

Compare and contrast: Egg v Milkshake. Mainstream politicians and an Independent candidate.

Picture the scene gentle reader.

Jeremy Corbyn, leader of the Labour party, friend of the IRA, Hamas, Maduro and Chavez of Venezuela, a man who never met a terrorist he didn't like, is with his former lover, the shadow Home Secretary Diane Abbott, leaving the Finsbury Park mosque in his constituency.



John Murphy, a north London man, enraged by Corbyn's failure to properly support the result of the referendum to leave the EU expresses his dismay by shouting "When you vote, you get what you vote for," at which he breaks an egg over Corbyn's head. Murphy was arrested, appeared at Westminster Magistrates Court last month and was sentenced to 28 days imprisonment.

[charged with harassment, he has pleaded not guilty](#) and his trial will be in July.

Picture further scenes.

It's the north west of England. Manchester, Warrington, Wythenshawe, that bit of old Cheshire and Lancashire that constitutes the North West England European Parliament constituency The area where Tommy Robinson aka Tommy-Robinson-whose-real-name-is-Stephen-Yaxley-Lennon is standing for election later this month. Obviously he is going around and about, campaigning, meeting supporters, engaging with constituents.

Bury – Wednesday 1st May. As reported by [Manchester Evening News](#) and the [Assed Baig of Channel 4](#) and his twitter followers seem quite pleased. As I don't speak his language I cannot be certain that the event which has so delighted [Billy Bragg](#) (ex of Barking) and others

McDonalds report a huge rise in sales of milkshakes to people who a) hope to bump into Tommy Robinson or b) believe holding a milkshake will ensure he doesn't approach them

Then Tommy met these potential voters – delightful young men. I can't work out how to embed this video clip from my source yet. As and when I do I'll update this post. But you can see the subtitles and the gesture. They don't like 'white men' but they have adopted our two finger salute which goes back to the days of the English and Welsh archers of the Middle Ages.



While I have been preparing this Tommy has just released a video of what he has seen and heard these last few days while campaigning. I'll watch it now and may well link it later.

But the dangers and lack of protection for the democratic process is a stark contrast.

This is that video prepared by the campaign team about the reception their candidate has received so far. The violent assaults, not just to TR but bystanders hoping to meet him, the aggressiveness of Danyal Mahmud towards the team on several occasions prior to the 'slippage' of the milkshake. Other assaults, all ignored by the police. And finally the genuinely welcome reception he received from the traditional inhabitants of these northern towns