

Brexit is a disaster with just two remaining friends. T...

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I have [already mentioned](#) this morning a number of issues that I have been involved in where it turned out that what I was arguing long before the case was proven turned out to be right. I think it is safe to add another topic to that list since I did not mention it there. That is Brexit.

in 2016 it was not certain that Brexit would fail. But, alongside others of sound mind and reason, it appeared glaringly obvious to me that it would. So, I said so, and then stuck to that idea.

I now note that in just the last few days further admissions of failure on this issue have come from our government.

What we have now learned is that the [European CE safety mark is to remain in use](#) in the UK. The idea that we might create an alternative has been dropped as expensive, divisive and irrelevant as any product that was to be exported to Europe would still need a CE mark.

Today we also learn that import [controls on food from the EU](#), due to be introduced in October, are to be delayed again because the cost that they would impose would impact on inflation. So, firstly, they don't work. And secondly, they are inefficient because they impose costs, like just about everything else to do with Brexit.

With respect to all those who thought Brexit was a good idea, "we told you it wasn't" seems to be the right response. It is, in fact, an outright disaster that has just two remaining enthusiastic supporters. Unfortunately, they are Keir Starmer and the Conservative Party.