

Donations

Identifiable donations from Putin cronies to the Conservative Party are over £1.8 million since 2010. Preliminary investigations reveals that UK based Russians have donated £3 million to the Conservatives since 2010.

This does not include donations and spending through dark money in British politics.

Banker Lubov Chernukin, a UK citizen, has donated over £600,000 to the Conservative Party since 2010. Her husband Vladimir Chernukin was Putin's deputy finance minister. There is no suggestion that Lubov speaks to her husband. For example Lubov's donated £160,000 to them for a tennis match between former PM David Cameron and Boris Johnston.

Lord Hague and Lord Barker receive considerable remuneration from firms linked to the Russian kleptocracy.

Despite lawsuits, the net around the millionaire Arron Banks, who has a financial interest in South African diamond mines, is tightening. Banks, married to a Russian, supported the Brexit Leave.EU campaign.

Sergei Romashov, managing partner of Rise Capital is a close ally of Vladimir Putin.

Alexander Knaster is chief executive of Russia's Alfa bank and was appointed by Mikhail Fridman who is very close to Putin and the Kremlin. Knaster has donated £405,000 to the Conservatives since 2012. He also donated £50,000 to the Conservative *No to AV* Campaign.

Lev Mikheev is a Russian financier with an office next door to the Kremlin. He has donated £197,000 to the Conservatives since 2010.

New Century Media (NCM) is a British lobbying firm with a history of Russian connections. NCM have donated £123,850 to the Conservatives since 2010.

Leonard Blavatnik has seen criticism from Oxford academics who accused the University of selling its reputation and prestige to Putin's associates. Blavatnik Access Industries has donated £94,450 to the Conservative Party since 2010.

The Bruges Group, founded by Margaret Thatcher, and the Bow Group have connections with Putin's Russia. They are both allowed to participate in UK elections. They have both published documents written by Russian diplomats and writers. The Bruges Group has spent £89,426 in UK elections.