export of live farm animals for slaughter.” – page 26

8. "We will safeguard the post office network, to protect existing rural services and work with the Post Office to extend the availability of business and banking services to families and small businesses in rural areas.” – page 26
9. "We will support pharmacies and village schools in rural areas." – page 26

10. "...we shall produce a comprehensive 25 Year Environment Plan that will chart how we will improve our environment as we leave the European Union and take control of our environmental legislation again." – page 26

11. "We will continue our work to conserve the marine environment off the coast of the United Kingdom." – page 27

12. "We will protect the interest of Welsh farmers as we design our new UK farming policy and work with the devolved administrations to ensure the strength of the Welsh brand is maintained." – page 33

13. "We will champion greater conservation co-operation within international bodies, protecting rare species, the polar regions and international waters." – page 40
DEVOLVED ADMINISTRATIONS

So far 9 out of 14 commitments have been broken or shelved with no evidence of any progress since the General Election.

1. Return of EU Powers to Devolved Administrations

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto made a commitment that “no decision-making that has been devolved will be taken back to Westminster … the powers of the devolved administrations will increase as we leave the EU.”

**BROKEN:** The Government’s EU Withdrawal Bill returns powers to Westminster before they can be passed on to devolved administrations, prompting the First Ministers of Scotland and Wales to describe the Bill as “a naked power-grab”.

2. Barnett Formula

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto made a commitment to “work in partnership with the Scottish and Welsh government and the Northern Ireland Executive, in a relationship underpinned by pooling and sharing resources through the Barnett Formula.”

**BROKEN:** Theresa May’s £1 billion deal for the DUP contravened the Barnett Formula, with Scotland, Wales and England missing out on £43.7 billion despite promises from the Scotland Secretary David Mundell that Scotland would benefit in relation to any additional funding for Northern Ireland.

**Other shelved commitments**

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CABINET OFFICE

So far 14 out of 28 commitments have been broken or shelved with no evidence of any progress since the General Election

1. Boundary Review

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto committed to “the current boundary review, enshrining the principle of equal seats, while reducing the number of MPs to 600”.

**BROKEN:** It has been reported that Theresa May is dropping her plans to cut the number of MPs due to a lack of support from the DUP and her own MPs.

2. Government Transparency

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto made a commitment to “continue the drive for open data, maintaining our position as the world leader.”

**BROKEN:** The Government is failing to publish transparency documents, with just under half of their publications late or missing as of 27 August, while DExEU, Cabinet and Defra have recently come under fire for refusal to answer FOI requests.

Other shelved commitments

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3. “…we will use our buying power to ensure that big contractors comply with the Prompt Payment Code both on government contracts and in their work with others. If they do not do so, they will lose the right to bid for government contracts.” – page 21

4. ”We will repeal the Fixed-term Parliaments Act.” – page 43

5. ”We will retain the first past the post system of voting for parliamentary elections and extend this system to police and crime commissioner and mayoral elections.” – page 43

6. ”We will provide seed funding for similar schemes to recruit older professionals from other sectors, including those returning to the workplace having cared for children and those approaching retirement." – page 43

7. ”We know public services are dependent upon the public servants who run them, which is why we will establish in law the freedom for employees to mutualise, where appropriate, within the public sector.” – page 43
8. "We will review the honours system to make sure it commands public confidence, rewards genuine public service and that recipients uphold the integrity of the honours bestowed." – page 43

9. "We will create a national infrastructure police force, bringing together the Civil Nuclear Constabulary, the Ministry of Defence Police and the British Transport Police to improve the protection of critical infrastructure such as nuclear sites, railways and the strategic road network." – page 44

10. "We will publish far more information about public services online, including relevant information about local issues and public transport so that every person can find out up to date information about roadworks, planning applications and bus routes online, without the hassle and delay that currently exists." – page 80

11. "We will publish operational performance data of all public-facing services for open comparison as a matter of course - helping the public to hold their local services to account, or choose other better services if they prefer. In doing so, central and local government will be required to release information regularly and in an open format, and data will be aggregated and anonymised where it is important to do so." – page 81

12. "We will incubate more digital services within government and introduce digital transformation fellowships, so that hundreds of leaders from the world of tech can come into government to help deliver better public services." – page 81

13. "We will set out a strategy to rationalise the use of personal data within government, reducing data duplication across all systems, so that we automatically comply with the 'Once-Only' principle in central government services by 2022 and wider public services by 2025." – page 81

14. “And we will use digital technology to release massive value from our land that currently is simply not realised, introducing greater specialisation in the property development industry and far greater transparency for buyers. To make this happen, we will combine the relevant parts of HM Land Registry, Ordnance Survey, the Valuation Office Agency, the Hydrographic Office and Geological Survey to create a comprehensive geospatial data body within government, the largest repository of open land data in the world. This new body will set the standards to digitise the planning process and help create the most comprehensive digital map of Britain to date. In doing so, it will support a vibrant and innovative digital economy, ranging from innovative tools to help people and developers build to virtual mapping of Britain for use in video games and virtual reality." – page 82
FOREIGN AFFAIRS & BREXIT

So far 6 out of 19 commitments have been broken or shelved with no evidence of any progress since the General Election

1. Parliamentary Scrutiny of Brexit

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto made a commitment that "once EU law has been converted into domestic law, parliament will be able to pass legislation to amend, repeal or improve any piece of EU law it chooses".\(^{lxxi}\)

**BROKEN:** Clause 17 of the Repeal Bill as drafted would enable Government Ministers to amend any primary legislation affected by our exit from the EU, leading the Hansard Society to describe it as “in effect hand[ing] the government a legislative blank cheque”.\(^{lxxii}\)

2. Trade Deals

**COMMITMENT:** The Conservative Manifesto made a commitment to “build upon our existing special relationship with the United States” and “forge new economic and security partnerships”.\(^{lxxiii}\)

**BROKEN:** The US Department of Commerce has decided that aircraft produced by Bombardier in Northern Ireland should be subject to 219 per cent import duty, threatening 4,000 jobs\(^{lxxiv}\) and Prime Minister Abe of Japan has been clear that any future trade agreement with Japan will only be possible once the terms of the UK’s future relationship with the EU has itself been clarified.\(^{lxxv}\)

Other shelved commitments

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4. “We will use the structural fund money that comes back following Brexit to create a UK Shared Prosperity Fund, specifically designed to reduce inequalities between communities across our four nations. The money that is spent will help deliver sustainable, inclusive growth based on our modern industrial strategy. We will consult widely on the design of the fund, including with the devolved administrations, local authorities, businesses and public bodies. The UK Shared Prosperity Fund will be cheap to administer, low in bureaucracy and targeted where it is needed most.” – page 35

5. “We will place the BBC World Service and British Council on a secure footing so they are able to promote the best of British values around the globe and build strong ties between our local communities and other countries.” – page 39

6. “We will work with our Overseas Territory governments to create a Blue Belt of marine protection in their precious waters, establishing the largest marine sanctuaries anywhere in the world.” – page 40
THE TORIES IN DISARRAY

With the Tories in disarray, the manifesto is now largely defunct. When they should have been delivering on their promises, the Tories have been busy dealing with internal disputes that look to tear their party apart.

- Theresa May’s Chancellor, Philip Hammond, has refused to endorse her as Conservative leader for the next election.

  “Philip Hammond has repeatedly refused to endorse Theresa May as Conservative leader for the next General Election. The Chancellor was asked four times if Mrs May should stay on as in 2022 but declined to give her his support, instead saying that the focus must be on delivering Brexit.”

- It has been reported that Philip Hammond gave his backing to a leadership bid from Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson after Theresa May’s disastrous election result.

  “The chancellor was cagey in his approach but it was taken by Johnson to mean that if he decided to run for leader, Hammond was prepared to support him. Johnson said: “Philip’s just texted me. He’s 100% behind me if I go for it.” Then he pulled a face. “Clearly he wants to remain as chancellor.”

- Allies of Philip Hammond have branded Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson’s claims about Brexit “bulls***” and described him as “simple minded”.

  “The Foreign Secretary has boasted that his intervention into the Brexit debate succeeded in thwarting Philip Hammond and other pro-EU ministers who want a softer departure from the EU. But allies of the Chancellor say this is “total bulls***” and insist Theresa May’s Brexit plan has been set in stone for some time.”

  “Philip Hammond's allies have accused Boris Johnson of being "simple minded" and warned that the Brexit transition period may need to be extended until after the next election.”

- It has also been reported that the Brexit Secretary David Davis sounded out Boris Johnson on a bid to replace Theresa May as Prime Minister.

  “One of the texts was even from Davis, who MPs believed would be Johnson’s main rival if May had fallen on her sword. “DD was just trying to test the water to see where Boris was and work out what he was potentially facing.””

- At the same time, allies of the Brexit Secretary David Davis supposedly sounded out MPs on a possible bid to replace Theresa May as Prime Minister.
“There, Andrew Mitchell broke cover and declared to a room of 25 MPs that May had lost all authority and should resign. The former international development secretary was Davis’s closest ally in parliament. Davis had publicly declared that leadership plotting was “self-indulgent”. Nonetheless, one of the four former cabinet ministers at the heart of the signature gathering was adamant that Davis was aware of his activities and did not urge him to stop.”


• A former Tory cabinet minister alleged that Theresa May’s Home Secretary Amber Rudd considered a leadership bid against her.

“The group came to the conclusion that Rudd would be their candidate despite her wafer-thin majority at Hastings and Rye. A former cabinet minister said: “I had a conversation with Amber to say, ‘Is this something you have been thinking about? Are you interested?’ This was at the time when we thought something would happen pretty quickly. “She was clearly eyeing the top job but trying to do it in a way that didn’t attract any attention. She said: ‘I’m definitely interested in doing it and let’s have a chat about it.”


• An ally of Boris Johnson said that Theresa May’s Secretary of State for International Development Priti Patel contacted Boris Johnson about a possible leadership bid.

“Johnson also heard from Amber Rudd, the home secretary, and Priti Patel, the international development secretary, though neither was as forward as Hammond. “He got a number of texts that he thought were unusual,” a Johnson ally said. “It was very, very clear there were people looking to him at that moment. The general feeling at that time was: ‘This is a disaster. She can’t survive.'”


• Theresa May’s Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Michael Gove reportedly said he would support a Boris Johnson leadership bid.

“Yet he [Michael Gove] told a friend over dinner: “I suppose I’ll have to support him [Boris Johnson].”


• While it was alleged that Theresa May’s Defence Secretary Michael Fallon offered Boris Johnson “conditional support” for a leadership bid.

“Johnson also got a call from Sir Michael Fallon, the defence secretary. His message “was similar” to Hammond’s, a source said, offering conditional support.”


• It has been claimed that the Leader of the House of Commons Andrea Leadsom had a conversation with Boris Johnson about a possible leadership bid.

“Andrea Leadsom, the runner-up in the 2016 contest, also had a conversation with Johnson.”


• Leader of the Scottish Conservatives Ruth Davidson is reported to have backed Amber Rudd to replace Theresa May as Prime Minister after the election.
“Ms Davidson was then reported to have thrown her weight behind Amber Rudd, the home secretary, as the best potential replacement for the prime minister as Tory figures manoeuvred after the election, certain that Mrs May would have to resign.”

*The Times, 25 September 2017, [https://www.thetimes.co.uk/edition/scotland/ruth-davidson-spurned-attempts-to-make-her-pm-gwl2g52fs](https://www.thetimes.co.uk/edition/scotland/ruth-davidson-spurned-attempts-to-make-her-pm-gwl2g52fs)*
THERESA MAY’S TIMELINE OF FAILURE

13 July 2016  “A country that works for everyone”: Theresa May takes office as unelected Prime Minister after a coronation by the Tory party, promising to work for ordinary people.

1 August 2016  Honouring Cameron’s cronies: Theresa May is accused of cronyism as she fails to block David Cameron’s resignation honours given to Tory allies.

9 September 2016  Grammar school failure: Theresa May uses a keynote speech to announce £50 million of annual funding for failing and divisive grammar schools, revealing that despite the rhetoric the Tories continue to stand up for a few.

21 October 2016  Tory backlash against plans to cut in-work support: Labour Party and Tory backbenchers, including Iain Duncan Smith, pressure Theresa May into backtracking on £3 billion of planned cuts to in-work benefits.

30 October 2016  Special post-Brexit assurances for Nissan: It is reported that Theresa May approved special assurances for Nissan to secure investment at its Sunderland plant in the face of uncertainty for the manufacturing sector created by Brexit.

23 November 2016  Autumn statement does nothing for the ‘just about managing’: After promising to build an economy for the ‘just about managing’, Theresa May’s first Autumn Statement did nothing to support working people. It saw growth slowing and inflation rising; the debt and deficit was revised up and there were billions of pounds worth of cuts in the pipeline.

15 December 2016  Awkward trip to Brussels: Theresa May travels to Brussels to meet EU partners for talks. She is visibly side-lined at the meeting of heads of state, and returns to London with no commitments or achievements for Britain.

23 January 2017  A failed industrial strategy: After promising an industrial strategy fit for the 21st century, Theresa May unveils an approach of cherry-picking favoured sectors and manufacturers, failing to provide a whole-economy approach.

26 January 2017  Failure to stand up to President Trump: On a visit to Washington, Theresa May fails to challenge President Trump on issues from Russian interference in the US election to climate change.

8 February 2017  Pushing for an ideological hard Brexit: Theresa May opposes a series of amendments to the Article 50 bill, including guarantees for EU citizens’ rights after Brexit, reporting back to Parliament, and keeping EU legislation on tax avoidance and evasion, threatening the UK economy and jobs.

8 March 2017  National Insurance chaos at the Budget: The first Budget under Theresa May proposed rises in National Insurance contributions for working people, only for the government to abandon plans in the face of criticism. The budget also failed to give the NHS a single extra penny.

10 March 2017  Sweetheart deal for Surrey County Council: Theresa May approves a special deal with Surrey County Council for extra social care funding as the council calls off a local referendum on council tax.
3 April 2017  Cuts to Employment and Support Allowance: The Government introduces cuts to Employment and Support Allowance, which will affect half a million sick and disabled people.

27 April 2017  High Court forces publication of air pollution plan: The High Court orders the Government to publish their plans to tackle air pollution, after ministers attempted to halt the process until after the election.

18 April 2017  Calling the snap election: Theresa May calls a snap election saying if 'I lose just six seats, I will lose this election'. This proved to be a fatal judgement as it cost the Tories their majority in Parliament.

3 May 2017  Accusing the EU of election meddling: In an extraordinary speech, Theresa May accuses EU countries of trying to influence Britain's democratic process through leaks and threats.

11 May 2017  Record A&E waiting times: New NHS figures show the extent of the Tory NHS crisis, with a record 2.5 million people waiting longer than four hours in A&E in 2016/17.

18 May 2017  Tories’ disastrous manifesto launch: Theresa May launches her manifesto, which is attacked from all sides for the dementia tax, means testing of winter fuel allowance, and abandoning the pensions triple lock. May is forced to backtrack on her promises, but insists “nothing has changed”.

8 June 2017  The election result: Theresa May loses 13 seats and the party’s overall majority, while Labour pick up 30 seats, from an election she called herself. This prompted calls from within her own party to step down, with Anna Soubry MP saying ‘I think she will have to go unfortunately’.

10 June 2017  Theresa May’s co-Chiefs of Staff and closest advisers: Nick Timothy and Fiona Hill quit as a result of the devastating election result. Timothy would later call the campaign a “failure”.

21 June 2017  Threadbare Queen's Speech: Theresa May submits a two-year Queen’s Speech that includes very few policy proposals. Her lack of mandate meant that she had to drop many of her key promises from her campaign and election manifesto.

26 June 2017  The £1 billion payoff to the DUP: Theresa May agrees to £1 billion of funding for Northern Ireland in order to be propped up in government by the Democratic Unionist Party, while she continues to refuse to remove the public sector pay cap.

8 July 2017  No challenge to President Trump on Paris Agreement: For the second time, Theresa May fails to challenge President Trump on climate change, refusing to bring up his decision to withdraw from the Paris Agreement at the G20.

15 September 2017  Torpedoed by Boris on Brexit: Boris Johnson sets out his own contrary views on Brexit in an article for The Telegraph, undermining Theresa May’s attempt to reset Brexit negotiations with a speech in Florence.

24 September 2017  Cabinet coup: An explosive story in The Times reveals that key members of Theresa May’s cabinet including Boris Johnson, Philip Hammond, David Davis and Amber Rudd plotted to replace her after the general election.

25 September 2017  No backing from Hammond: Philip Hammond refuses to endorse Theresa May as Conservative leader for the next election.
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2. “The Tories have dropped changes to the triple lock for pensions and winter fuel payments in order to secure a deal for a with the Northern Irish DUP for a working majority.” The Independent, 26 June 2017, http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/dup-deal-latest-news-tory-manifesto-promises-drop-pensions-triple-lock-winter-fuel-payments-a7808291.html

3. Ibid.

4. “The Queen’s Speech omitted several policies touted in the Conservative election campaign, including the so-called "dementia tax.” Ministers are to consult on reforming the system of social care funding in England after effectively abandoning the controversial changes set out in the Conservative General Election manifesto.” The Sun, 21 June 2017, https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/3619837/dementia-tax-axed-theresa-may-social-care-funding-plan/

5. “There was no education bill in the Queen’s Speech, and therefore the ban on opening new grammar schools will remain in place.” Justine Greening, 27 June 2017, http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/grammar-schools-plan-scraped-justine-greening-theresa-may-may-tory-labour-a7810641.html

6. “Schools minister Nick Gibb said the Government had listened carefully to the views of parents and abandoned its proposal to scrap the lunches and instead offer a free breakfast for all primary school pupils. He told him Commons: "We have listened very carefully to the views of the sector on the proposal to remove infant free school meals and we have decided that it is right to retain the existing provision.” Sky News, 4 July 2017, http://news.sky.com/story/vote-on-repealing-fox-hunting-ban-dropped-government-confirms-10936120

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8. Seventy-six Conservative MPs have backed calls for Theresa May to press ahead with a cap on energy prices. In May, Mrs May told the Sun she would, if re-elected, introduce a cap on “unfair” price rises to help 17 million families on standard variable tariffs. But plans put forward by regulator Ofgem are thought likely only to benefit 2m more households.


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14. "...we will align the future basis for means-testing for domiciliary care with that for residential care, so that people are looked after in the place that is best for them. This will mean that the value of the family home will be taken into account along with other assets and income, whether care is provided at home, or in a residential or nursing care home... we will introduce a single capital floor, set at £100,000, more than four times the current means test threshold. This will ensure that, no matter how large the cost of care turns out to be, people will always retain at least £100,000 of their savings and assets, including value in the family home." Conservative Manifesto 2017, page 65

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**Conservative Manifesto, page 18**

XVI The Department for Education (DfE) confirmed on Wednesday that a new unit had been set up “to help broker voluntary partnerships between schools in the two sectors”. Asked if it was a U-turn on earlier proposals to scrap private schools’ charitable status, a DfE spokesperson said: “Independent schools already support thousands of state schools to help raise the educational outcomes of young people. We are focused on building on that work in partnership with the Independent Schools Council (ISC) and the sector, to open up more opportunities for schools and children.”

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the year, May signalled she would backtrack on the idea that this should be mandatory, saying it was “a question of finding the model that works”.


“...The next Conservative government will legislate to make executive pay packages subject to strict annual votes by shareholders…” Conservative Manifesto 2017, page 18

“New laws will force all listed companies to reveal the pay ratio between bosses and workers. All listed companies with significant shareholder opposition to executive pay packages will have their names published on a new public register.”


“...We will improve the energy efficiency of existing homes, especially for the least well off, by committing to upgrading all fuel poor homes to EPC Band C by 2030. We will also review requirements on new homes.” Conservative Manifesto 2017, page 60

The Government has set a fuel poverty target to improve the energy efficiency of fuel poor homes, by getting as many households as reasonably practicable to a minimum standard of band C by 2030 (with interim targets of band E and band D by 2020 and 2025). Only 5% of current fuel poor households in England live in the most energy efficient properties (Band C or above) – this leaves 2.18m FP households are below band C. Only c. 23K FP households are currently brought up to band C per year and so we estimate it will take c. 95 years to bring all (current) FP households up to band C and so the Government could miss their target by 80 years.”


“...So we will keep our promise to maintain the Triple Lock until 2020, and when it expires we will introduce a new Double Lock, meaning that pensions will rise in line with the earnings that pay for them, or in line with inflation – whichever is highest.” Conservative Manifesto 2017, page 64

“...Both parties have agreed that there will be no change to the Pensions Triple Lock and the universal nature of the Winter Fuel Payment.”


“...So we will means-test Winter Fuel Payments, focusing assistance on the least well-off pensioners, who are more at risk of fuel poverty. The money released will be transferred directly to health and social care, helping to provide dignity and care to the most vulnerable pensioners and reassurance to their families.” Conservative Manifesto 2017, page 66

“...Ten million people will lose their winter fuel allowance if the Conservatives win the General Election, experts have said. [...] Increased spending will be funded by withdrawing the £300 winter fuel payment from wealthier pensioners.”


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“It is our objective to reduce immigration to sustainable levels, by which we mean annual net migration in the tens of thousands, rather than the hundreds of thousands we have seen over the last two decades.” Conservative Manifesto 2017, page 54

“Net migration - the difference between those entering and leaving the UK - fell 81,000 to 246,000 in the year to March 2017.”


“We will invest over £1 billion to modernise the prison estate, replacing the most dilapidated prisons and creating 10,000 modern prison places.” Conservative Manifesto 2017, page 45

“The Outline Business Case for the Prison Estate Transformation Programme was submitted in October 2016. This benefitted from significant work since the Spending Review, including market engagement, which has provided a better understanding of the capital profile. Projected capital spending on the programme is therefore no longer aligned with the SR allocation and discussions are ongoing with HM Treasury around the capital funding required as part of the four-year capital plan. In addition, HM Treasury asked us to investigate the potential for use of private finance within the Programme and this too forms part of these discussions.”


Letter from Amber Rudd sent to the MAC, 27 July 2017,
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"Finally, we will continue to combat homelessness and rough sleeping including through full implementation of the Homelessness Reduction Act. Our aim will be to halve rough sleeping over the course of the parliament and eliminate it altogether by 2027." Conservative Manifesto, page 58

"We will meet our 2015 commitment to deliver a million homes by the end of 2020 and we will deliver half a million more by the end of 2022." Conservative Manifesto, page 70

"In 2015-16: 139,670 homes were built, in 2016-17: 147,930 homes were built. That’s an average of 143,800. Over five years that will be 719,000 far short of the one million.


Almost 60,000 households were accepted as homeless and in ‘priority need’ in 2016 which is an increase of nearly half since 2009/10. Whilst in power we more than halved homelessness.


"We will continue our programme of strategic national investments including… Northern Powerhouse rail” Conservative Manifesto 2017, page 23

"Rail improvements the government has previously deemed vital to its Northern Powerhouse plan to tackle the north-south divide may not go ahead, the transport secretary said on Friday. Chris Grayling said the railway between Leeds and Manchester — one of the busiest in the country — is unlikely to be fully electrified, and that he was reviewing a plan to build two platforms at Manchester Piccadilly station to cope with extra trains. […] But on a visit to Manchester Mr Grayling said: “We don’t need to electrify all of every route. There are places that are built in Victorian times where it is very difficult to put up electric cables. “If there are bits of the Transpennine network that are complicated to do and we have a bi-mode train we can say, ‘Here is a section we can have a diesel’. We will be electrifying Transpennine but we can do it in a smarter way.”

Financial Times, 21 July 2017, https://www.ft.com/content/522c0f8e-6e0f-11e7-bf6e-33fe0e5b7eaa

"We will focus on creating extra capacity on the railways, which will ease overcrowding, bring new lines and stations, and improve existing routes - including for freight.” Conservative Manifesto, page 24

"The Department for Transport has come under attack for abandoning several rail upgrade projects and delaying a decision on future railway funding. […] Projects that have been axed include the Cardiff-to-Swansea section of the Great Western network, the Midland mainline and the short Oxenholme-to-Windermere line in the Lake District. The abandoning of the modernisation schemes came on the same day that Chris Grayling, the transport secretary, postponed until October a decision on future rail funding.”

Financial Times, 20 July 2017, https://www.ft.com/content/cf3d279e-6d5e-11e7-b9c7-15af748b60d0

"We will grant a free vote, on a government bill in government time, to give parliament the opportunity to decide the future of the Hunting Act." Conservative Manifesto 2017, page 26

"Environment minister Therese Coffey said the Conservatives are not planning to bring forward a free vote on repealing the fox hunting ban in "this session", suggesting it will be at least two years before such an idea is even considered.


"We will take action against poor air quality in urban areas.” Conservative Manifesto 2017, page 25

"The government’s new clean air plan has been branded inadequate by the leaders of eight heavily polluted cities, as campaigners said banning petrol and diesel cars from 2040 would not help the thousands dying each year from illnesses linked to toxic fumes.”

The escalating row has also put the Conservatives’ relationship with the DUP under strain, as Bombardier
were subject to £39.1bn for England, £2.9bn for Scotland and £1.7bn for Wales.

We will respect the devolution settlements: no decision-making that has been devolved will be taken back to
Westminster. Indeed, we envisage that the powers of the devolved administrations will increase as we leave the EU.”
Conservative Manifesto 2017, page 31

Clause 11 of the Bill contains new limitations on the legislative competence of the devolved legislatures, namely that
they cannot modify retained EU law unless it is already within competence. Power to extend competence by Order in
Council is given to the Crown.


“We will continue to work in partnership with the Scottish and Welsh government and the Northern Ireland
Executive, in a relationship underpinned by pooling and sharing resources through the Barnett Formula.”
Conservative Manifesto, page 31

If the agreement’s £1 billion for Northern Ireland were repeated in other parts of the UK according to the Barnett
Formula it would be equivalent to:

- Infrastructure: £28.7bn for England, £1.9bn for Scotland and £1.1bn for Wales.
- Education: £1bn for England, £145m for Scotland and £83m for Wales.
- Health: £8.9bn for England, £871m for Scotland and £503m for Wales.
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“Any funding that goes to Northern Ireland, then Barnett rules will ensure the appropriate funding comes to
Scotland.”

“We will continue with the current boundary review, enshrining the principle of equal seats, while reducing the
number of MPs to 600, similar to other Western democratic chambers.”
Conservative Manifesto, page 43

Theresa May is set to abandon plans to cut the size of the Commons by 50 seats amid fears of a rebellion by Tory
MPs, The Times has learnt. […] The Democratic Unionist Party (DUP) refused to sign up to support the boundary
review under a “confidence and supply” arrangement to keep Mrs May in office after the election, and the
Conservatives are eight seats short of an overall majority. No other opposition party backs boundary reform.
The Times, 6 September 2017, https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/may-set-to-drop-manifesto-pledge-on-reducing-number-of-mps-hxrcr03np

“We will continue the drive for open data, maintaining our position as the world leader.”
Conservative Manifesto, page 81

Claims that this government would be the most transparent in history have been exposed as a sham after it emerged
that nearly half the papers it was supposed to release for public scrutiny have been held back. Departments are expected
to publish details of spending as well as information on the gifts, hospitality, meetings and travel of ministers and
officials. But research shows that 92 out of the 202 “transparency” publications that ministers pledged to release are
either late or missing.


“Once EU law has been converted into domestic law, parliament will be able to pass legislation to amend, repeal or
improve any piece of EU law it chooses, as will the devolved legislatures, where they have the power to do so.”
Conservative Manifesto, page 36

“Clause 17(1) provides that ‘A Minister of the Crown may by regulations make such provision as the Minister
considers appropriate in consequence of this Act.’ Such an extensive power is hedged in by the fact that any provision
must somehow relate to withdrawal from the EU, but given that this will arguably extend to every facet of national life,
if granted it would, in effect, hand the government a legislative blank cheque.”
initial-reflections-on-the-bill

“We will build upon our existing special relationship with the United States, and forge new economic and security
partnerships that make us more prosperous at home and more secure abroad.”
Conservative Manifesto 2017, page 38

The US Department of Commerce decided Bombardier aircraft, built in Northern Ireland, should be subject to 219
per cent import duty after the American aviation giant Boeing complained that Bombardier had been given unfair state
aid. […] The escalating row has also put the Conservatives’ relationship with the DUP under strain, as Bombardier
employs more than 4,000 people at its Belfast factories.
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The British prime minister, who is hungry for new trade agreements to show the benefits of Brexit, is expected to
discuss a UK-Japan version of the deal Tokyo agreed in principle with the EU last month when she meets her Japanese
counterpart Shinzo Abe. But Japanese officials say their priority is completing the deal with Brussels, while negotiations with Britain will be difficult until there is clarity about its future relationship with the EU.  
Financial Times, 28 August 2017, https://www.ft.com/content/0047b3c2-8b1e-11e7-a352-e46f43c5825d
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