



Reform is pretending its Makerfield candidate was Action Man

## Description

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ROBERT Kenyon of Reform UK

Reform UK's candidate in the Makerfield by-election is one Robert Kenyon. So far, Kenyon has attracted a great deal of criticism for [the things he's said in the past](#) and [the things he's saying right now](#). Kenyon isn't the only one talking nonsense, however, with his party joining in too:

He was a Lance Corporal in the Army Reserves. Stop trying to make it out as anything more than it is.

He's also a sexist and a perv. [pic.twitter.com/O2Urc8Q0J2](https://pic.twitter.com/O2Urc8Q0J2)

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## Reform gets territorial

As Reform Exposed notes above, Kenyon was a member of the Army Reserves - what we once called the Territorial Army. [This is how the actual Army describe the reserve force on their website](#)

The Army Reserve is the largest of the UK's Reserve Forces. It is a vital component of the Army, providing essential mass, unique capabilities, and a diversity of skills critical to meeting the Army's commitments.

Army Reservists volunteer to serve alongside regular soldiers with an annual training obligation of either 19 or 27 days.

So the Army Reserves is like the Scouts but for adults. So the Maná??s Brigade, essentially.

At the same time, itâ??s not all fun and games. We did deploy reservists in Iraq and Afghanistan. As the *BBC* reported, [this gave them the opportunity to](#)

fight â?? and die â?? alongside comrades from the regular Army

Not much of an opportunity if you ask us; especially when weâ??re talking about one clearly illegal war and another which we ultimately lost.

All things considered, then, an Army Reserve could find themselves in a position in which theyâ??re honourably â??servingâ?? their country. For that to happen, of course, the UK would have to involve itself in a war in which we werenâ??t:

1. The aggressors.
2. Acting at the behest of US oil conglomerates.

As most of us know, the wars of the 20th century have not â??servedâ?? Britain whatsoever. And even if you think our recent military history was anything other than a series of murderous mistakes, thereâ??s no evidence Kenyon served anyway.

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Hi Lee, how many tours of duty has he done? <https://t.co/LxCTaQoJt>

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Fine, where has Kenyon served

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## In his own words

In the Reform video at the top, Kenyon says:

I joined the Army Reserves in 2020 and I absolutely loved my time in the Army Reserves.

This seemingly confirms that he didnâ??t get deployed anywhere â?? that, or he just loves getting shot at. Kenyon continued:

I was in the Royal Engineers, I was a combat close support engineer. My grandad was in the Navy, he got sunk twice during the war

My grandad was also in the Royal Navy during World War II. Iâ??m not sure how many times he was sunk, and even if I did, I probably wouldnâ??t lead with that information out of respect.

Kenyon also said:

Imagine going away for four years for your country, that would have been horrendous conditions and imagine going in the Navy in the Second World War.

Much like Kenyon, we can also only imagine, because weâ??ve never actually been to war.

A final thing to note is that Brits have to fantasise about WWII because it was the last time we were clearly anything like â??the good guys.â??

If you really want to â??serveâ?? your country, do it by ensuring young lads donâ??t have to die for the benefit of ExxonMobil.

## Clean hands

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To be entirely fair, the fact that Kenyon didnâ??t say that Reform shouldnâ??t be a criticism. The issue is that Reform is pretending heâ??s something he isnâ??t because the party thinks it will appeal to voters.

Should you be the sort of voter in question, by the way, remember that Kenyon is also the guy who said this:

But the guy who boasted he wanted to smell and lick Carol Vorderman's a\*\*\*\*\*e passed with flying colours. <https://t.co/JGhTe28x7S>

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