

# May might be as mad as the rest of her cabinet

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Simon Jenkins is a most irritating columnist, sometimes close to repugnant, and other times so sensible. And he writes well. [Yesterday he was talking sense on Brexit](#):

*As the forces of soft Brexit prepare for the end game, mad Brexit is what cabinet Brexiteers are seeking to sanitise, at a staggering cost of a reported £3bn in administration alone. Raab is implying that all will be well with no deal, so long as private businesses tool up to carry the bureaucratic burden. Like Rees-Mogg, he believes they should bear the short-term cost as it is supposedly to the nation's long-term advantage. It's a dystopian, Blade Runner Brexit.*

*There was a case for Brexit to traumatisise the politics of a hesitant and ill-led European community. There was no case to destroy the vitality of a common market that had served Britain well for decades. There is no other Brexit but soft. May must seize control of her party and lead it in that direction.*

But just because it makes sense does not mean it will happen.

I happen to now think May is the best Tory prime minister we could have at present. That does not say a lot. And it does not mean that I think she will take control and force her party in the right direction. In fact, I have no such confidence at all. She may be as mad as the rest of them.