


Britain's "meaningful vote" timeline

An amendment to the EU Withdrawal Bill gave MPs a "meaningful vote" which stops government implementation of Prime Minister Theresa May's Brexit deal – agreed with Brussels – without Parliamentary approval



■ **Dec 11, 2018:** Following three days of debate in House of Commons, **Theresa May** (left) postpones meaningful vote due to lack of support in parliament

■ **Jan 15, 2019, First meaningful vote:** MPs reject vote by record-breaking **230 votes**

◀ In favour

202

Against ▶


432

Rebels: 118 out of 317 Conservative MPs vote against deal

■ **Jan 30:** Parliament votes by 317 to 301 to send May back to Brussels to renegotiate Northern Ireland issue of hard customs border

■ **Feb 20:** May fails to secure further legal assurances over Irish border in meeting with EU Commission president **Jean-Claude Juncker** (right)

■ **Mar 12, Second meaningful vote:** MPs reject May's Brexit deal by crushing **149 votes**



◀ In favour

242

Against ▶

391

Rebels: 75 Conservatives vote against deal

■ **Mar 27, indicative votes:** Eight alternatives fail to show majority support

Customs Union: Proposal by **Kenneth Clarke** (inset) fails by just **six votes**.

Option limits trade deals in **goods** with nations outside EU, but does not include trade deals in **services** – biggest part (70%) of UK economy

■ **Mar 29, Third meaningful vote:** MPs reject deal by **58 votes**



◀ In favour

286

Against ▶

344

Rebels: 34 Conservatives vote against deal

■ **Apr 1, indicative votes:** Vote to break deadlock fails with proposal to keep Britain in a customs union defeated by three votes