# The Boris Chronicles: Paul Middleton, the Man Who Made Boris Johnson Famous

Paul Middleton, the former Conservative MP for Worthing West, played a significant role in shaping Boris Johnson's early political career. Middleton was a close friend and mentor to Johnson, and he helped to launch Johnson's career in journalism and politics.



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Sunday Times. In 1983, he was elected to Parliament as the MP for Worthing West. Middleton was a controversial figure, and he was often criticized for his outspoken views. However, he was also a popular figure, and he was known for his wit and charm.

Middleton first met Johnson in the early 1980s, and the two men quickly became friends. Middleton was impressed by Johnson's intelligence and charisma, and he saw him as a potential future leader of the Conservative Party. Middleton helped Johnson to get his start in journalism, and he also helped him to get elected to Parliament in 2001.

Middleton was a close advisor to Johnson during Johnson's early years in politics. He helped Johnson to develop his political philosophy, and he was also a key figure in Johnson's successful campaign for Mayor of London in 2008.

Middleton died in 2013, but his legacy lives on. He is remembered as one of the most influential figures in British politics, and he played a significant role in the rise of Boris Johnson.

### Middleton's Early Life and Career

Paul Middleton was born in London in 1954. He was the son of a Conservative MP, and he grew up in a privileged environment. Middleton attended Eton College and Oxford University, where he studied history. After graduating from Oxford, Middleton worked as a journalist for the

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Sunday Times. In 1983, he was elected to Parliament as the MP for Worthing West.

Middleton was a controversial figure from the start. He was known for his outspoken views, and he was often critical of the Conservative Party leadership. However, Middleton was also a popular figure, and he was known for his wit and charm.

Middleton's early career was marked by a series of high-profile scandals. In 1984, he was accused of having an affair with a married woman. In 1985, he was arrested for drunk driving. And in 1986, he was accused of sexual harassment by a female journalist.

Despite these scandals, Middleton's career continued to rise. In 1987, he was appointed Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Secretary of State for Education. In 1990, he was appointed Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Environment. And in 1992, he was appointed Minister of State for the Environment.

Middleton's career reached its peak in 1997, when he was appointed Secretary of State for Transport. However, Middleton's time as Transport Secretary was short-lived. In 1998, he was forced to resign after he was accused of lying to Parliament about his role in a rail crash.

Middleton's resignation was a major blow to the Conservative Party. However, Middleton remained a popular figure within the party, and he continued to play a role in Conservative politics.

#### Middleton and Boris Johnson

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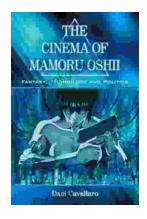
Paul Middleton was a complex and controversial figure. He was a talented politician, but he was also a flawed man. Despite his flaws, Middleton played a significant role in British politics, and he helped to shape the career of one of the most successful politicians of our time.



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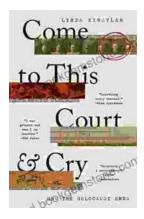
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