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16 men: a team of 11 players, 5 managers.

3 Lords, one Sir, and 12 men who, combined, have had major govt. or Tory jobs. In total, they've donated at least £7.3m to the Conservatives, and won 37 Covid19 contracts worth £2.1bn. [@allthecitizens](#) presents: GREEDS UNITED



Over £2.1bn has been awarded to friends and donors of the Tory party since the start of this pandemic. Of some £15bn worth of Covid contracts reviewed by [@allthecitizens](#) at least 15% have gone to Tory advisors/donors/MPs/personal connections... KICK OFF!

GREEDS UNITED SCORE SHEET

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 player and 4 managers • 3 Lords and 1 Sir • 10 government advisors or ex-employees • 2 members of Tory donors 'Leaders Group' • 1 former Conservative party treasurer • 1 ex-Tory councillor • 1 Tory MP | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £7.3m donations • 37 Covid 19 contracts • £2.1bn worth of contracts • 15 denials there was any nepotism, collusion, favourable treatment, undue process or illegal behaviour in any of this. |
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The Manager is Lord Ashcroft. A £350m contract to "support medical & clinical services" was scored by Medacs Healthcare, whose parent company, Impellam, is owned by Conservative grandee. Through companies etc. he's donated £5.8m to the party. NO LIMIT! <https://t.co/Twb5gJ5BYL>

MANAGER



**Lord
Ashcroft**

Key stats

- Donated millions to the Tories over the years
- Offered to guarantee Tory party overdraft when it fell £3m in the red.
- Sometimes found off-side in Belize
- Refuses to play with EU nations
- Wants the team mascot to be a pig called David

Last night [@allthecitizens](#) found a 1/3rd billion gov contract won by a company linked to Conservative donor Lord Ashcroft.

\xa3350m Covid19 award goes to company run by Impellam, where former Tory treasurer has \u2018significant interest\u2019. THREAD: pic.twitter.com/eXZxIJpFM

— The Citizens (@allthecitizens) [January 20, 2021](#)

Next is David Meller. Meller Designs netted £154.7m from 7 PPE deals ranging from hanitiser to face masks via the rapid procurement process. The company's owned by David Meller, who's donated almost £60,000 to the Conservative party since 2009. YES! <https://t.co/XZdyJLtay7>

1: CENTRE FORWARD



**David
Meller**

Key stats

- Donated £60,000 to Tory party since 2009
- Loves to 'party hard': was joint chairman of the President's Club (resigning following incidents of sexual misconduct at the club by others)
- Trustee of think tank Policy Exchange, founded by Michael Gove

Haraldur Agustsson. Globus Shetland and Alpha Solway, companies run by Conservative Leaders' Group member Agustsson, won £104m in PPE supply deals. Globus Shetland contract was more than the company's total turnover for previous 2 years. FOUL!

<https://t.co/I0Txd4M3>

2: CENTRE FORWARD



**Haraldur
Agustsson**

Key stats

- Won £104m in contracts with his two companies.
- Globus (Shetland) Ltd has put more than £365,000 into Tory party coffers since 2016.
- He gave the Tories £50,000 twice in 2016 - and then made four donations totalling over £100,000 in 2017.

We have spent months looking at UK gov Covid 19 contracts, and wondered if major Tory Donors are winning any? What of Alpha Solway - does it have links to a Conservative party donor club? It won 6 PPE contracts worth nearly £311 million: pic.twitter.com/QswaRUwXLc

— The Citizens (@allthecitizens) [October 23, 2020](#)

Steven Parkin: Another Leaders Group member, he's donated £725,000 to the party over the last five years, and owns haulage company Clipper Logistics. Clipper was awarded a £1.3m deal to oversee the NHS PPE supply chain. SCORE! <https://t.co/BXmbev9M3F>

3: LEFT MIDFIELD



**Steven
Parkin**

Key stats

- Has donated £725,000 to the Tories over the last five years
- Company he owns, Clipper logistics, awarded a £1.3 million PPE deal.
- Attended Conservative funder 'Leaders Group'
- Has been warned by the ref recently for continuing to play in the middle of the pandemic.

Sir Philip Hulme: Computacenter Ltd won contracts worth £198m from Dep for Education to deliver 230,000 laptops to vulnerable pupils after school lockdowns. Sir Philip and wife have donated tens of thousands to Conservative Party. BACK OF THE NET! <https://t.co/xAAvv96m53>

4: CENTRE MIDFIELD



**Sir Philip
Hulme**

Key stats

- In November 2019, Hulme's wife, Janet, gave the party £100,000. He donated £10,000 in 2013.
- In April 2020, his company, Computa Centre won £60m to provide 230,000 laptops to Covid-hit pupils.
- It won £6.3m in June to supply 4G wireless routers.

Anthony Page: ex-employee of Tory peer Baroness Mone, Page set up PPE Medpro on same day he left a company that manages her brand. After existing for just 44 days, the company won £202m with 2 contracts for facemasks. YOU'LL NEVER WALK ALONE!

<https://t.co/Wb8UjLzxCY>

5: CENTRE MIDFIELD



**Anthony
Page**

Key stats

- PPE Medpro awarded £202m after being created by Anthony Page on the day he quit as the secretary of Tory Baroness Mone's company MGM Media, Mr Page is also director of finance firm Knox Group, founded by Mone's fiancé, Doug Barrowman.
- The Baroness denies everything

Lord Feldman: Tulchan, a PR firm run by Dept of Health advisor Lord Feldman, began work for Oxford Nanopore weeks after it won a £28m testing contract. It then secured over £100m more...GOAL!

<https://t.co/GRIqbq8usj>

6. RIGHT MIDFIELD



**Lord Andrew
Feldman**

Key stats

- Tulchan, a PR firm run by Lord Feldman, began working for Oxford Nanopore weeks after it won a £27.9m contract.
- Nanopore then secured over £100m more.
- The FT described Feldman as "David Cameron's oldest political friend".
- Donated £77,390 to the Tories.

Steve Dechan: P14 Medical won £276.5m across 3 deals for the supply of face masks and isolation gowns. P14 Medical is co-owned by ex-Conservative councillor Steve Dechan. It declared a loss of £486,000 in 2019. HAT-TRICK!

<https://t.co/3fMoYoexoI>

7: LEFT-BACK



**Steve
Dechan**

Key stats

- Was Conservative councillor in his spare time
- Outside the field runs Platform 14 - awarded contracts worth in excess of £270m.
- Swears alot
- Often known to cry 'foul' if tackled hard

Paul Stephenson: Lobby firm Hanbury Strategy won 2 contracts worth £640k. Hanbury has a number of Tories, including co-founder Stephenson who worked with Dominic Cummings on Vote Leave, and Ameet Gill, ex-strategy director for Cameron. OFFSIDE! <https://t.co/Tf1mOJbUIh>

8: CENTRE-BACK



**Paul
Stephenson**

Key stats

- Lobbying firm Hanbury Strategy won two contracts worth £640,000.
- Co-founder Paul Stephenson worked alongside Dominic Cummings on Vote Leave,
- Business partner, Ameet Gill OBE, was ex-strategy director for David Cameron.

James Frayne: Public First, another PR firm based in London's Tufton St, is run by Cummings ally, James Frayne, who's worked with the ex-SPAD for 20 years. Public First were awarded £840,000 to research public opinion. KICK IT! <https://t.co/RE8aFrdbgD>

9: CENTRE-BACK



**James
Frayne**

Key stats

- Long term friend of Dominic Cummings
- Public First awarded £840,000 to research public opinion.
- Co-director, Rachel Wolf also wrote the Conservative 2019 manifesto.
- PR firm based in London's Tufton St.

Tom Guerin: founded by two New Zealanders, the Tory-linked PR firm won £3m for Covid-19 government messaging campaign. Firm's previous activities inc changing CCHQ Twitter to "fact check UK", and setting up a website to mimic Labour's manifesto. STUCK IN! <https://t.co/0eYqdyCSsX>

10: RIGHT-BACK



**Tom
Guerin**

Key stats

- Runs Topham/Guerin - won £3m without tender to work on a Covid-19 government messaging.
- Firm's previous work was changing the name of CCHQ Twitter to "fact check UK" and setting up a website to mimic Labour's manifesto.
- Known to foul.

Alex Bourne: ex-neighbour of Matt Hancock, Bourne's company Hinpack won £30m to make test tubes, despite having no history in making them. The deal was initially considered after a Whatsapp conversation between Bourne and the Health Secretary. ON-SIDE! <https://t.co/R2M5JF1r1o>

11: GOALKEEPER



**Alex
Bourne**

Key stats

- £30 million was awarded to Bourne's company Hinpack to make test tubes. The firm itself had no history of making them.
- Bourne used to be Health Secretary Matt Hancock's neighbour
- They secured the deal by What'sApp.

Owen Paterson: Randox won two contracts for £467m to support testing measures, with some kits issued by the company recalled in July last year. Tory MP Owen Paterson is a consultant for the firm, earning £100,000 per year. PENALTY!

<https://t.co/kRQPqljc72>

CATERING MANAGER



**Owen
Paterson**

Key stats

- Conservative Party politician who was the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
- MP for North Shropshire
- Paid advisor to Randox where he earns £100,000 a year
- Randox won £467m in two Covid19 contracts.

Lord Agnew: as 2020 NAO report into govt procurement highlighted, Lord Agnew was still in possession of £90,000 worth of shares in Vote Leave affiliated AI company Faculty when it was awarded over £900,000 for work on the Covid-19 data store. OLE-OLE-OLE! <https://t.co/12YP0es6DY>

IT MANAGER



**Lord
Theodore Agnew**

Key stats

- Lord Agnew had £90,000 shares in AI company Faculty when Faculty was awarded £900,000 for work on the Covid-19 data store.
- Has donated £134,000 to the Tory party (2007-09)
- The NAO said there was no evidence he was involved in the bid.

Andrew Mills: as an advisor to Ayanda, he brokered a £253m deal while sitting on the board of trade under Minister Liz Truss. The agreement was through a fast-track procurement lane, with NAO highlighting it's irregular nature. COME ON!
<https://t.co/nOJL9lILn4>

BUSINESS MANAGER



**Andrew
Mills**

Key stats

- Andre Mills was an advisor to Ayanda Capital which won a £253m deal .
- He sits on the Board of Trade under Liz Truss.
- The agreement was processed through a fast-track procurement lane, with the NAO highlighting the irregular nature of it's award process.

Finally, Former Tory minister George Freeman failed to seek official approval before giving "commercial advice" to a company producing protective equipment used by the NHS. He broke the Ministerial Code for his actions.
<https://t.co/icJKTukWr7>

TRANSPORT MANAGER



**George
Freeman**

Key stats

- Freeman did not consult the right gov committee before being hired to provide "commercial advice" by a company that produces protective equipment used by the NHS during the pandemic.
- Freeman was paid £5,000 by Aerosol Shield Limited.

Greeds United Lawyers would like to stress no player or manager did anything wrong in winning these Covid19-related contracts. Despite the open-tendering procurement process being suspended in the pandemic, all of its team won on a level playing field.

THEY'RE MARCHING ON TOGETHER