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## **Gina Miller's New Anti-Corruption Party Targets Mid Bedfordshire at the Next General Election**

- **Charity and pension plan trustee, Alan Victor selected to take on Nadine Dorries**
- **Alan Victor calls for local development to meet local needs, not just overspill housing for London**
- **The True & Fair Party will stand up to 30 candidates in England and Wales, at the general election**
- **Miller vows candidate launch is "just the start of our mission to clean-up Britain's dirty politics"**

Nadine Dorries is one of 9 Conservative MPs who will face an electoral challenge from a rapidly growing new political party for "propping up an embarrassment of a government".

Set up by Gina Miller - who famously defeated the Government twice for unlawful attempts to override Parliament during the post-Brexit vote - the party highlights and campaigns against political corruption.

Introducing an initial slate of 9 parliamentary candidates this morning, Miller announced that Alan Victor, who previously worked as a junior Nissan executive, has been selected for Mid Bedfordshire. Alan Victor is particularly concerned by local development without enough focus on matching local service improvements and the failure of Nadine Dorries to engage with dissenting voters. He applied to become a True & Fair Party candidate because he had just had enough of the chaos in British politics and saw that it was time to focus on fixing our democracy.

The 9 candidates' backgrounds range from an assistant teacher to a former nightclub owner, a charity trustee to a former diplomat, an IT consultant to a community volunteer. A further 10-20 candidates will be announced early next year. The selection is taking place now because of the growing possibility that the Conservative Party's inability to govern will lead to an early general election.

The candidate slate was announced alongside True & Fair Party-commissioned research showing that some £5.6bn could be raised immediately by closing tax loopholes and expanding the remit of HMRC. That would be enough, for example, to pay the salaries of more than 170,000 new nurses.

Under the proposals, HMRC would be given greater resources to run more investigations into bigger firms, which raises £69 in extra tax revenue for every £1 invested. Such resource investment would also have helped prevent the £1.1bn of COVID small business loans identified as fraud.

**True & Fair Party leader Gina Miller said:**

**"What the political debacles of the past few years – and the Conservative humiliations of the past few weeks – have shown is that weak political systems, corruption, and incompetence only lead to chaos. The True & Fair Party is in its infancy, so we are focusing our resources on 20-30 seats held by those who have been propping up an embarrassment of a government.**

**"What we aim to do is show that politics is no longer about right and left, but right and wrong. Our candidates represent what is good about British society, they want the best for our country and are passionate about fairness. Working together, this is just the start of our mission to clean-up Britain's dirty politics."**

**Alan Victor is clear that the discipline, accountability and transparency that is essential in business is either absent or inconsistently applied in the way we govern our country, resulting in poor policy and undeliverable promises.**

**“The only way forward is to give voters the opportunity to elect representatives who will champion the changes necessary to ensure politicians really act in the interests of their constituents.”**

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#### **Notes to editors:**

White Paper – Closing Tax Loopholes

A copy of the tax research can be found [here](#).

#### **Alan Victor**

Alan Victor is the True & Fair Party candidate for Mid Bedfordshire. The 63 year old is a retired car company executive who decided to enter politics because he was fed up with the current state of UK politics and mainstream political parties hijacking our democracy, promising the world and failing to deliver.

As a trustee of a local charity, he sees that nurturing the youth of Mid Bedfordshire in children's centres, nurseries and community hubs is so important to the future well-being of the constituency and must be properly funded. He believes decisions are made in a political bubble and sold to the public as “what the people want” to convince us to accept half-baked empty promises which don't help in our daily lives.

Alan is clear that True & Fair's core principles of cleaning up politics, modernising democracy and fighting corruption are a long overdue necessity to get the right thinking and culture into Westminster and to enforce honesty and integrity in our elected representatives.

#### **True & Fair**

The True & Fair Party was launched by Gina Miller earlier in 2022 to tackle political corruption and institutional weaknesses, and campaign for the modernisation of UK democracy.

Policies include:

- **Political reform** - A legally binding 'oath of office' and Truth Law for MPs; compulsory parliamentary sitting for 40 weeks a year; removing hereditary peers from the House of Lords.

- **Electoral reform** – Introduction of proportional representation; introduction of automatic voter registration to improve representation; digital voting.
- **Anti-corruption** – Establishment of an Economic Crime Unit to tackle crime that costs the UK at least £290bn a year; a Transparency Law for overseas firms owning UK property; ban of paid lobbying by MPs.
- **Economy** - Bounce back loans to be written off for the three million SMEs excluded from support during the Covid pandemic; tenants to no longer pay business rates; National Insurance rolled into income tax to help lower earners.

**The first 9 candidates announced on 24 October will be standing in the following seats at the next general election:**

- Beckenham
- Derbyshire Dales
- Devizes
- Epsom and Ewell
- Mid Bedfordshire
- Monmouth
- Tatton
- Witney
- York Outer

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