



ANNUAL REPORT – BREMAIN IN SPAIN – 24th October 2021

MEMBERSHIP Figures as of 23/10/21 compared to 08/03/2020

Facebook Members: 6062 up 380 from 5682 7%

Facebook Page Followers: 4073 up 442 from 3631 – 12%

Twitter Followers: 26,000 from 19,800 up 6,180 – 31%

Votes for Life Page Followers: 1035 up 103 from 932 -11%

AFFILIATIONS

Partners of **European Movement UK** (the only EU based group)

Members of **Grassroots for Europe**

Members of the **Make Votes Matter** "[Alliance for Proportional Representation](#)"

Members of the **Round Table** - a collaboration between "national pro-EU campaigning groups".

Membership is by invitation only and includes European Movement, Best for Britain and Grassroots for EU

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to campaign for stronger ties with Europe and to protect the rights of UK nationals.

We believe in a tolerant, outward-looking and caring society which is best achieved by maintaining close ties with Europe and promoting European values. We support the rights of EU citizens who have made a life in the UK, or who may wish to do so in future. We believe that freedom of movement is a positive force for the health and wealth of the UK, Spain, the EU, and for their respective citizens, regardless of nationality. We are actively campaigning on a number of initiatives and are helped by a team of highly-skilled and dedicated volunteers.

THE BREMAIN YEAR 2020/2021

This year was very different to previous years due to Covid so, there were no physical marches, face to face embassy meetings, gatherings, or campaign launches. In previous years, our Chair appeared at many rallies and events, but due to Covid restrictions, all our campaigning has this year been done at a safe distance"

We did find other ways of being heard through social media and our growing collective of members who are writing for various outlets as community journalists. Bremain are regularly approached for comment by the UK media, including being quoted regularly in Brexit supporting newspapers. Bremain Chair, Sue Wilson has been prolific and written dozens of articles, been interviewed, and quoted often. You can see a full list of all 'Bremain in the media', with links to all articles, below.

- **COVID SUPPORT**

At the request of our members, we made it a priority to provide support and information around Covid to members, keeping up to date with the ever-changing Covid requirements in Spain and updating our website accordingly.

- For updates on national Covid safety measures and restrictions, click [here](#)
- We set up 'buddy groups' during Covid to help those who were suffering with isolation.

- **LOBBYING ACTIVITIES**

Our amazing Lobby Group stayed active throughout the pandemic. They noted a drop in responses from Conservative MPs but continue to fill their inboxes up. Efforts included:

- Created lists of vulnerable Conservative MP's who won seats in 'the red wall' where there seems to be the greatest unrest from constituents
- Lobbied Labour MPs before the Labour Conference regarding working with other political parties in order to create a more united front against the Conservatives in any future elections. It is a difficult subject to broach with many.
- Lobbying both Labour and Liberal Democrat MP's to encourage closer ties with Europe. This is ongoing.
- Lobbied to continue the #RightToProtest in opposition to the Crime and Policing Bill
- Lobbying has been done on the failure of ministers to secure the rights of Britons who live in the EU with foreign spouses.
- 'Votes for Life' continues to be a theme of much lobbying and we are deeply disappointed that controversial changes, like voter ID has been included alongside it in the Elections Bill. Many emails have gone to MPs and Lords.
- Lobbying against parts of '[The Health Care Bill](#)' was another campaign - #NotInOurName
- Writing and congratulating MPs and Lords who do stand up and mention "Brexit" in both Houses, we need to encourage them to keep mentioning the "B" word!

EVENTS AND ACTIONS

- **May 2020**

- Bremain supported 'The Pause the Transition' campaign with European Movement UK

- **August 2020**

- Bremain launched its online store - To view or purchase Bremain branded merchandise from our store, click [here](#)

- **October 2020**
 - Sue Wilson took part in a protest against a no-deal Brexit at the Cowley BMW Mini plant which was reported in the [West England Bylines](#),
 - Sue Wilson featured on the latest Sixteen Million Rising recording, in good company with Prof. A.C. Grayling, former MEP, Molly Scott Cato, MP Geraint Davies & many others. You can listen in [here](#)

- **November 2020**
 - Bremain held its first Embassy webinar for its members, featuring guest speaker Lorna Geddie, the Regional Consular Policy Advisor for Spain and Portugal, from the British Embassy in Madrid
 - Sue Wilson talked to Bremain in Spain's founder Carrie Frais on [Radio Kanal Barcelona](#) about the "Soundtrack to my life"

- **February 2021**
 - Sue Wilson was interviewed about Brexit and Bremain in [La Madre de todos los podcasts](#) (at 71 minutes)
 - The publication of the book "**Living the Dream**", which includes a chapter written by Sue Wilson, attracted a lot of media attention in February

- **March 2021**
 - Sue Wilson also spoke to Remain campaigner **James Dart** in Episode 6 of a series of podcasts entitled *Remoaner: Telling Our Story*. You can listen on [Spotify](#) or watch it on [YouTube](#).

- **April 2021**
 - We set up a subgroup which we called **BIBA (Brexit Impact on British Abroad)** and compiled a survey which went out to members.
 - Sue Wilson took part in a meeting with representatives of the FCDO (Citizens' Rights department), British Embassy staff from Madrid and Paris and representatives of citizens' rights groups across the EU.

- **May 2021**
 - We used the data, and comments gathered from our survey to produce a comprehensive report and were invited to present this report as evidence to the then newly formed House of Lords European Affairs Select Committee. Sue Wilson was invited to give verbal evidence and [appeared in person](#) via Zoom on May 25th, 2021

- **June 2021**
 - Bremain Chair, Sue Wilson was honoured in the Queen's Speech with an MBE for services to British citizens in Spain and Europe

- **July 2021**
 - In recognition of Votes for Life Campaigner Harry Shindler OBE, council member Matt Burton produced a 100th Birthday video for Harry covering his many life achievements. It included video messages from European Movement UK, Best for Britain, Veterans for Europe, In Limbo, and many more. We also produced a birthday book, in which we added messages of congratulations from Bremain members. You can [watch the video here](#).

- **September 2021**

- Presented evidence regarding the proposed Elections Bill to the Public Administration and Parliamentary Affairs Committee (HOC). Our report focused on evidence around Votes for Life. We included members' testimonies, conclusions, and recommendations. To read the report, which includes testimonials from our members as to why their voting rights are so important to them, – open the [PDF here](#).

Bremain In the Media

Our media representation is now a major part of Bremain's activism. Sue Wilson has been by far the main contributing writer; and most quoted person, however, many members have been quoted in the media and even interviewed on TV. Member Mike Zollo is a regular writer for West Country Bylines, Lisa Burton, Vice Chair is a contributing writer for the Yorkshire Bylines and recently our Newsletter Editor, Helen Johnston, and council member Michael Phillips, have had articles published too.

- Over 120 articles published by either Sue Wilson, members, or council members.
- Radio interviews and podcasts with Sue and other Bremain members.
- Dozens of quotes and mentions across all media, including Brexit supporting.
- Members interviewed on TV.

A comprehensive addendum of all articles, quotes and appearances can be found (with links) at the end of this report.

BREMAINERS ASK / BREMAINERS ASK REVISTED We ask prominent individuals within the pro-European movement to answer questions put by our members. We have had some amazing contributors and are grateful for all their contributions. Our Bremainers Ask Revisited section gives earlier contributors a chance 'revisit' their opinions and answers on the topics previously covered as the political landscape shifts – A list of all participants can be found in an addendum at the end of this report.

BREMAIN ACHIEVEMENTS

- **7%** increase in membership of our Facebook group (since last AGM March 2020)
- **12%** increase in Facebook page followers (since last AGM March 2020)
- **31%** increase in Twitter followers (since last AGM March 2020)
- **11%** increase in Votes for Life Facebook page followers (since last AGM March 2020)
- Development of strong network of political supporters within the pro-European movement.
- Strengthened our connections in Westminster, with the (HOL) European Affairs Committee and the (HOC) Public Administration and Parliamentary Affairs Committee.
- Improved brand recognition within the Remain movement
- Stronger ties with our partners & collaborators, especially European Movement UK and Grassroots for Europe
- Stronger ties with the British Embassy and Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office
- Increased the number of press articles and the number of Bremain contributors to the media
- Several writers now contributing to the Bylines network
- Maintained a positive outlook when others have given up and given in!

Objectives

- Re-join the European Union
- Campaign for single market/customs union membership

- Hold the government to account and expose the damage of their Brexit policy
- Campaign for the restoration of our full voting rights
- Protect the rights of British citizens
- Campaign for closer ties with EU
- Campaign to re-instate our rights as full EU citizens
- Improve awareness of group aims in UK, Spain and the EU
- Increase our membership & followers on social media
- Strengthen relationships with EU institutions
- Expand our network of EU/UK collaborators
- Protect citizens rights of UK nationals
- To campaign for dedicated MP for UK nationals abroad
- Campaign for proportional representation and a progressive alliance

ADDENDUM - BREMAIN IN THE MEDIA – LINKS AND DETAILS

March/April 2020

- The Local:
 - 30/03/20 [There are lessons to be learned](#)
 - 06/04/20 [Those of us of a certain age are naturally worried about our vulnerability](#)
 - 10/04/20 [What's the first thing you'll do after lockdown?](#)
 - 20/04/20 [Coronavirus has made Brexit negotiations impossible so isn't it time to delay?](#)
 - 27/04/20 [If ever there was a time for UK to go it alone, it surely isn't now](#)
- **Sue Wilson** talked about how she is keeping busy during lockdown in [SUR in English](#)'s feature on Inspiration from Indoors (page 16) and on 14 April [Bremain member Beckii Leigh Smith was interviewed by ITV News](#)
- **In Limbo Webinar** event featuring Sue Wilson – Testimonials from Brits in EU

May 2020

- The Local
 - 04/05/20 [The feeling of freedom was one I expected. The feeling of nervousness was one I had not.](#)
 - 11/05/20 [Spain's coronavirus policy appears to put health before wealth](#)
 - 18/05/20 [Coronavirus is the perfect scapegoat, even for Brexit](#)
 - 25/05/20 [What will Brits need to get "settled status"?](#)

June 2020

- **Sue Wilson** wrote articles on travel between Spain and the UK [here](#) and in British tourists to Spain [here](#)

July 2020

- The Local:
 - 01/07/20 [Our lives in Spain are changing, no matter how you view Brexit](#)

- [06/07/20 Watching the UK from Spain is like watching a slow-motion car crash](#)
- [15/07/20 Time for under-the-radar Brits to become official residents](#)
- [25/07/20 I trust the Spanish government to protect rights of Britons in Spain](#)
- **Sue Wilson** article for Yorkshire Bylines in response to the [welcome message to UK citizens](#) extended by Spanish Secretary of State Hana Jalloul.
- **Sue Wilson** was [quoted in the Guardian](#) commenting on Spain's approach to registering UK citizens in the article [UK urges EU countries to ensure Britons can stay after Brexit](#).
- **Sue Wilson** was quoted in the [Telegraph](#) saying Spain travel ban has *little to do with health, and much to do with Brexit*.

August 2020

- The Local:
 - [06/08/20 Brits flocking to Spain because of Brexit](#)
 - [19/08/20 We're still waiting to be reunited](#)
 - [26/08/20 Spain's recent rise in infections is of concern to us all including the retired](#)
- [27/08/20 - Yorkshire Bylines](#) published an article by Bremain Council member **Lisa Ryan Burton** entitled [Brexit brings the end of an era for UK sellers on Amazon](#).

September 2020

- The Local
 - [03/09/20 Our rights are safe in the hands of the Spanish government](#)
 - [14/09/20 Just when we thought we could relax & feel secure, the next spanner has been thrown in the works](#)
 - [22/9/20 Travelling to the EU will be more complicated & more expensive](#)
 - [11/09/20 Yorkshire Bylines](#) UK lob a hand grenade into Brexit negotiations
 - [21/09/20 Yorkshire Bylines](#) Going to Europe next year?

October 2020

- The Local
 - [07/10/20 Nobody should be forced to choose between family in the UK or in Spain](#)
 - [14/10/20 'No one checked on me': What it's like travelling between Spain and the UK right now](#)
 - [21/10/20 The deadline for Brits to apply for residencia should be extended](#)
 - [27/10/20 Do Spain's new measures leave you grateful, upset or just plain confused?](#)
- **Sue Wilson** featured on the latest **Sixteen Million Rising** recording, in good company with Prof. A.C. Grayling, former MEP, Molly Scott Cato, MP Geraint Davies & many others. You can listen in [here](#)
- **Sue Wilson** took part in a protest against a no-deal Brexit at the Cowley BMW Mini plant which was reported in the [West England Bylines](#), and she was quoted in the [EU reporter](#).

- Following Boris Johnson's announcement that the UK is prepared to walk away from EU trade negotiations without a deal, [Yorkshire Bylines](#) published an open letter to him by **Sue Wilson**.

November 2020

- **The Local**
 - 04/11/20 [Can Spain avoid another lockdown?](#)
 - 11/11/20 [Why Biden's victory could have an impact on Brexit negotiations](#)
 - 17/11/20 [Any Brexit deal will be sold as a victory but there won't be any winners](#)
 - 23/11/20 [Brits are giving up hope of spending Xmas with UK family & friends](#)
- **Sue Wilson** talked to Bremain in Spain's founder Carrie Fraix on Radio Kanal Barcelona about the ["Soundtrack to my life"](#)

December 2020

- **The Local**
 - 02/12/20 [We should be furious about the 90-day rule, but not at the EU](#)
 - 11/12/20 [Remain voters are better prepared for Brexit than leavers](#)
 - 31/12/20 [SUR in English](#) **Sue Wilson** was quoted in Brexit campaign groups welcome trade deal by lament loss of rights (article on page 4)
 - 29/12/20 [What does 2021 hold for those in Spain who fought Brexit?](#)
 - [West England Bylines](#) **Sue Wilson** Brexit means for British citizens in Europe, by
 - [Yorkshire Bylines](#) **Sue Wilson's** second open letter to Boris Johnson
 - [Yorkshire Bylines](#) The fear of immigrant crime, by **Lisa Burton**
 - [Daily Mail](#) published an article on the 90-day rule featuring Bremain member **Anne Juliff**.

January 2021 – Much interest after the end of the transition period.

- **Articles by Sue Wilson**
 - 07/1/21 [How Brexit is delivering unpleasant surprises for Brits in Spain](#)
 - 14/1/21 [Brits will need to get used to life without cheddar](#)
 - 25/1/21 [Has Covid changed the way we live our lives in Spain forever?](#)
 - 18/1/21 [Olive Press](#) Sue Wilson was quoted in Old & the new as Brexit bites in so many ways
 - 22/1/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Sue Wilson's article Biden gives the world hope
- **Other Bremain members in the media**
 - 01/1/21 [BBC Radio London](#) The Brexit effect on citizens, featuring **Louise Balkan** (from 38 mins in)
 - 01/1/21 [RFI](#) (French Radio Station) Interview with **Sue Wilson** re Brexit effect (from 9 mins in)
 - 4/1/21 [The Local](#) **Sue Wilson** was quoted in Spain moves to clear up travel confusion for returning Brits
 - 09/1/21 [Postfactual](#) El adiós del Reino Unido de la Unión Europea - featuring **Gregory Hunt**
 - 11/1/21 [BBC Radio 4](#) Today programme – featuring **Tracey Sheehan** (1hr & 25 mins in)

- 12/1/21 [BBC](#) Brexit leaves Spain's Costa Brits facing dilemma's – featuring **Tracey Sheehan**
- 22/1/21 [West Country Bylines](#) Article by Bremain member **Mike Zollo** – Covid in a 'pueblo blanco'

February 2021

- **Articles by Sue Wilson**
 - 01/2/21 [The Local Spain](#) Spain should stick to its two-dose vaccine strategy
 - 07/2/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Sue's third open letter to Boris Johnson
 - 10/2/21 [West England Bylines](#) Is retirement in Spain now out of the question?
 - 23/2/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) With the electoral integrity bill reduce or increase voter participation
- **Articles by other Bremain members**
 - **West Country Bylines** published several excellent articles by Bremain member **Mike Zollo** this month: [Bikes, Beeswax & bloomers](#) (part 1), [Beeswax & bloomers](#) (part 2), [Has Brexit wrecked my life's work?](#) and, finally, [Flag of convenience](#).
- The publication of the book "**Living the Dream**", which includes a chapter written by Sue Wilson, attracted a lot of media attention in February
 - 01/2/21 [Costa Connection](#) Review of 'Living the Dream' featuring Sue Wilson/Bremain-Chapter 4
 - 06/2/21 [SUR in English](#) Review of "Living the Dream" book, featuring Sue Wilson (page 20)
 - 16/2/21 [The Leader](#) The truth behind "expat" life – Review of "Living the dream"
 - 18/2/21 [Majorca Daily Bulletin](#) The truth behind "expat" life – Review of "Living the dream"
 - 17/2/21 [The Local](#) Review of "Living the dream". What's the truth about 'expat' life?
 - 24/2/21 [Talk Radio Europe](#) Interview with Sue Wilson about "Bremain in Spain – A Brexit legacy" (Re Living the Dream book) – available on catch-up until 3/3/21
 - Sue Wilson was interviewed about Brexit and Bremain in [La Madre de todos los podcasts](#) (at 71 minutes)

March 2021

- **Articles by Sue Wilson**
 - 02/03/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Open letter to Matt Hancock – by Sue Wilson
 - 05/03/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Government pledges £2.5m to provide votes for Brits overseas
 - 06/03/21 [Olive Press](#) How a British woman in Spain who lacked the confidence to talk about politics became a leading campaigner (online edition)
 - 08/03/21 [West England Bylines](#) International Women's Day 2021
 - 10/03/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Brits in Spain risk being caught out by the 90-day rule
 - 10/03/21 [Olive Press](#) Battling Brexit (Print edition, page 17, plus photo on front cover)
 - 18/03/21 [Olive Press](#) Brits in EU welcome move to scrap 15 year rule
 - 20/03/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Stereotypes of Brits abroad
 - 28/03/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Beyond Brexit – Conclusions and recommendations of Lords EU Select Committee
- **Articles by other Bremain members/council**

- 04/03/21 [West Country Bylines](#) If we throw language learning under the Brexit bus, it's the UK that will suffer – **Mike Zollo**
- 16/03/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Amazon sales after Brexit: the tale of our first delivery – **Lisa Burton**
- 16/03/21 [West Country Bylines](#) The Brexit classic car crash – **Mike Zollo**
- 28/03/21 [West Country Bylines](#) How the Spanish press sees us – **Mike Zollo**
- **Other media**
 - Sue Wilson was quoted in articles discussing the removal of the 15-year limit on voting:
 - 04/03/21 [The Local](#) The 15-year rule: Long-term Britons to get right to vote in UK elections
 - 05/03/21 [SUR in English](#) UK gov moves to scrap 15-year voting rule (page 14)
 - She was quoted again in The Local on the 90-day limit for British visitors to Spain:
 - 24/03/21 [The Local](#) Why some Britons will have to leave EU countries by 31/3
 - Sue also chatted to Remain campaigner **James Dart** in Episode 6 of a series of podcasts entitled *Remoaner: Telling Our Story*. You can listen on [Spotify](#) or watch it on [YouTube](#).

April 2021

- **Press articles by Breman Chair, council or members**
 - 01/04/21 [West Country Bylines](#) Helping the police with their enquiries - **Mike Zollo**
 - 01/04/21 [Costa Blanca News](#) Royal Decree 689 - **Michael Frederick Phillips**
 - 05/04/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Covid & the treatment of Brits in the EU - **Sue Wilson**
 - 10/04/21 [West Country Bylines](#) Fascism has never gone away Letters to the editor from Breman in Spain members - **Mike Zollo**
 - 11/04/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Is it time to drop the divisive labels? - **Sue Wilson**
 - 14/04/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) The challenges of law enforcement & security after Brexit - **Lisa Burton**
 - 16/04/21 [Medium](#) The rip-off shambles that is UK's track & trace system for international travel - **Maya Middlemiss**
 - 23/04/21 [West Country Bylines](#) Boris Johnson IS Pinocchio. How the Italian press see our PM - and us -**Mike Zollo**
 - 26/04/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Tourism and the Spanish economy - **Sue Wilson**
- **Breman Chair, council or members quoted/interviewed**
 - 09/03/21 [Authority Magazine](#) (USA) How I reinvented myself in the second chapter of my life
 - 03/03/21 [Daily Mirror](#) Brit expats 'ignoring' post-Brexit order to leave Spain
 - 31/03/21 [Schengen Visa Info](#) 1000s of Britons about to start their illegal stay in the EU
 - 01/04/21 [New European](#) Brits "burying their heads in the sand"
 - 01/04/21 [Independent](#) Brits ordered back on plane to UK over Brexit rules
 - 02/04/21 [Talk Radio Europe Interview with Sue Wilson on Brexit impacts](#)
 - 02/04/21 [Independent](#) A message to the Brits forced to return from Spain this is Brexit
 - 07/04/21 [City AM](#) British expats flee Spain to avoid deportation
 - 08/04/21 [Express](#) Help for expats in Spain: extra £1million in fund for UK pensioners
 - 09/04/21 [FT](#) Brexit bites Britons who own homes in EU wrangle with red tape
 - 17/04/21 [Express](#) Expats betrayal "EU not sticking to their end of the bargain"
 - 25/04/21 [Express](#) Sue Wilson (with video) Brexit warning UK pensioners in Spain struggle amid soaring health costs 'system failing'

- 26/04/21 [EuroWeekly News](#) UK pensioners in Spain struggle with a ‘failing system’ amid soaring health costs

May 2021

- **Articles by Bremain Chair and members:**

- 12/05/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Electoral Integrity Bill: voter rights versus voter suppression - **Sue Wilson**
- 14/05/21 [West Country Bylines](#) The culture test – welcoming new citizens or a way to stop immigration? - **Mike Zollo**
- 19/05/21 [West Country Bylines](#) The UK’s shameful hostile environment is persecuting hope - **Mike Zollo**
- 20/05/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Lord Frost, chief Brexit negotiator – UK/EU relationship a “bit bumpy” - **Sue Wilson**
- 23/05/21 [The Local](#) After Brexit, what are the issues that worry Brits in Spain? - **Sue Wilson**
- 27/05/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Brits abroad, EU Citizens in the UK, European Affairs Committee - **Sue Wilson**
- 27/05/21 [Olive Press](#) How the fight for the rights of UK citizens in Spain continues after Brexit - **Sue Wilson**
- 28/05/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Votes for Life – restoration of voting rights for Brits abroad - **Sue Wilson**

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- **Quotes by/interviews with Chair/Bremain members:**

- 29/04/21 [In Limbo Too](#) event featuring Sue Wilson – Testimonials from Brits in EU
- 02/05/21 [Daily Express](#) Sue Wilson quoted and interviewed on camera: British expats face driving licence fiasco
- 04/05/21 [Olive Press](#) Andrew Hesselden quoted: Brits unite in fight to extend 90-day allowance in Spain
- 10/05/21 [Daily Express](#) Sue Wilson quoted and interviewed on camera: British expats face total EU ban for failure to register
- 25/05/21 [London Economic](#) Sue Wilson quoted: UK & EU groups tell parliament about protecting citizens’ rights post Brexit
- 28/05/21 [Olive Press](#) Sue quoted: Long-term Brits in Spain gain right to ‘votes for life’ in UK elections
- 28/05/21 [El Pais](#) Sue quoted: From boarding passes to TIE - The latest updates for Brits in Spain

June 2021

- **Articles by Chair/Bremain members**

- 04/06/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) **Sue Wilson:** Covid & Brexit a pair of thieves
- 10/06/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) **Sue Wilson:** Latest round of Brexit negotiations
- 12/06/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) **Sue Wilson:** Open letter to Boris Johnson from Sue Wilson MBE
- 12/06/21 [West Country Bylines](#) **Mike Zollo:** Get Britain on its bike part 1
- 20/06/21 [West Country Bylines](#) **Mike Zollo:** Get Britain on its bike - part 2

- **Chair/members quoted/mentioned in the media**

- 06/06/21 [Catalonia Today](#) Living the reality coverage of the book “Living the dream expat life stripped bare”

- 11/06/21 [London Economic](#) Brexipats ask people to “stand up for them & defend them”
- 11/06/21 [Euroweekly](#) UK nationals in Spain awarded MBE’s in Queen’s Honours List
- 12/06/21 [SUR](#) Brits in Spain awarded MBE’s in Queen’s Birthday Honours List
- 12/06/21 [Majorca Daily Bulletin](#) Queens’ birthday honours list MBEs in Spain names
- 12/06/21 [Olive Press](#) Brits in Spain named in Queen’s Birthday Honours List
- 12/06/21 [The Local](#) Brits in Spain receiving MBE’s for their selfless support to UK nationals post Brexit
- 12/06/21 [El Set](#) Two British residents of Alcossebre will receive MBEs for their work against Brexit
- 14/06/21 [Connexion](#) Campaigners for Brits abroad recognised in Queen’s Birthday Honours List
- 14/06/21 [English Radio News](#) 4 Britons in Spain awarded MBEs
- 15/06/21 [London Economic](#) Expats recognised in Queen’s Honours list for post Brexit campaigning
- 18/06/21 [The Times](#) What does Brexit mean for expats & second-home owners?
- 19/06/21 [Daily Express](#) Furious expats lobby for Spain to change the 90-day limit
- **On the radio**
 - 23/06/21 [LBC](#) Tom Swarbrick show - Interview with Sue Wilson
 - 24/06/21 [El Pais Podcast](#) Sue Wilson interview
 - 24/06/21 [Talk Radio Europe](#) (TRE) Interview with Sue Wilson on the Hannah Murray Show (8.00-10.00 tune in around 9.20 a.m.)

July 2021

- **Articles by Bremain Chair and members**
 - 05/07/21 [West Country Bylines](#) **Mike Zollo** El show del Brexit cumple cinco años
 - 07/07/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) **Lisa Ryan Burton** “Black lives matter is a Marxist organisation”
 - 07/07/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) **Sue Wilson** Learning to live with covid
 - 08/07/21 [West Country Bylines](#) **Mike Zollo** Covid, masks & compliance why my wife & I feel safer in Spain letter to the editor
 - 09/07/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) **Sue Wilson** Football may be coming home, but we’re not
 - 21/07/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) **Sue Wilson** Frost’s command plan for the NI Protocol
 - 23/07/21 [Olive Press](#) **Sue Wilson** Review of the House of Lords European Affairs Committee report on citizens’ rights, published today
- **Sue Wilson and Bremain members quoted:**
 - 08/07/21 [Olive Press](#): Brits living in Spain “furious” that new quarantine exemption doesn’t apply to those vaccinated outside UK
 - 10/07/21 [Express](#) Brits in Spain explode at UK quarantine rules: “We deserve better”
 - **Bremain Twitter team** mentioned:
 - 20/07/21 [London Economic](#) Spanish care home worker sacked

August 2021

- **Articles by Bremain Chair and members**
 - 01/08/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Travel farce Anger from British nationals in Europe - by **Lisa Burton**, Vice Chair
 - 02/08/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Denying care to the elderly? Age is just a number - by **Sue Wilson**, Chair
 - 12/08/21 [Kent Bylines](#) The Spanish healthcare system a personal view - by **Mike Phillips**, Council member

- 12/08/21 [West Country Bylines](#) What about MY freedom of movement? - by **Mike Zollo**, group member
- 15/08/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Climate crisis action vs hypocrisy - by **Sue Wilson**, Chair
- 23/08/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Parliamentary inquiry into elections bill takes evidence - by **Sue Wilson**, Chair
- **Bremain quoted in the media**
 - 27/08/21 [The Local](#) Brexit & Spain a round-up of the latest news & updates - Sue Wilson quoted

September 2021

- **Articles by Bremain chair and members**
 - 01/09/21 [West Country Bylines](#) School trips abroad: the “Grand Tour” blighted by Brexit – by **Mike Zollo**
 - 03/09/21 [West England Bylines](#) Hands off my pension! – by **Sue Wilson**
 - 08/09/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Getting Brexit undone – by **Sue Wilson**
 - 10/09/21 [Kent Bylines](#) Magdalena & Mike’s travelogue stage 1 – by **Mike Phillips**
 - 17/09/21 [Bremain website](#) Open letter to Lord Frost – by **Sue Wilson**
 - 19/09/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Buying products from the EU after Brexit: a hefty price to pay – by **Sue Wilson**
 - 21/09/21 [West Country Bylines](#) The double-whammy Covid 19 & Brexit in Spain – by **Mike Zollo**
 - 26/09/21 [Kent Bylines](#) First impression of Hungary on landing – by **Mike Phillips**
 - 27/09/21 [Yorkshire Bylines](#) Fuel crisis? What crisis? – by **Sue Wilson**
 - 29/01/21 [West Country Bylines](#) Closing doors: Brexit and TEFL teaching in Spain – by **Helen Johnston**
- **Bremain quoted in the media**
 - 10/09/21 [The Local](#) Brexit news round-up: all the latest info for Brits in Spain **Sue Wilson** quoted
 - 16/09/21 [West Country Bylines](#) BBC’s desperate efforts to airbrush out Brexit **Sue Wilson** quoted
 - 22/09/21 [London Economic](#) Open letter to Brexit minister David Frost slams negotiations tactics with EU **Sue Wilson** quoted

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Addendum - Breainers Ask 2020 -2021



March 2020 – [Naomi Smith](#) CEO, Best For Britain, co-hosts the very popular Remainiacs podcast.



March 2020 – [Breainers Ask Revisited](#) with Seb Dance, former MEP, Michael Dougan, EU Law Expert, Liverpool University



April 2020 – [Ian Dunt](#) Journalist, Editor of Politics.co.uk, Author of Brexit: What The Hell Happens Now? and 'How To Be A Liberal', a host on the Remainiacs podcast.



May 2020 – [Jessica Simor QC](#) - leading specialist in public/regulatory, EU and human rights law - represented Sue Wilson and others in the Wilson vs. the Prime Minister (Theresa May)



June 2020 - [Joan Pons Laplana](#) – Spanish, NHS nurse/activist - BJN Nurse of the Year award in 2018



July 2020 - [Breainers Ask revisited](#) with Sue Wilson



August 2020 – [Jonathan Lis](#) – Worked EU Parliament, Political TV commentator, journalist, worked at the Unrepresented Nations and People's Organisation



November 2020 – [Breainers Ask Revisited](#) with Moly Scott Catto, Ian Dunt & Naomi Smith



November 2020 – [Catherine Bearder](#) – Former MEP, founded MEPs4Wildlife, campaigner, former Campaign Director for Britain in Europe in the Southeast of



April 2021 – [Richard Corbett](#) – Former MEP, Member Labour’s NEC and cabinet, *Deputy chef de cabinet* to the Secretary General of the European Parliament, on Secretariat of Conf on the Future of Europe



May 2021 – [Lord Andrew Adonis](#) – Chair of European Movement UK, a Labour peer, historian and journalist who served in government under both Tony Blair and Gordon Brown



June 2021 – [Terry Reintke MEP](#) - Vice-president of the Greens/EFA in the European Parliament, Co-president of the LGBTI Intergroup and founder of the EU-UK Friendship Group. TIME magazine’s coverage for Person of the Year 2017



July 2021 – [Anna Bird](#), CEO European Movement UK, started her career as a stagiaire in the European Parliament



August 2021 - [Brexiters Ask Revisited](#) – Naomi Smith, Ian Dunt & Jonathan Lis



October 2021 - [Peter Jukes](#) author, screenwriter, playwright, literary critic and journalist. Founder and executive editor of Byline Times co-founder of Byline Festival.