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Semantic Summary

Minor far-right British political party (2017–2022) founded by Anne Marie Waters after her defeat in the UKIP leadership election, with Paul Weston as a key figure. Overtly Islamophobic and counter-jihad in ideology — describing itself as opposing "the spread of political Islam" — the party combined anti-Islam, anti-immigration, Eurosceptic and socially conservative positions. It never achieved electoral success (a highest vote share of 1.3% in a 2019 by-election), but its significance was as a home for activists who found UKIP insufficiently focused on anti-Islam politics, functioning as a bridge between UKIP and more explicitly far-right formations. Waters had launched Pegida UK alongside Tommy Robinson, and after For Britain dissolved in 2022 she returned to UKIP as justice spokeswoman — illustrating the revolving-door nature of the UK micro-party right-wing ecosystem.

Basic Information

- **Type:** Minor far-right political party (dissolved)
- **Status:** Dissolved (2022)
- **Founded:** 2017
- **Founder/Leader:** Anne Marie Waters
- **Other key figures:** Paul Weston
- **Dissolved:** 2022
- **Ideology:** Counter-jihad, anti-Islam, anti-immigration, Euroscepticism, socially conservative

Role in Ecosystem

For Britain was a far-right political party founded by Anne Marie Waters in 2017 after she was defeated in the UK Independence Party (UKIP) leadership election. The party was overtly Islamophobic, describing itself as opposing "the spread of political Islam" — a framing that functioned as a vehicle for anti-Muslim politics.

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After the party dissolved in 2022, Anne Marie Waters returned to UKIP as its justice spokeswoman — demonstrating the revolving-door nature of the UK micro-party right-wing ecosystem.

Known Associations

Person/Org	Relationship	Evidence
Anne Marie Waters	Founder and leader	Wikipedia
Paul Weston	Co-founder / associate	Wikipedia
Tommy Robinson	Collaborated on Pegida UK launch	Wikipedia
UKIP	Waters returned to UKIP after For Britain dissolved	Independent
Pegida UK	Waters launched the UK branch alongside Robinson	Wikipedia

Notes

- Founded 2017 by Anne Marie Waters after her UKIP leadership bid failed
- Far-right / counter-jihad ideology — explicitly anti-Islam
- Never won electoral representation
- Dissolved in 2022
- Founder returned to UKIP as justice spokeswoman
- Part of the UKIP-splinter micro-party ecosystem alongside Heritage Party, English Democrats, etc.

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