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MESSAGE FROM SINN FEIN PRESIDENT

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In 2017 seven Sinn Féin MPs were elected to stand up for the interests of the Irish people and against the catastrophe of Brexit foisted on us by a toxic DUP/Tory alliance.

Our MPs honoured their commitment to the electorate and stood firm against this agenda. They stood firm in the best interests of citizens across the island.

They helped deliver the unique status for the north of Ireland in the Withdrawal Agreement – preventing a hardening of the border, stopping a unionist veto and protecting the Good Friday Agreement.

Sinn Féin MPs, working with the all-Ireland Sinn Féin team in Dublin, in London, in Washington and in Brussels, used their strength and influence where it counts and we delivered.

Sheas Sinn Féin suas ar son na gceart, ar son an gheilleagair agus ar son na tíre.

Our MPs showed what can be done by delivering on their commitment to the electorate.

English Tories created the Brexit mess. Westminster's response to this is chaos and dysfunction. The excesses of Brexit have been tempered in Dublin and in Brussels - not in the circus of Westminster politics.

Now we have an opportunity to send a strong message to the Tory government that we reject their Brexit. The ultimate answer to Brexit is the Unity poll set out in the Good Friday Agreement which can give us automatic re-entry into the European Union.

Let's seize that opportunity, seize the moment and return the strongest team of Sinn Féin MPs in this election.

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USE YOUR VOTE TO **BRING ABOUT CHANGE**

This election is about your future. In 2016 a cross-community majority of people in the north voted to remain within the EU; voted to protect your best interests, people's jobs and livelihoods, and your rights and entitlements currently enjoyed as Irish and EU citizens.

Since then the Tories and the DUP have ignored your views.

The dominant voice in the Tory party has been of right-wing English nationalism. They have disregarded the voices of citizens in Scotland and the north of Ireland to remain. But the game is far from over. Your vote for remain candidates in this election is again about sending a message about which union you want to belong to; Ireland in Europe or Britain.

For three years the Tory/DUP desire for a Brexit at any cost has led us to the verge of crashing out of the EU without a deal and a reintroduction of a hard border on our island. This threat has not disappeared.

But there is a solution that allows us to ensure that we do not have a hard border, with all the political and financial consequences that would flow from that. A solution that frees us up to shape our own political destiny, free from the diktats of right-wing English nationalism. That solution is contained within the Good Friday Agreement – the creation of a new, agreed and united Ireland – an inclusive society.

Spurious arguments that this is not the time for such a democratic exercise miss the fact that the discussion about our future is live and growing. Some on this island who are content with the status quo don't want to face the prospect of change; particularly when it must herald a realignment of politics on the island of Ireland. But the voices and desires of ordinary citizens will not be suppressed.

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BREXIT:

There is no good Brexit. The Tory government and the Westminster parliament created Brexit. The British government and the Westminster parliament are committed to Brexit. There is no British or Westminster solution to Brexit.

The Irish solution to Brexit will only be found in Dublin and in Europe. That is where Sinn Féin has focussed our efforts to protect Ireland, the Irish economy and the best interests of all citizens from the disaster of Brexit and the chaos of Westminster.

TEAM SINN FÉIN HAVE DELIVERED:

- **SPECIAL STATUS FOR THE NORTH;**
- **NO HARDENING OF THE BRITISH BORDER IN IRELAND;**
- **PROTECTION FOR THE GOOD FRIDAY AGREEMENT;**
- **NO UNIONIST VETO;**
- **AUTOMATIC RE-ENTRY TO EUROPE THROUGH IRISH UNITY.**

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USING INFLUENCE WHERE IT MATTERS

Sinn Féin has been anti-Brexit from the start. We campaigned across the North for Remain.

After the referendum we identified Europe, Dublin, and Washington as the key points of engagement in countering the Brexit process. Initially the focus in Europe was on Scotland. The then Taoiseach, Enda Kenny, when he first went to Brussels talked about Scotland and didn't mention the North of Ireland. In that context we launched a political offensive highlighting the case for Special Status for North.

We took legal advice and presented legal positions that proved Special Status was not only possible but imperative to protect Irish interests. Defending the GFA would be key in challenging the DUP/Tory Brexit strategy.

We established direct links with many key players. We published and distributed thousands of pamphlets around Europe and Ireland - highlighting the key points of concern, and how they could be addressed. In Brussels our voice was being heard and our analysis sought by many.

In Dublin we led and won the debate for Special Status. Over time all the political parties in the Dáil moved on to our position. The Irish Government's approach to Brexit has been significantly influenced by our ideas and sustained by political and community pressure. Our approach was always to be constructive.

We have worked closely with Border Communities Against Brexit (BCAB). Their public profile and publicity provided them the space to influence. Sinn Féin successfully nominated BCAB for a civic award in Brussels. This amplified the popular anti-Brexit voice both at home in Ireland and in Brussels.

In Westminster we regularly met with every political party to explain the need to protect the GFA in any Brexit deal. We engaged with the British Government directly. We continue to do so.

But we recognised that participation in the Westminster political system was never going to deliver the results/influence we wanted. The numbers game there is rigged. Scotland and the north of Ireland are small fry in the Westminster numbers game. The SNP/DUP experience illustrate that perfectly.

For instance, despite 59 Scottish MPs taking their seats in Westminster their voice is ignored. The British government have twice struck deals with the EU27 which ignored Scottish interests. The outcome of the DUP's dalliance with the Tories needs no rehearsal here. The electorate's voice needs not just to be heard but heeded.

We have worked where your voice counts. So, we have worked at the other side of the negotiating table to ensure those in Dublin, Brussels and Washington who would be negotiating on Ireland's behalf understood the power of the GFA and could bring that weight to bear on the process.

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Our approach to Westminster is not only right in principle – but clearly in these times it is practically and strategically correct also. We have helped shape and influence the debate in the places where power ultimately lies. Sinn Féin drove the demand for special arrangements and the protection of the GFA.

In an ever increasingly globalised world - our constituents are savvy enough to understand that political representation is about having a voice strong enough to be heard in the corridors of power throughout the world - from Capitol Hill in America, Downing Street in London, the Dáil in Dublin and Brussels - Sinn Féin is the only political party that can offer that active, robust representation where it matters.

Sinn Féin MPs will continue to use their influence to promote Irish Unity as Ireland's solution to an English Brexit.

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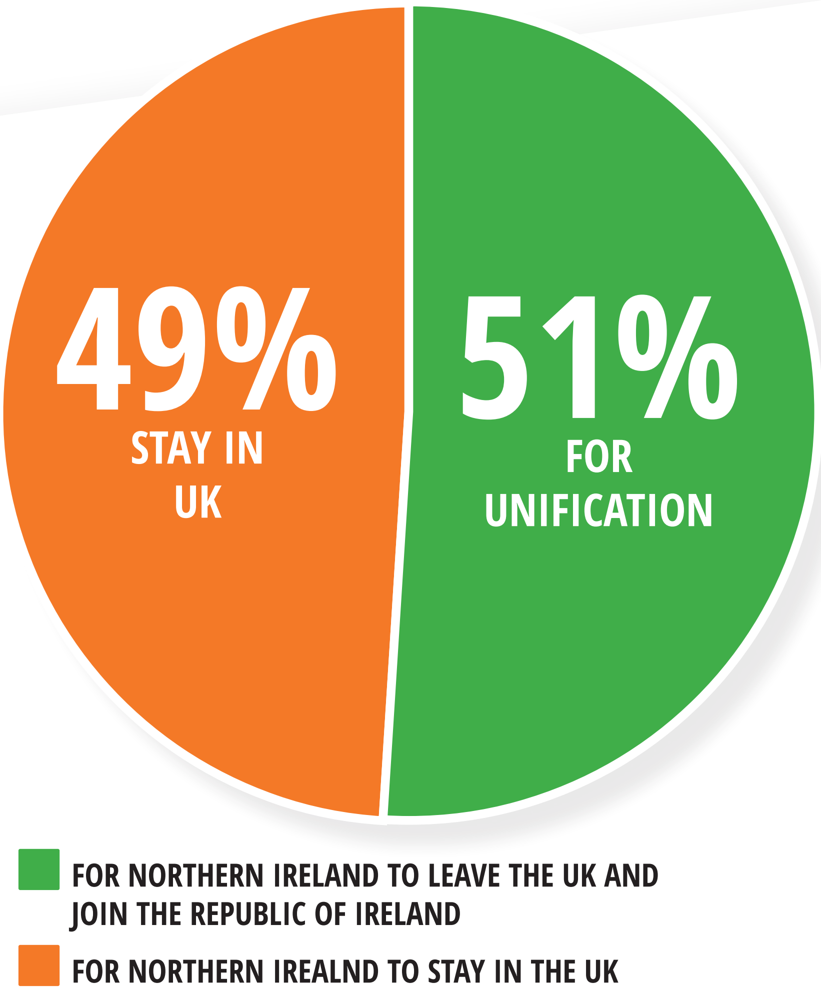
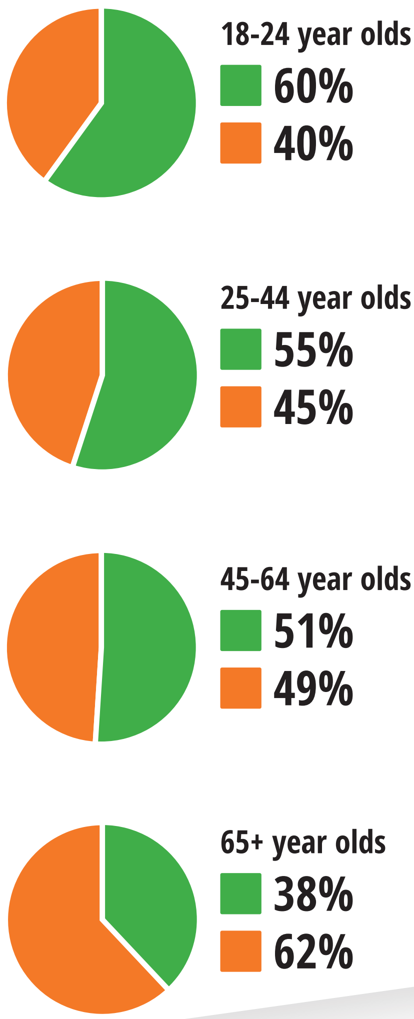
LOOKING
TO THE FUTURE

The debate on Irish unity has moved centre stage. Brexit has been a dynamic which has fuelled the public debate around Irish unity leading many, from a range of backgrounds including unionists, to consider where their future interests lie. While Irish unity is not inevitable – we have to work to make it happen - the reality is that the debate has taken on a new dimension. A referendum on Irish unity is coming. It’s no longer a question of ‘if’, but ‘when’.

In a recent opinion poll in the north carried out on behalf of the Tory peer, Lord Ashcroft a majority of those polled said that if there was a referendum on Irish unity tomorrow, they would vote in favour of unity.





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In the south there has been resistance from the political establishment to start planning for Irish reunification. It is the responsibility of all governments to plan for the future. The Irish Government has a responsibility to lead the discussion on Irish unity. It must urgently convene a truly representative, all-Ireland forum to discuss and plan for Irish unity.

It is clear that the electorate are well ahead of the politicians. An Exit Poll conducted on behalf of RTE/TG4 shows us that 77% of voters would support a united Ireland, even if the vote was held tomorrow.

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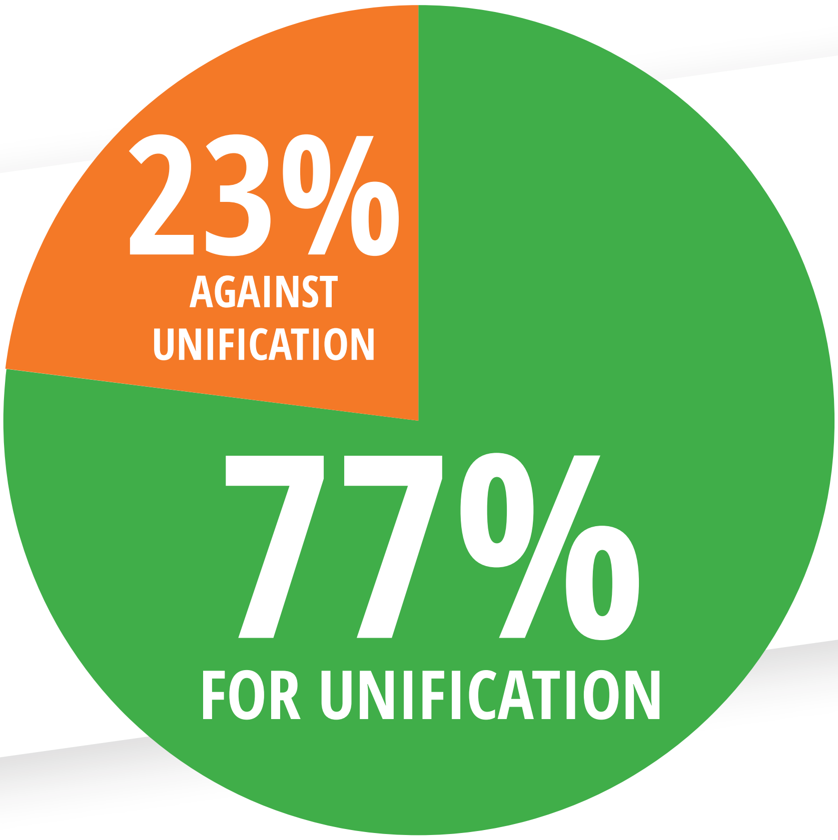

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The Good Friday Agreement provides the avenue for Irish unity based on the right of self-determination and the principle of consent. The power to trigger a referendum rests with the British Secretary of State and Sinn Féin MPs will continue to call on them to set out, in clear and unambiguous terms, the circumstances in which they will call the referendum. It is clear that support for Irish unity is growing.

A recent BMG survey in Britain for The Independent newspaper found that, excluding the don't knows, 73% were in favour of allowing the north to decide whether to remain in the UK or 'join the Republic'.

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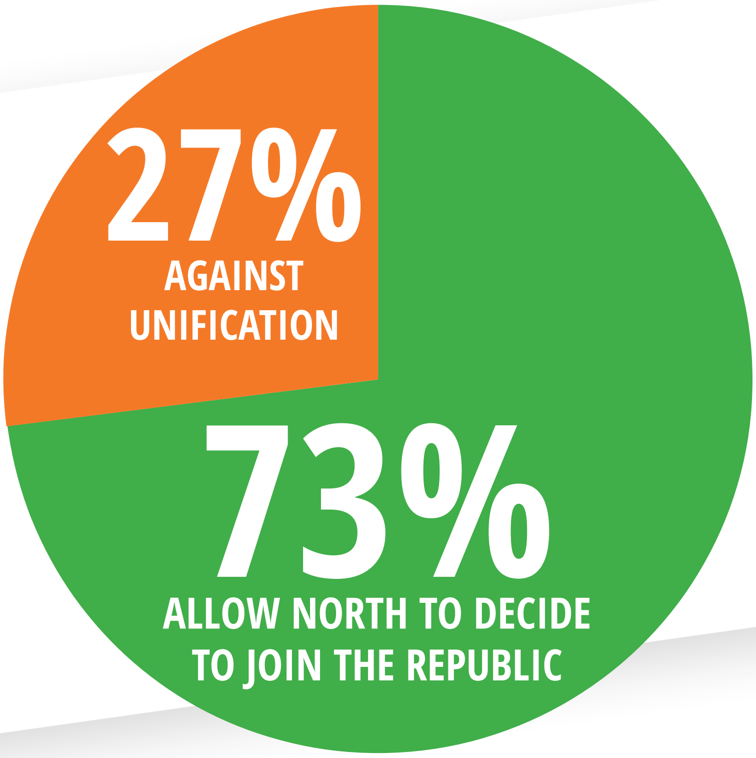

Sinn Féin will continue to push the Irish government to lead the conversation on Irish unity. An Oireachtas committee on unity must be formed and a Green Paper on unity published.

Irish unity is the democratic alternative to Brexit which the people of the North have not consented to.

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MAKING POLITICS **WORK**

All elections and referendums on this island are inextricably linked in respect of their impacts; local government, An Dáil, Westminster, the Assembly, Europe, the GFA and Brexit.

Sinn Féin remains fully invested in and committed to the Good Friday Agreement.

The commitment to a referendum on a united Ireland is within this Agreement.

It cannot be cherry-picked.

This includes the restoration of an Assembly that works for everyone.

The current political impasse is unacceptable.

Three years after the RHI scandal brought the assembly down people deserve functioning government and genuine power-sharing. They demand integrity in government.

An agreement was reached in February '18, however the DUP regrettably walked off the pitch.

That is not a sustainable position.

The delivery of rights cannot be avoided, National Rights, Citizenship Rights and National Identity.

At the start of the year, after years of campaigning, same sex couples will be able to marry the one they love.

The injustice of women being criminalised has ended.

There is now a consultation underway which Sinn Féin will help shape to provide access to compassionate health care for all women.

After years of waiting the Historical Institutional Abuse victims can see some light in their journey for compensation.

We should be legislating for these things in the Assembly that we are elected to.

Sinn Féin stand ready to form a credible Executive.

A new Assembly and a new kind of politics is what we are working towards.

To be credible, then it must adequately deliver on issues like welfare mitigations, public sector pay, safe staffing levels for health care workers, strong economic policies that lift all parts of the economy, action to tackle the climate emergency and investment in rural communities.

To be credible all of the outstanding issues must be dealt with, including an Irish Language Act and reform of the use of the Petition of Concern.

It must also include dealing with the legacy of the past.

Failure to deal properly with the legacy issues is hindering reconciliation and is impacting negatively on our peace process.

Victims and survivors have had to wait for far too long for truth and justice.

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The Stormont House Agreement must be implemented by the British Government immediately.

Those who call for special treatment for British soldiers who murdered Irish citizens are out of order.

There can be no amnesties for British State forces now or ever.

Everyone should be equal before the law.

Successive British governments have failed to legislate to give full effect to the Good Friday Agreement provision which recognises the birth right of people here to be British, Irish or both.

Sinn Féin support fully Emma DeSouza in her campaign and our Westminster and Leinster House teams will continue to campaign for urgent change.

The Irish Government must fulfil its duty and defend these rights on behalf of Irish citizens on this island.

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USING OUR **INFLUENCE**

"They've (Sinn Féin) been playing a strong political role which they haven't done historically, that I hadn't foreseen."

- David Davis MP

"Sinn Féin's voice has been heard loud and clear in the European Parliament Brexit steering group, when it comes to issues of Northern Ireland and the border."

- John Campbell BBC Economics and Business Editor

"The Good Friday Agreement expressly provides for an agreed mechanism whereby a united Ireland may be brought ... and in accordance with international law, the entire territory of such a united Ireland would thus be part of the European Union."

- European Council

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ÁR DTIONCHAR A ÚSÁID

"Bhí siad (Sinn Féin) ag imirt ról láidir polaitiúil, rud nach ndearna siad san am atá caite, rud nár thuar mé."

- David Davis, Teachta Parlaiminte

"Chualathas glór Shinn Féin go hard agus go soiléir i ngrúpa stiúrtha Pharlaimint na hEorpa ar Brexit, nuair a bhaineann sé le saincheisteanna a bhaineann le Tuaisceart Éireann agus leis an teorainn."

- John Campbell, Eagarthóir Eacnamaíochta agus Gnó BBC

"Tá foráil shoiléir i gComhaontú Aoine an Chéasta le haghaidh meicníocht chomhaontaithe inar féidir Éire Aontaithe a thabhairt i láthair... agus de réir dlí idirnáisiúnta, bheadh críocha iomlána a leithéid d'Éirinn Aontaithe mar sin mar chuid den Aontas Eorpach."

- An Chomhairle Eorpach

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Tá na daoine a éilíonn ionramháil speisialta do shaighdiúirí Briotanacha a dhúnmharaigh saoránaigh Éireannacha as ord.

Ní féidir aon phardún a bheith ann d'fhórsaí stáit na Breataine anois nó riamh.

Ba chóir do chách a bheith comhionann os comhair an dlí.

Tá teipthe ar rialtais Bhriotanacha arís agus arís eile éifeacht iomlán a thabhairt don fhoráil i gComhaontú Aoine an Chéasta a aithníonn an ceart dúchais atá ag daoine anseo a bheith Briotanach, Éireannach nó an dá rud.

Tacaíonn Sinn Féin go hiomlán le Emma DeSouza ina feachtas agus leanfaidh ár bhfoirne in Westminster agus i dTeach Laighean ar aghaidh ag feachtasaíocht ar son athrú práinneach.

Caithfidh Rialtas na hÉireann a ndualgas a chomhlíonadh na cearta seo a chosaint thar cionn shaoránaigh na hÉireann ar an oileán seo.

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AN PHOLAITÍOCHT A CHUR AR **OBAIR**

Baineann gach toghchán agus reifreann ar an oileán seo nasctha go dlúth maidir lena dtionchair; rialtas áitiúil, an Dáil, Westminster, an Tionól, Eoraip, Comhaontú Aoine an Chéasta agus Brexit.

Tá Sinn Féin fós go hiomlán tugtha agus tiomanta do Chomhaontú Aoine an Chéasta.

Tá an tiomantas do reifreann ar Éire aontaithe laistigh den Chomhaontú seo.

Ní féidir codanna áirithe de a phiocadh.

Áirítear leis seo Tionól a oibríonn do chách a chur ar ais ar bun.

Tá an bac polaitiúil reatha doghlactha.

Trí bliana tar éis do scannal na dreasachta um theas in-athnuaite an tionól a thabhairt anuas tá rialtas feidhmiúil agus fíor-roinnt na cumhachta tuillte ag daoine. Éilíonn siad ionracas i rialtas.

Thángthas ar chomhaontú i bhFeabhra 2018, ach ar an drochuair shiúil an Páirtí Aontachtach Daonlathach den pháirc.

Ní seasamh inbhuanaithe é seo.

Ní féidir soláthar ceart a sheachaint, Cearta Náisiúnta, Cearta Saoránachta agus Féiniúlacht Náisiúnta.

Ag tús na bliana, tar éis blianta d'fheachtasaíocht, beidh lánúineacha comhghnéis in ann an duine is grá leo a phósadh.

Tá deireadh leis an éagóir coirpigh a dhéanamh de mhná.

Tá comhairliúchán ar siúl anois a gcabhróidh Sinn Féin é a mhúnlú le rochtain a thabhairt do gach bean ar chúram sláinte comhbhách.

Tar éis blianta ag fanacht is féidir le híospartaigh na drochíde institiúidí san am atá caite solas éigin ina n-aistear ag lorg cúitimh a fheiceáil.

Ba chóir dúinn a bheith ag rith reachtaíochta do na rudaí seo sa Tionól ina bhfuilimid tofa.

Seasann Sinn Féin go daingean go gcruthóimid Feidhmeannas inchreidte.

Is i dtreo Tionól nua agus cineál nua polaitíochta atáimid ag obair.

Le bheith inchreidte, caithfidh sé beart a dhéanamh go dóthanach ar cheisteanna mar mhaoluithe leasa, pá san earnáil phoiblí leibhéil shábháilte soláthair foirne, polasaithe láidre eacnamaíocha a ardaíonn gach cuid den gheilleagar, gníomh le dul i ngleic leis an éigeandáil aeráide agus infheistíocht a bpobail tuaithe.

Le bheith inchreidte caithfear plé leis na ceisteanna go léir nach bhfuil réitithe fós, lena n-áirítear acht Gaeilge agus athchóiriú ar úsáid na n-achainí ar bhonn ábhar buartha.

Caithfear plé le hoidhreacht an ama atá caite a bheith san áireamh ann.

Tá an teip plé mar is ceart le saincheisteanna oidhreachta ag cur isteach ar athmhuintearas agus ag imirt drochthionchair ar ár bpróiseas síochána.

Bhí ar íospartaigh agus ar mharthanóirí fanacht i bhfad rófhada ar an bhfírinne agus ar an gcóir.

Caithfear Comhaontú Theach Chnoc an Anfa a bheith curtha i bhfeidhm ag rialtas na Breataine láithreach.

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Tugann Comhaontú Aoine an Chéasta an bealach le haghaidh aontacht na hÉireann bunaithe ar cheart an fhéinchinntiúcháin agus ar phrionsabal an toilithe. Is ag Rúnaí Stáit na Breataine atá an chumhacht tús a chur le reifreann agus leanfaidh Teachtaí Parlaiminte Shinn Féin ar aghaidh ag éileamh orthu na tosca ina nglaofadh siad an reifreann a leagan amach go glan soiléir. Is léir go bhfuil tacaíocht d'aontacht na hÉireann ag fás.

Fuair suirbhé BMG le déanaí sa Bhreatain do The Independent amach go raibh 73%, ag fágáil na ndaoine gan tuairim as an áireamh, i bhfách le ligean don tuaisceart cinneadh a dhéanamh cé acu fanacht sa Ríocht Aontaithe nó 'dul isteach sa Phoblacht'.

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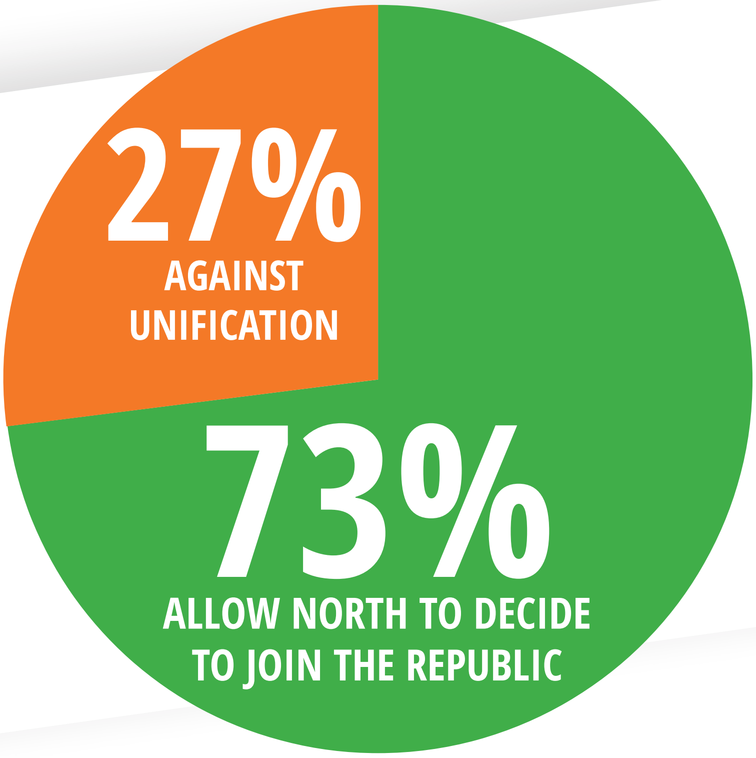

Leanfaidh Sinn Féin ar aghaidh ag brú rialtas na hÉireann le bheith ar thús cadhnaíochta sa phlé ar aontacht na hÉireann. Caithfear coiste Oireachtas ar aontacht a chur ar bun agus Páipéar Glas ar aontacht a fhoilsiú.

Is é aontacht na hÉireann an rogha mhalartach ar Brexit, nár thoiligh muintir an Tuaiscirt leis.

Sa deisceart bhí an bhunaíocht pholaitiúil ag cur in éadan tús a chur le pleanáil le haghaidh athaontú na hÉireann. Is é freagracht an rialtais pleanáil don todhchaí. Tá freagracht ar Rialtas na hÉireann a bheith ar thús cadhnaíochta sa phlé ar aontacht na hÉireann. Caithfidh siad fóram atá ionadaíoch go fíor a thionól le haontacht na hÉireann a phlé agus pleanáil di.

Is léir go bhfuil na toghthóirí go maith chun cinn ar na polaiteoirí. I bpobalbhreith díreach tar éis vótála thar ceann RTÉ/TG4 léirítear dúinn go dtacódh 77% de vótálaithe le hÉirinn Aontaithe, fiú dá mbeadh an vóta ann amárach.

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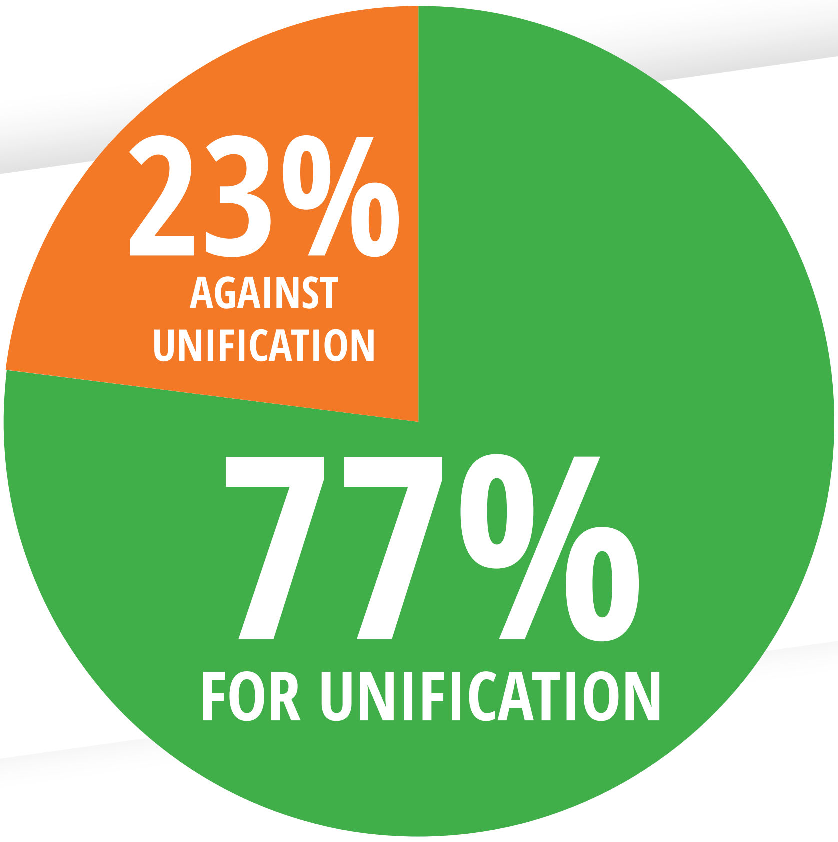

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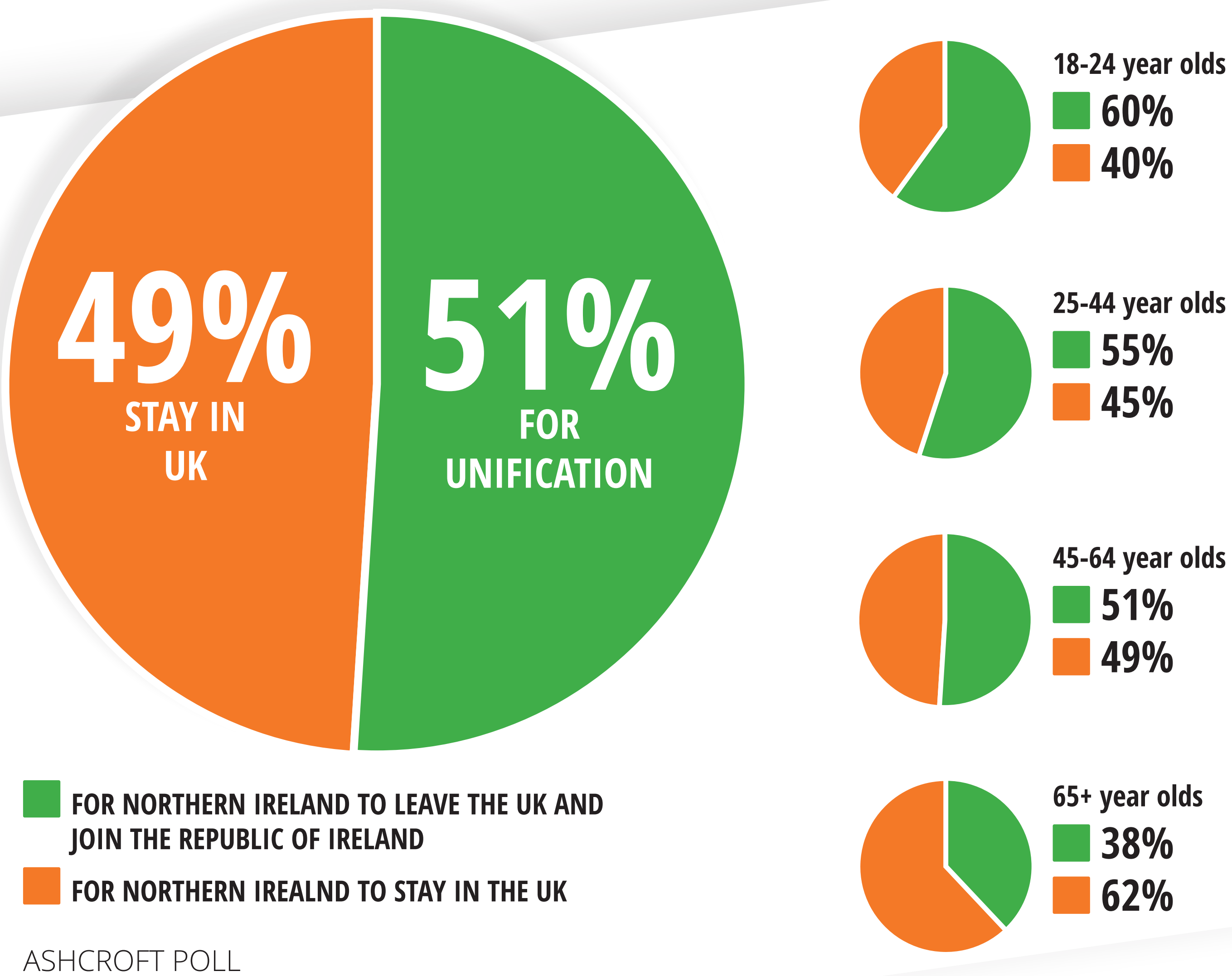
AG BREATHNÚ CHUN CINN

Tá an díospóireacht ar aontacht na hÉireann bogtha go lár an aonaigh. Is dinimic é Brexit atá tar éis díospóireacht phoiblí a spreagadh maidir le haontacht na hÉireann, atá tar éis a lán daoine, ó réimse cúlraí, aontachtaithe san áireamh, machnamh a dhéanamh ar cén áit a bhfuil a leas amach anseo. Cé nach féidir talamh slán a dhéanamh d'aontacht na hÉireann – caithfimid obair a dhéanamh lena thabhairt i láthair – is é an fhírinne go bhfuil gné nua sa díospóireacht. Tá reifreann ar aontacht na hÉireann ag teacht. Ní ceist a thuilleadh é 'má bhíonn sé ann', ach 'nuair a bheidh sé ann'.

I bpobalbhreith le déanaí sa tuaisceart a rinneadh thar ceann an phiara de chuid na dTóraithe, an Tiarna Ashcroft, dúirt tromlach na ndaoine a thug tuairim dá mbeadh reifreann ar aontacht na hÉireann ann anois go vótálfadh siad ar son na haontachta.



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Ní gá toradh chaidreamh an Pháirtí Aontachtaigh Dhaonlathaigh leis na Tóraithe a aithris arís anseo. Ní gá amháin glór na dtoghthóirí a chloisteáil, ach caithfear éisteacht leis chomh maith.

D'oibríomar san áit a bhfuil éifeacht le do ghlór. Mar sin, d'oibríomar ar an taobh eile den tábla idirbheartaíochta lena chinntiú go dtuigeann na daoine siúd i mBaile Átha Cliath, sa Bhruiséil agus Washington a bheadh ag déanamh idirbheartaíochta thar ceann na hÉireann cumhacht Chomhaontú Aoine an Chéasta agus go dtiocfadh leis an chumhacht sin a chur i bhfeidhm ar an bpróiseas.

Ní hamháin go bhfuil ár gcur chuige i leith Westminster ceart i bprionsabal, ach is léir sa lá atá inniu ann go bhfuil sé ceart go praiticiúil agus go straitéiseach chomh maith. Chabhraíomar an díospóireacht a mhúnlú agus tionchar a imirt uirthi sna háiteanna ina bhfuil an chumhacht sa deireadh. Thiomáin Sinn Féin an t-éileamh ar shocruithe speisialta agus cosaint Chomhaontú Aoine an Chéasta.

I ndomhan atá á dhomhandú leis, tá ár dtoghthóirí feasach go leor lena thuiscint gurb é atá i gceist le hionadaíocht pholaitiúil ná glór láidir go leor a bheith acu le go gcluinfear é i ndorchlaí na cumhachta ar fud an domhain, ó Capitol Hill i Meiriceá, Sráid Downing i Londain, an Dáil i mBaile Átha Cliath agus sa Bhruiséil. Is iad Sinn Féin an t-aon pháirtí atá in ann an ionadaíocht ghníomhach, láidir sin a thabhairt.

Leanfaidh Sinn Féin ar aghaidh ag úsáid a dtionchair chun Aontacht na hÉireann a chur chun cinn mar réiteach na hÉireann ar Brexit Sasanach.

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TIONCHAR A ÚSÁID SAN ÁIT A BHFUIL SÉ TÁBHACHTACH

Tá Sinn Féin i gcoinne Brexit ón tús. Rinne muid feachtasaíocht ar fud an Tuaiscirt ar son Fanacht.

Tar éis an reifrinn d'aithin muid gurb iad an Eoraip, Baile Átha Cliath agus Washington na príomhphointí teagmhála ag cur i gcoinne phróiseas Brexit. Ar dtús bhí an fócas san Eoraip ar Albain. Labhair an taoiseach a bhí ann ag an am, Enda Kenny, faoi Albain nuair a chuaigh sé chun na Bruiséile den chéad uair agus níor luaigh sé Tuaisceart na hÉireann. Sa chomhthéacs sin lainseálamar feachtas polaitiúil ag aibhsiú an cháis do Stádas Speisialta don Tuaisceart.

Thógamar comhairle dlí agus chuireamar seasaimh dlí i láthair a chruthaigh nach é amháin gurbh fhéidir Stádas Speisialta a bhaint amach ach go raibh sé go hiomlán riachtanach le leas na hÉireann a chosaint. Bheadh cosaint Chomhaontú Aoine an Chéasta ríthábhachtach le dúshlán a thabhairt ar straitéis an Pháirtí Aontachtaigh Dhaonlathaigh agus na dTóraithe

Bhunaíomar naisc dhíreacha lena lán príomhpháirtithe. D'fhoilsíomar agus scaipeamar na mílte paimfléad timpeall na hEorpa agus na hÉireann, ag aibhsiú na bpríomhphointí imní, agus conas is féidir tabhairt fúthu. Sa Bhruiséil bhí ár nglór á chloisteáil agus ár n-anailís á lorg ag a lán daoine.

I mBaile Átha Cliath bhíomar ar thús cadhnaíochta agus bhaineamar an díospóireacht ar Stádas Speisialta. Thar am bhog na páirtithe polaitiúla go léir sa Dáil go dtí ar seasamh-ainne. Is mór an tionchar a bhí ag ár smaointe ar chur chuige Rialtas na hÉireann ar Brexit agus choinnigh brú polaitiúil agus pobail seo ag dul. Bhí ár gcur chuige le bheith cuiditheach i gcónaí.

D'oibríomar go dlúth le Pobail na Teorann i gcoinne Brexit. Thug a bpróifíl phoiblí agus poiblíocht an spás dóibh le tionchar a imirt. D'éirigh le Sinn Féin Pobail na Teorann i gcoinne Brexit a ainmniú le haghaidh gradam sibhialta sa Bhruiséil. Mhéadaigh seo glór fríth-Brexit an phobail sa bhaile in Éirinn agus sa Bhruiséil.

In Westminster bhuaileamar go rialta le gach páirtí polaitiúil leis an ngá le Comhaontú Aoine an Chéasta a chosaint in aon mhargadh Brexit. Bhíomar i dteagmháil go díreach le rialtas na Breataine. Leanaimid ar aghaidh á dhéanamh seo.

Ach d'aithníomar nach raibh rannpháirtíocht i gcóras polaitiúil Westminster ag dul a thabhairt na dtorthaí/an tionchair a bhí uainn. Tá an cluiche uimhreacha ansin rigeáilte. Is daoine beag le rá Albain agus tuaisceart na hÉireann i gcluiche uimhreacha Westminster. Léiríonn taithí Pháirtí Náisiúnta na hAlban/an Pháirtí Aontachtach Daonlathach sin go foirfe.

Mar shampla, in ainneoin naoi dTeachta Parlaiminte agus caoga ó Albain ag glacadh lena suíocháin in Westminster, déantar neamhaird ar a nglór. Tá margadh déanta ag rialtas na Breataine faoi dhó le 27 an AE faoi dhó a rinne neamhaird ar leas na hAlban.

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BREXIT:

Níl aon Brexit maith ann. Is iad rialtas na dTóraithe agus parlaimint Westminster a chruthaigh Brexit. Tá rialtas na dTóraithe agus parlaimint Westminster tiomanta do Brexit. Níl aon réiteach Briotanach ó Westminster ar Brexit.

Ní bhfaighfear réiteach na hÉireann ar Brexit ach i mBaile Átha Cliath agus san Eoraip. Sin na háiteanna ar dhírigh Sinn Féin ár n-iarrachtaí Éire, geilleagar na hÉireann agus leas gach saoránach a chosaint ó thubaiste Brexit agus ó chíor thuathail Westminster.

TÁ BEART DÉANTA DE RÉIR A MBRIATHAIR AG SINN FÉIN:

- **STÁDAS SPEISIALTA DON TUAISCEART;**
- **GAN CRUACHAN AR BITH AR THEORAINN NA MBRIOTANACH IN ÉIRINN;**
- **COSAINT DO CHOMHAONTÚ AOINE AN CHÉASTA;**
- **GAN CROSADH AONTACHTACH AR BITH; AGUS**
- **ATHIONTRÁIL UATHOIBRÍOCH SAN EORAIP TRÍ AONTACHT NA HÉIREANN.**

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AN T-ATHRÚ A THABHAIRT I LÁTHAIR

Baineann an toghchán le do thodhchaí. In 2016 vótáil tromlach trasphobail sa tuaisceart fanacht taobh istigh den Aontas Eorpach; vótáil siad do leas, poist agus slite beatha daoine, agus do chearta agus teidlíochtaí atá agat mar shaoránaigh Éireannacha agus AE a chosaint.

Ó shin tá neamhaird déanta ag na Tóraithe agus an Páirtí Aontachtach Daonlathach.

Is é an guth ceannasach a bhí i bpáirtí na dTóraithe ná an náisiúntacht Shasanach ar an eite dheas. Tá neamhaird déanta acu ar ghlórtha saoránach in Albain agus i dtuaisceart na hÉireann ar son fanacht. Ach ní baol don chluiche a bheith thart. Arís, baineann do vóta d'iarrthóirí ar son fanacht sa toghchán seo le teachtaireacht a thabhairt faoi cé acu aontas is mian leat a bheith ann; Éire san Eoraip nó sa Bhreatain.

Le trí bliana anuas tá mian na dTóraithe agus an Pháirtí Aontachtaigh Dhaonlathaigh Brexit a bheith ann is cuma faoin chostas i ndiaidh sinn a thabhairt ar imeall greadadh amach as an AE gan mhargadh agus teorainn chrua a thabhairt isteach arís ar ár n-oileán. Níl an bhagairt seo imithe.

Ach tá réiteach ann a ligean dúinn a chinntiú nach mbeidh teorainn chrua againn, leis na hiarmhairtí airgeadais agus airgeadais go léir a eascraíodh uaidh sin. Réiteach a thugann saoirse dúinn ár gcinniúint féin a mhúnlú, saor ó dheachtráitis na náisiúntachta Sasanaigh ar an eite dheas. Tá an réiteach sin i gComhaontú Aoine an Chéasta, Éire nua, faoi chomhaontú agus aontaithe, sochaí chuimsitheach.

Tá argóintí iomrallach nach é seo an t-am le haghaidh cleachtas daonlathach mar seo dall ar an fhíric go bhfuil an plé faoinár dtodhchaí beo agus ag fás. Níl cuid daoine ar an oileán seo, atá sásta leis an status quo, ag iarraidh aghaidh a thabhairt ar fhéidearthacht an athraithe; go háirithe nuair atá sé follasach go bhfuil sé ag tuar athailíniú na polaitíochta ar oileán na hÉireann. Ach ní féidir glórtha agus mianta gnáthshaoránach a chosc.

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TEACHTAIREACHT Ó UACHTARÁN SHINN FÉIN

MARY LOU McDONALD TD

In 2017 toghadh seacht dTeachta Parlaiminte de chuid Shinn Féin le seasamh ar son leas mhuintir na hÉireann agus in éadan thubaiste Brexit atá á brú orainn ag comhghuaillíocht nimhiúil idir an Páirtí Aontachtach Daonlathach agus na Tóraithe.

Chloígh ár dTeachtaí Parlaiminte lena ngealltanais do na toghthóirí agus sheas siad go daingean in éadan an chláir oibre seo. Sheas siad go daingean ar son leas saoránach ar fud an oileáin.

Chuidigh siad stádas uathúil a bhaint amach do thuaisceart na hÉireann sa Chomhaontú Aistarraingthe, ag cur bac ar chruachan na teorann, ag cur stad le crosadh aontachtaithe agus ag cosaint Chomhaontú Aoine an Chéasta.

D'úsáid Feisirí Parlaiminte Shinn Féin, ag obair le foireann uile-Éireann Shinn Féin i mBaile Átha Cliath, i Londain agus sa Bhruiséil, d'úsáid siad a neart agus a dtionchar san áit a bhfuil éifeacht leis agus rinne muid beart de réir ár mbriathair.

Sheas Sinn Féin suas ar son na gceart, ar son an gheilleagair agus ar son na tíre.

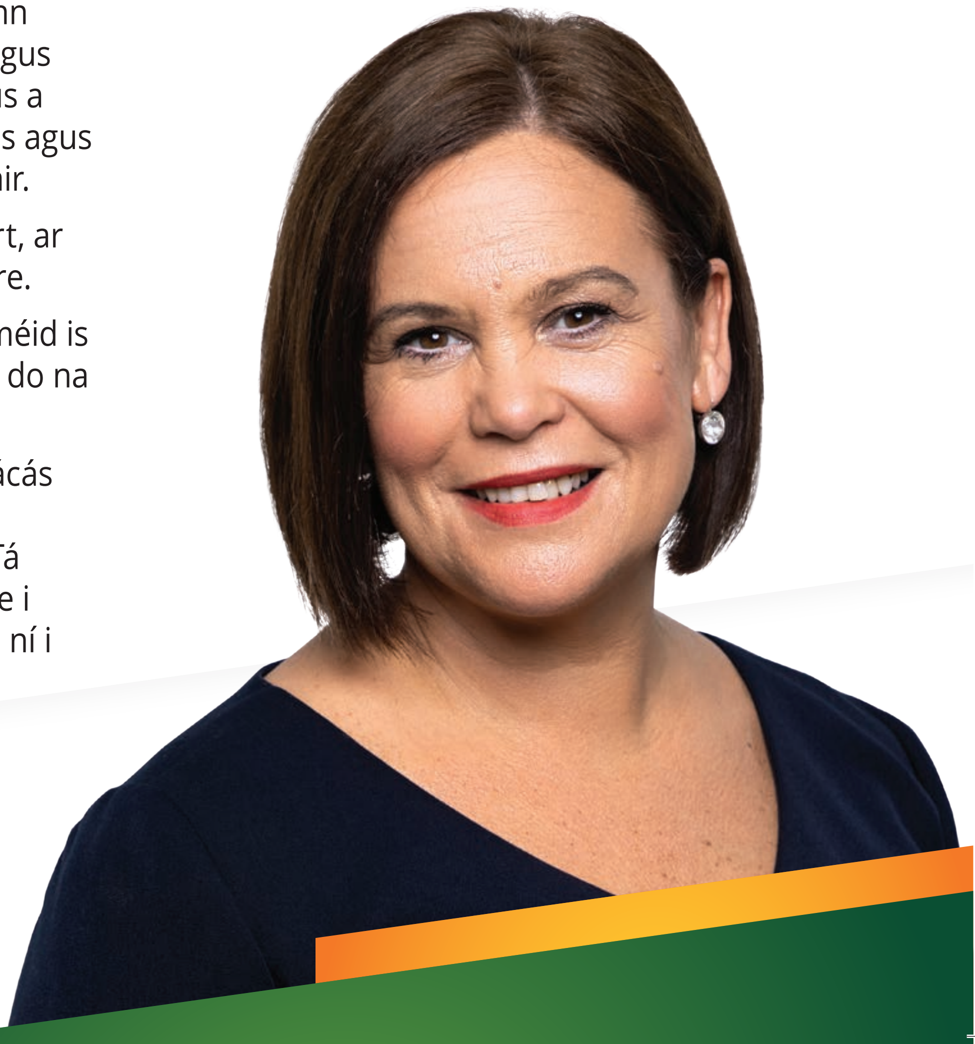
Léirigh ár dTeachtaí Parlaiminte an méid is féidir a dhéanamh trína ngealltanais do na toghthóirí a chur i gcrích.

Tóraithe Sasanacha a chruthaigh prácás Brexit. Is é freagairt Westminster air seo cíor thuathail agus mífheidhm. Tá ainmheasarthachtaí Brexit maolaithe i mBaile Átha Cliath agus sa Bhruiséil, ní i sorcas pholaitíocht Westminster.

Anois tá deis againn teachtaireacht láidir a chur chuig rialtas na dTóraithe go ndiúltaímid don Brexit seo acu. Is é an freagra deiridh ar Brexit an vótáil ar aontú a leagtar amach i gComhaontú Aoine an Chéasta atá in ann athiontráil uathoibríoch ar ais isteach san Aontas Eorpach.

Beirimis ar an deis seo, beirimis ar an áiméar agus an fhoireann is láidre Teachtaí Parlaiminte a thoghadh sa toghchán seo.

Tá sé in am don aontacht.



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