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Thank you for your letter. Unfortunately, it is based upon two false statements.

Firstly, you assert that the Bromley and Chislehurst constituency "voted for Brexit" - I quote your words directly. As it happens, on Monday, Bromley Council published the breakdown of votes by each ward in the Borough. Here is a link to the whole table on the BBC website:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-politics-38762034>

I also attach the figures for the six wards that make up the constituency. This shows a constituency total of 25,213 for remain and 25,041 for leave. I would think that could fairly be described as a virtual dead heat, but a "vote for Brexit" it demonstrably is not.

Secondly, you assert that I "would like another referendum to reverse the decision". You quote no evidence to support this, for the very good reason that there is none. Indeed, the facts show precisely the reverse:

I was re-elected in 2015 on the basis of the Conservative Party's national manifesto, namely that we would give the British people a choice in an in/out referendum "and respect the result". That is precisely what I did when I voted for the second reading of the European Union (Notification of Withdrawal) Bill last week and for the third reading of the Bill last night. That is also precisely what I said in my speech during the second reading debate, which is readily available in Hansard. I also voted last night against a Liberal Democrat amendment which sought a second referendum. Your assertions are therefore totally contradicted by the public record.

My support for New Clause 110 involves no delay or undermining of the referendum decision whatsoever. It was intended to give our democratically elected Parliament the best possible say on what our new relationship with the EU will be like once we have left. Given that one of the strongest arguments made for leaving was the desire to return sovereignty to our Parliament, it is an entirely logical stance and I stand by it. The European Parliament will have a say on any final deal and our Parliament should have a meaningful one too.

Doubtless there are plenty of issues for political debate between us. It would help if you can manage to get your facts right to start with.

Bob Neill MP

Bromley & Chislehurst EU Referendum vote split

Ward	Counting Area	Remain	Leave	Remain %	Leave %
Bickley	Bromley	4801	3812	55.74	44.26
Bromley Town	Bromley	5247	3903	57.34	42.66
Chislehurst	Bromley	5329	4746	52.89	47.11
Cray Valley West	Bromley	2943	5396	35.29	64.71
Mottingham & Chislehurst North	Bromley	2324	3286	41.43	58.57
Plaistow and Sundridge	Bromley	4569	3898	53.96	46.04
Total		25,213	25,041		