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For this reason, from very early on, the occupying regime has made a concerted and organised effort to loot and plunder archaeological sites, museums and libraries. Over five hundred churches have been looted and vandalised and put to all sorts of inappropriate uses. 15-20,000 icons, sacred vessels, vestments, manuscripts and scores of wall paintings were stolen, as well as mosaics which were broken up and sold abroad.



**Destroyed Church**

The question has to be asked in the EU parliament; if Turkey a predominantly Muslim country, wishes to become part of the European Union, will they remove their borders and withdraw their occupying forces and allow the Cypriot people to return home? The situation has been ignored by governments across the world and in its rush for ever greater power I believe Baroness Ashton and Messrs Barroso and Van Rumpoy will turn a blind eye once more. Only by being a member of the EAF, attending conferences and speaking to other groups in the EU, do we truly see how divisive the European Union truly is.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.....**

**Unless there is an emergency, the next regular meeting of the Region at The Darrington, will be on 24th January, which will be preceded by the AGM. Notices will be sent out later, with details on how to stand for office. Contact: [regionalsecretary@talktalk.net](mailto:regionalsecretary@talktalk.net)**

**There will not be a newsletter in January, you will receive your next copy in February. Don't forget if you would prefer to receive your newsletter by email please contact [emmabrader@aol.com](mailto:emmabrader@aol.com) to let her know**

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**Police & Crime Commissioner Elections** By Mike Hookem

We entered the first national election since 2010 with opinion polls showing UKIP ahead of the Liberal Democrats on 11%. What a month for UKIP! Not only did UKIP manage the best by-election result since Barnsley (with 14%), at the Humberside P&CC elections, UKIP turned in a stonking 16%!

Prescott, the Hull Daily Mail blanked everyone else and The Sun came out for the Tory. Sadly we could not sustain top place through the day and with East Yorkshire polling 25%, the Tory heartland and recent operational area for Chief Superintendent Davison, the die was cast. Traditionally strong areas polled as low as 10%.



**From left to right: Ron Shepherd cllr,  
Stephen Harness, Henry Hudson, Tim Veal,  
John Stockton.**

There was also a mood across the country for independents, especially with police experience. We had the estimable ex-Deputy Chief Constable Mike Speakman to cover this aspect. It is not unreasonable to suppose that UKIP would have had an outright win had the Chief Superintendent not stood.

What can we take from this? We got more second preference votes than all the other candidates put together. So UKIP received 16% despite an array of awkward disadvantages. At the Euros in 2014, we will be fighting on our ground with no wild card candidates... well hopefully.

This area was unbelievably complex with seven candidates including a Deputy Prime Minister and the wild card, recently retired, popular Chief Superintendent. We managed to send a personal letter and pamphlet to every postal voter in the area. This paid massive dividends. On the eve of the poll UKIP were joint top. So frightened were the establishment, The Times ran a big piece supporting Lord

I make this a 26% result if we can get those letters through those letter boxes. Well done to the Sheffield team who came in right on the button with 11% in another notoriously difficult area.

**A Big Thank You!** By Emma Lund

I would like to use this newsletter as an opportunity to thank everyone who was involved with Godfrey's Police & Crime Commissioner election whether it was in a big or a small way. Thank you very much to everyone who donated to the campaign and enabled us to produce masses of leaflets, brochures, newspaper adverts, billboard adverts and personalised letters to postal voters.

tended the "pop-up" tent in various towns and market places and to those who attended the postal vote openings and count. I hope it was an enjoyable experience for you all. Particular thanks must go to Ken Hordon who never failed to gather together leafletters and motivated many members to help. Also, for meticulously attending the opening of the postal votes in Hull and reporting in each day on how proceedings were going.

Thank you also to the troops on the ground who tirelessly delivered leaflets,

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## Election Campaigns

By Mike Kendall

After possibly one of the most successful months for UKIP since 2009, Corby by-election 14%, 3 P&CC areas 16%+, not to mention beating the Liberal Democrats everywhere confirming our status as the 3rd party of British politics, a word of caution. I mention the word money. This is guaranteed to get complete avoidance of eye contact at Regional meetings. Campaigns cost money, lots of it, leaflets, election addresses, mail shots, bill boards, these are the things of which elections are made. Since 2004 we have relied on a few big donors nationally and locally, basically Godfrey and his mates.

We have some great new blokes on the block, Amjad Bashir and Mujeeb Bhutto in particular, I would name more but many of Godfrey's chums are still members of the Tory party and want to remain anonymous. The EAF have been a boon in the last year and will again be next year but we have to do more. 2014 is frighteningly close. £60,000 is the minimum requirement to get the 2 seats we expect.

Last year Mike Hookem wrote to all members having set up an account to ring fence money for the 2014 Euro-elections. We worked out that if every member donated £10 per year we would have circa £32k in the pot ready to use. To date we are not on target but it is worth mentioning this again – we currently have over 800 members in Yorkshire and North Lincolnshire and membership is growing.

If you wish to deposit funds into this account the coordinates are as follows:

HSBC Bank, UKIP Haltemprice & Howden Constituency Association Election Fund,  
Sort Code: 40-25-07,  
Account Number: 71295691.

Thinking caps on please!

### Letters

*A big thank you to all my friends and supporters for their amazing help in the recent P&CC Election, many of whom are not even UKIP members. The UKIP vote at 16% and Independent at 20% made sure Prescott was not elected, which was the primary concern of many donors. We would have won if it was just a postal vote but in the end massive Tory/Labour boots on the ground were too much plus a strong independent who sucked up thousands of votes which would have come our way. I hate to 'single out' after so many have done so much but a big thank you to Mike Kendall, Amjad Bashir and especially London Branch who went well beyond the call of duty for us.*

**Godfrey Bloom**

*Before we get too disappointed at Godfrey not winning the seat, may I remind everyone he would have had to resign as an MEP. The 2014 election without him? I don't think so!*

**Laure Ferrari**

*As a UKIP member for at least 8+ years I am finding that more and more people forget that there are still many people who have not got the internet. Use of mobile phone numbers is also increasing but as someone on a low income I pay for a land-line and a little extra which makes normal calls free. It costs 19p per minute to call a mobile or 32 p per minute for the first 3 minutes on my mobile which I only use rarely. The election of Police Commissioners has proved that we are becoming disenfranchised.*

*PLEASE could you use landlines as much as possible. Letters are 50p each at the cheapest too.*

**Mrs S  
Horsforth**

*Editor's Note – We completely concur Mrs S and sympathise with your point of view, hence this newsletter is delivered by post unless members request otherwise. UKIP will never make members rely purely on the internet.*

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By Mike Hookem



Due to Godfrey Bloom's busy schedule Jane Collins and I had the privilege to be asked to address the EAF Conference held at Aya Napa, Cyprus. The conference was attended by EAF members from across the EU and the overriding message I took away with me, is that whatever concerns or problems we are experiencing here in the UK is multiplied across Europe.

Whether it is open borders creating problems of mass migration to the financial mess of the euro, the people of Europe are suffering. And, it was pleasing to know that we in UKIP are not alone in the fight to bring the EU cabal to an end.

On our second day, we as a group, were taken by coach to visit the Cultural Centre of the Archbishop Makarios III Foundation in Nicosia. The Byzantine Museum was opened in 1982 and is the home to the richest and most representative collection of Byzantine art works originating from every part of Cyprus.

It presents more than three hundred icons, dating between 9th and the 20th century, frescoes detached from church walls from the 10th to the 18th century as well as minor art of Cyprus such as holy relics, holy vessels and sacerdotal vestments, a truly inspirational collection.

From there we were taken by several cars across the UN buffer zone and through the Turkish border into northern Cyprus. In 1974 Turkey invaded Cyprus and occupied 37% of its territory, while forcing 200,000 Cypriots to leave their ancestral homes. The policy of Turkey and the occupying regime is to alter the demography of the area by mass establishment of settlers from Anatolia and the replacement of the ancient place names with Turkish ones and generally to eradicate all elements suggestive of the Greek cultural identity of the island.  
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### STOP PRESS

*At the time of going to press I have only just been made aware of the disgraceful decision by Rotherham Council to remove 3 children from the foster care of two of our UKIP members. I am disgusted by this and on the case!*

Godfrey Bloom

### Merry Christmas

To all our members

*I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thank you for all your support during the past year and I hope we can count on your continued support in the future. We have a couple of big years ahead of us with local elections affecting some of our region in May 2013 and then the European elections in 2014 where we hope to take more seats than any other party! We need to make our presence felt in the local elections as a platform for our European election campaign, so there is a lot of work to come, but with it a lot of fun as well!*

With very best wishes

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