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## ***Nigel Farage***

Reform UK likely to raise council tax in Kent despite promise to cut costs

Guardian (UK News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 16:05:14 GMT

Kent becomes latest local authority controlled by Nigel Farage's party to signal intention to raise council tax A Reform UK-run council where the party sought to pilot drastic cost-cutting plans is going to have to raise council tax, a cabinet member has admitted. Services at Kent county council were already "down to t

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2025/oct/06/reform-uk-likely-to-raise-council-tax-in-kent-despite-promises-of-cost-cutting-drive>

NHS could cease to function under Labour's new visa rules, say nurses

Guardian (UK News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 14:52:08 GMT

Exclusive: Royal College of Nursing says plan to tighten rules for foreign workers is 'pandering' to Reform UK The NHS and social care would cease to function under the government's new rules to be imposed on foreign staff, nursing leaders have said, as hundreds of medics condemned the policy as "divisive and xenophobi

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2025/oct/06/nhs-social-care-labour-new-visa-rules-royal-college-of-nursing>

Tax authorities examine finances of key **Nigel Farage** ally

Guardian (UK News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 14:50:42 GMT

Exclusive: HMRC conducts scoping exercise into Reform UK backer 'Posh George' Cottrell's income from business and wealth The finances of one of Nigel Farage's key confidants are being examined by the UK's tax and revenue authorities amid questions over his income from wealth and business activities, the Guardian unders

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2025/oct/06/tax-authorities-nigel-farage-hmrc-reform-uk-george-cottrell>

Top **Farage** aide hints Conservatives could merge with Reform UK post-election if Jenrick becomes Tory leader

Independent (News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 13:50:09 GMT

Gawain Towler also hinted Reform will have an open-door policy to Tory defectors

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/nigel-farage-robert-jenrick-reform-conservative-gawain-towler-b2840040.html>

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Reform UK: Kent local authority poised to hike council tax

City AM (News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 13:07:26 +0000

Reform UK-run Kent county council is likely to raise council tax next year, with a cabinet member suggesting that a five per cent hike is on the cards. Diane Morton, the council lead for adult social care, told the Financial Times: “We’ve got more demand than ever before and it’s growing.” “We just want more [...

<https://www.cityam.com/reform-uk-kent-local-authority-poised-to-hike-council-tax/>

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<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2025/oct/06/zack-polanski-green-party-conference-leader>

Reform UK 'set to hike Kent council tax by 5% next year' amid claims DOGE-style cost cutting has failed

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 09:28:01 GMT

The local authority was one of 10 English councils that Nigel Farage’s party seized control of at May’s local elections.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15165877/Reform-UK-set-hike-Kent-council-tax-5-year-amid-claims-DOGE-style-cost-cutting-failed.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15165877/Reform-UK-set-hike-Kent-council-tax-5-year-amid-claims-DOGE-style-cost-cutting-failed.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Gruesome reason alleged killer may not face trial over Isla Bell’s death after teenager was found dead at a garbage tip

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 05:29:29 GMT

Fears a man accused of murdering tragic Melbourne teenager Isla Bell may never face trial have escalated amid the airing of shocking revelations.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15165209/Isla-Bell-murder-trial-Marat-Ganiev-body.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15165209/Isla-Bell-murder-trial-Marat-Ganiev-body.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Don’t despair, Tories: look upon Reform and see your rightful and fitting legacy | Nesrine Malik

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## **Keir Starmer**

Term ‘disabled’ being used too widely, shadow work and pensions secretary says – UK politics live

Guardian (UK News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 16:27:34 GMT

Helen Whateley says ‘millions are sitting on the sofa at home’ Mel Stride , the shadow chancellor, was doing an interview round for the Conservatives this morning, and Miatta Fahnbulleh , the faith and communities minister, was on the air on behalf of the government. They were both asked about the latest

development in

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/live/2025/oct/06/conservative-tory-party-conference-spending-welfare-immigration-labour-starmer-reform-uk-politics-live-news-updates>

Kirstie Allsopp leads fury over Labour's 'pathetic' house-buying reforms - and fears **Keir Starmer** will roll out digital IDs to get on the property ladder

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 15:39:12 GMT

Kirsty Allsopp has led the fury over Labour's new house-buying reforms branding the proposals 'pathetic'.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15166783/Kirstie-Allsopp-fury-Labours-pathetic-house-buying-reforms.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15166783/Kirstie-Allsopp-fury-Labours-pathetic-house-buying-reforms.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Tories say people denied benefits in UK can return to home countries

Guardian (UK News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 14:59:43 GMT

Mel Stride outlines plans to slash £47bn a year from public spending, including £23bn welfare cut UK politics live – latest updates Overseas nationals denied benefits under a Conservative plan to limit social security to UK citizens would have the option to return to their own countries, the shadow chancellor, Mel Stri

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2025/oct/06/tories-conservatives-benefits-uk-welfare-cuts-public-spending>

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Fresh setback for **Starmer** as Lord Kinnock backs 'anti-Keir candidate' Lucy Powell for Labour's deputy leader - after demanding wealth tax

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 12:02:57 GMT

Lucy Powell is competing with Cabinet minister Bridget Phillipson in a head-to-head contest to replace Angela Rayner as Labour deputy leader.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15166409/Fresh-setback-Starmer-Lord-Kinnock-backs-anti-Keir-candidate-Lucy-Powell-Labours-deputy-leader-demanding-wealth-tax.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15166409/Fresh-setback-Starmer-Lord-Kinnock-backs-anti-Keir-candidate-Lucy-Powell-Labours-deputy-leader-demanding-wealth-tax.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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Debunked: Did **Starmer** really call the far-left to 'take up arms and go for' Reform UK?

Independent (News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 10:03:57 GMT

Reform UK deputy leader Richard Tice accused Labour's Sir Keir Starmer of urging the far left to "take up arms and go for the enemy."

<https://www.independent.co.uk/tv/news/starmer-reform-labour-take-up-arms-richard-tice-b2838769.html>

ANDREW PIERCE: **Starmer's** security chief Jonathan Powell is a shadowy figure with more influence than any minister - Daily Mail

Daily Mail via Google (keir starmer) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 00:16:12 GMT

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## ***Kemi Badenoch***

Tory divisions erupts over state pension triple lock as MP blasts policy

Daily Express (Politics) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 16:54:00 +0100

Kemi Badenoch ally says Tories won't scrap triple lock as MP brands it a 'Ponzi scheme'

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2117910/tories-state-pension-triple-lock>

Robert Jenrick hits out at Liz Truss's 'careless' and 'un-conservative' mini-Budget

Independent (News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 16:30:16 GMT

Robert Jenrick also dismissed any speculation about his leadership ambitions, telling his audience Kemi Badenoch would lead the Tories into the next election

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/robert-jenrick-liz-truss-mini-budget-tory-conference-b2840232.html>

Ex-Cabinet minister Lord Frost fuels Reform defection talk as he blasts Tories for being 'far too positive' and warns 'we're close to ceasing to exist'

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 16:17:10 GMT

The Conservative peer, the UK's former chief Brexit negotiator, attacked the 'torpor' of the party under Kemi Badenoch's leadership.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15167145/Ex-Cabinet-minister-Lord-Frost-fuels-Reform-defection-talk-blasts-Tories-far-positive-warns-close-ceasing-exist.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15167145/Ex-Cabinet-minister-Lord-Frost-fuels-Reform-defection-talk-blasts-Tories-far-positive-warns-close-ceasing-exist.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

It's **Badenoch's** Tory show, 2025: like Britain seeing an old flame and remembering why we blocked their number | Frances Ryan

Guardian (Politics) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 16:03:51 GMT

The conference offers a flailing leader, Trumpite policies and rivals jockeying for position. It is comical, but also worrying. If last year's general election marked the death of the Conservative party, this week's conference in Manchester is the wake. Based on the policies unveiled in recent days, one can only assume t

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2025/oct/06/kemi-badenoch-tory-conservative-conference-britain>

Enjoying the implosion of the Tories? That's understandable – but completely wrong | Zoe Williams

Guardian (Politics) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 15:18:08 GMT

The world's most successful democratic party is in a death spiral of its own making – leaving no bulwark between the moderate and truly far right. There have been times in living memory that Conservative leaders have sounded almost sensible on the surface – and times where they have sounded animal crackers, yet were sti

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Make-or-break week for **Badenoch** – podcast

Guardian (UK News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 15:10:01 GMT

Pippa Crerar and Kiran Stacey are at the Conservative party conference in Manchester, where Kemi Badenoch is trying to convince disgruntled Tory MPs to hold their nerve. But how much longer will the party give her to turn things around? Plus, they discuss the government's plans to give police more powers to stop protes

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/audio/2025/oct/06/make-or-break-week-for-badenoch-podcast>

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Why time matters for Tory MPs deciding **Kemi Badenoch's** future

BBC (UK) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 01:21:44 GMT

For many Tory MPs looking at Kemi Badenoch's leadership, they are already wondering how much more time she needs to turn around the party's fortunes.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cn0rnj6504yo?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cn0rnj6504yo?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

**John Swinney**

## **Swinney** heckled at vigil for victims of Hamas attacks

BBC (UK) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 15:03:32 GMT

Members of the crowd shouted "shame on you" as Swinney spoke about the 2023 attacks at an event outside Holyrood.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c4gk58l0pxro?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c4gk58l0pxro?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

## Storm Amy disruption 'illustration of climate problem' – **Swinney**

Independent (News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 11:15:03 GMT

The first named storm of the season brought travel disruption and power cuts.

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/business/john-swinney-amy-first-minister-scottish-power-edinburgh-b2840093.html>

## **Ed Davey**

CLARE FOGES: I know the REAL reason Candace Owens is attacking Brigitte Macron and accusing her of being a man. Candace is reckless - it's so clear to me what will happen next

Daily Mail (Articles) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 17:08:47 +0100

Have you heard? Popular US YouTuber Candace Owens is actually 50 per cent human, 50 per cent serpent. How do I know? A guy on TikTok said so.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/femail/article-15166923/CLARE-FOGES-know-REAL-reason-Candace-Owens-attacking-Brigitte-Macron-accusing-man-Candace-reckless-clear-happen-next.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/femail/article-15166923/CLARE-FOGES-know-REAL-reason-Candace-Owens-attacking-Brigitte-Macron-accusing-man-Candace-reckless-clear-happen-next.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

Nottingham attack victim Grace O'Malley-Kumar posthumously awarded bravery medal

Independent (News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 13:29:16 GMT

The family of 19-year-old Grace O'Malley-Kumar say they are so proud of their daughter for attempting to fight off attacker

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/nottingham-attack-grace-o-malley-kumar-george-medal-b2839928.html>

Nottingham attack victim will be posthumously awarded the George Medal for trying to protect her friend before monster killed them both

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 07:46:18 GMT

The teenager, who was violently stabbed to death in Nottingham city centre in June 2023, will receive the honour, a civilian award for bravery, after being recommended by King Charles.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15164827/Nottingham-attack-victim-posthumously-awarded-George-Medal-trying-protect-friend-monster-killed-both.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15164827/Nottingham-attack-victim-posthumously-awarded-George-Medal-trying-protect-friend-monster-killed-both.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Princess Beatrice's navy broderie blouse is in high demand - but luckily it's available in white too

Daily Mail (Articles) · Mon, 06 Oct 2025 07:25:15 +0100

Princess Beatrice recently stepped out in New York to support her sister Princess Eugenie at an event hosted in collaboration with the Anti-Slavery Collective, the charity Eugenie co-founded.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/royals/article-15155629/princess-beatrice-navy-broderie-blouse-shop-white.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/royals/article-15155629/princess-beatrice-navy-broderie-blouse-shop-white.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

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