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Semantic Summary

Jeremy Hosking is a City asset manager (founder of Hosking Partners) who has donated £2-4 million to Reform UK and its Brexit Party predecessor, forming one-third of the trio (with Harborne and Tice) that has provided 70-75% of the party's income since 2019. A former Conservative donor who switched to Reform, Hosking represents the "ex-Tory money under a new flag" pattern that characterises approximately 80% of Reform's donor base. His funding extends beyond the party: he bankrolls climate-sceptic causes and groups opposing net zero policies, connecting Reform's donor structure to the broader network of free-market, climate-denial organisations sometimes referred to as "Tufton Street 2.0." His asset management background places him firmly in the City establishment despite funding an anti-establishment party — a contradiction critics highlight. As a hardline Eurosceptic who backed Brexit campaigns from the beginning, Hosking represents the continuity between the Brexit-funding networks of the 2010s and Reform UK's current donor structure, demonstrating how the same money has followed Farage through multiple party rebrands.

Full name: Jeremy Hosking **Approx total donated (to Reform/ Brexit Party):** £2-4 million **Source of wealth:** Wealthy investor, asset management — founder of Hosking Partners (London-based asset management firm). Long-established City financial figure. **Why they donate:** Hardline Eurosceptic. One of the original major funders of Brexit campaigns. Backed Nigel Farage's political projects from the Brexit Party through to Reform UK. **Controversies:** His funding of climate-sceptic causes has drawn attention — Hosking has funded groups questioning climate science and opposing net zero policies. His asset management background places him firmly in the City establishment, despite funding an anti-establishment party. Previously a Conservative donor before switching to Reform.

Twitter/X Discussion

Hosking is named alongside Harborne and Tice as one of the trio providing ~70-75% of Reform UK's income since 2019 — a statistic that circulates widely. The phrase "ex-Tory money under a new flag" is frequently applied to him. He is sometimes cited in threads about "Tufton Street 2.0" — the network of climate-sceptic, free-market groups that fund right-wing causes.

His donations to climate-sceptic causes are flagged by environmental accounts as part of a wider pattern of fossil fuel-linked funding in Reform.

Reddit Discussion

Hosking is less discussed on Reddit than the bigger names (Harborne, Yusuf), but appears in threads about Reform's funding concentration — the statistic that 70-75% of the party's money comes from just three people is a recurring point.

Notes

- Part of the trio (Harborne, Tice, Hosking) who provided 70-75% of all Reform UK / Brexit Party income since 2019
- Represents the flow of ex-Tory donors to Reform
- Funding also goes to climate-sceptic think tanks and campaigns

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