

Thomas Alexander Mair

He was born in Kilmarnock in Scotland, and moved to Birstall, near Leeds with his Mum after his parents divorced.

Early Adult life:

- Mair lived alone in the same house for decades A police official described Mair as a 'loner in the truest sense of the word ... who never held down a job, never had a girlfriend never had any friends'.
- In his house Mair had made a small library about the Nazis, German military history and white supremacy. He had a gold-coloured, Third Reich eagle with a swastika.
- He often went to the local library where he had made internet searches about white supremacist groups and terrorist attacks they had carried out.
- He bought books from a neo-Nazi organisation, the National Alliance, on how to make bombs and home-made pistols

Days before the attack

- A number of Asian taxi drivers say Mair would utter insulting comments to them. "He'd been reported by a few taxi drivers for making racist remarks."
- Mair thought that white people were under attack in this country. He targeted Jo Cox, because she believed people of all backgrounds should be treated equally. He saw her as 'a traitor' to white people.
- He had been fantasising about killing someone that he saw as a traitor to the white race for over 17 years.
- The evening before killing Jo Cox, Mair visited a treatment centre in Birstall seeking help for depression.
- During the attack, Mair cried out "This is for Britain", "Keep Britain independent" and "Britain first"
- At his trial he was asked to give his name and said "My name is death to traitors, freedom for Britain". Mair is now serving a life sentence in prison. He is in a single cell and speaks to nobody. He will die in prison.
- A group called National Action supported his attack. The group posted a message, which read: "Our thoughts go out to Thomas Mair #Britain-First #JoCoxMP" and, "Don't let this man's sacrifice go in vain. #JoCox would have filled Yorkshire with more subhumans."