

[Universal Credit will drive up homelessness as people struggle to rent homes](#)

The Conservative's roll out of Universal Credit risks driving up homelessness.

That's what I will warn in a debate in Westminster Hall this morning.

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[Vince Cable statement on Single Market Summit](#)

Commenting, Liberal Democrat leader Vince Cable said:

"This is a good, positive step to parliamentary co-ordination between opposition parties against the Conservative Brexit. There are four parties here who are putting their political differences to one side for the good of the country.

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[Labour leadership's Brexit fudge has "run out of time"](#)

On Monday, Parliament will return from recess and debate the Taxation (Cross-Border trade) Bill. This sets the ground to pull the UK out of the existing Customs Union.

Labour's leadership has published a typically vague amendment against taking the Bill to a second reading and does not tackle the Conservatives' pursuit

of a hard Brexit.

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19% rise in EU academics resigning from UK universities since Brexit

Almost 2,350 academics from the EU have resigned from UK universities in the past year, research by the Liberal Democrats has revealed. That's up 19% from 1,975 two years ago (i.e. before the Brexit vote), and up 10% from 1,938 last year.

There are over 25,400 academics at UK universities from elsewhere in the EU. Of these 6,633 are employed by departments working on 'STEM' subjects such as engineering, maths and computing, where the UK faces serious skills shortages.

Another 4,922 work on health sciences, nursing or medicine, and 1,307 on business.

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Norman Lamb responds to calls for a Royal Commission on the NHS

Today, Lord Saatchi backed called for a Royal Commission on the NHS. His call is very welcome.

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