

# Walk outs from Parliament over the EU

The SNP walk out today over an EU debate reminded some MPs of the previous walk out by Nick Clegg for the Liberal Democrats in February 2008. Then Speaker Martin refused to allow debate on one of their amendments which wanted an In/Out referendum on the EU. As Nick Clegg said "It is time to give the British people a real referendum on Britain's membership of the European Union" . That idea did not go too well for him or his party. I still treasure the yellow leaflet they sent out telling me it was vital the "British people have a say in a real referendum".