

6 WAYS THE EU HELPS THE SOUTH EAST

The European Union:

1. Creates jobs and growth

Experts suggest that 1 in 10 British jobs depend on our membership of the EU. Here in the South East, where more businesses sell to Europe, it's even higher.

2. Keeps us safe

Workers and consumers in the South East benefit from safety standards, limits on working hours and protections for women, disabled people and people in same-sex relationships. There is no guarantee these rights would remain if we left the EU.

3. Invests in the South East

The South East's 19 universities received £100 million in EU funding in 2013-14 alone. EU funds also helped pay for better roads and railways and improvements to homes.

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4. Maintains peace and security

War with our European neighbours is now unthinkable. And thanks to the EU, our police have been able to bring to justice hundreds of dangerous criminals through cross-border arrest warrants.

5. Keeps the South East tourist industry open for business

Our language schools, hotels, B&Bs, airports and ports all benefit from the UK being in the EU. British tourists benefit too, with free health insurance and lower mobile phone charges.

6. Improves our environment

We can't stop pollution or climate change by acting alone but only by working with other countries. EU rules have made beaches, rivers and air in the South East cleaner.



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