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## ***Nigel Farage***

Couple 'locked vulnerable woman in garage for five years' and 'forced her to eat porridge with dish soap'

Independent (News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 11:19:15 GMT

The victim lost 50kg and had her bank account and benefits drained during the horrific ordeal in western France

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/europe/france-woman-torture-house-home-porridge-bleach-b2850692.html>

Reform could make massive Welsh breakthrough TODAY as Labour faces collapse in Caerphilly Senedd by-election after controlling area for a CENTURY

Daily Mail (Articles) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 09:20:08 +0100

Nigel Farage's party is leading the race for the Senedd seat of Caerphilly amid signs that Labour's hold over the former industrial heartlands of the South Wales valleys is weakening.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15219373/Reform-Welsh-breakthrough-Labour-collapse-Caerphilly-Senedd.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15219373/Reform-Welsh-breakthrough-Labour-collapse-Caerphilly-Senedd.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

Tory deportation plan would upend Britain

Financial Times (World) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 08:30:51 GMT

Proposing such a radical bill with little public support is a gift to Nigel Farage

<https://www.ft.com/content/9a1d3c1f-ebe8-4a0b-8ad9-e5bb188c00c0>

## ***Keir Starmer***

**Keir Starmer** backs Jess Phillips amid growing backlash in grooming gangs row

Daily Mirror (News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 13:36:19 +0000

Children's Minister Josh MacAlister offered a strong defence of Ms Phillips, and insisted his colleague was 'properly engaging' with survivors of the grooming gang scandal

<https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/politics/jess-phillips-not-resign-over-36117969>

**Starmer** says Channel migrant who returned to the UK will be deported to France AGAIN as he denies his plans are 'in tatters' after Macron 'backed out' of deal to intercept boats

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 13:31:59 GMT

Keir Starmer argued that a migrant who returned to the UK after being deported to France under the 'one in, one out' deal would 'swiftly' be sent there again.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15219171/Starmer-Channel-migrant-plans-France-deal-intercept-boats-UK.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15219171/Starmer-Channel-migrant-plans-France-deal-intercept-boats-UK.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Downing Street dismisses calls for MPs to be given time to debate Prince Andrew

Independent (News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 13:29:52 GMT

On Wednesday, Keir Starmer said he would support 'proper scrutiny' of the Crown Estate arrangements

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/prince-andrew-virginia-giuffre-titles-debate-starmer-royal-family-b2850859.html>

Migrant who returned to Britain after 'one in, one out' deal being 'fast-tracked' back to France, **Starmer** vows

Independent (News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 13:24:56 GMT

Prime minister says the man's return journey back to UK had been 'completely pointless'

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/migrant-france-one-in-one-out-small-boat-channel-b2850831.html>

France 'may not intervene to reverse small boats in the Channel' in blow to **Starmer's** migration plan

Independent (News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 13:20:30 GMT

France backing away from commitment to turn back small boats in the Channel, according to reports

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/france-small-boat-migrants-channel-uk-police-b2850683.html>

PM says 'of course' he has faith in Jess Phillips despite grooming gang survivors' call for her to quit – UK politics live

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 13:15:46 GMT

The four survivors to quit the inquiry's panel said they would only return if Phillips was removed Rachel Reeves has announced a £500m investment package for new homes and stronger transport links between Oxford and Cambridge as part of a bid to create "Europe's Silicon Valley" in southern England, PA Media reports. PA

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/live/2025/oct/23/jess-phillips-grooming-gangs-inquiry-keir-starmer-labour-uk-politics-latest-news>

Prince Andrew latest: William 'taking control' of Palace response to scandal after criticism

Independent (News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 13:08:39 GMT

Starmer backs calls for King's brother to be hauled in front of MPs to give evidence in parliament

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/prince-andrew-royal-lodge-virginia-giuffre-latest-news-b2850570.html>

PM backs minister as fifth grooming gang survivor urges her to quit

BBC (UK) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 12:45:01 GMT

Sir Keir Starmer stands by safeguarding minister Jess Phillips as she faces growing calls to quit.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cly285e5ljyo?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cly285e5ljyo?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

Frontrunner suffers blow in race to be UK ambassador to US over criticisms of Trump

Guardian (Politics) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 12:11:31 GMT

Exclusive: Whitehall officials raise fears about Mark Sedwill's newspaper article warning of president's 'blundering' behaviour UK politics live – latest updates Mark Sedwill's prospects of becoming the UK's ambassador in Washington have taken a blow after officials raised concerns about an article he wrote in 2021 pra

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2025/oct/23/frontrunner-suffers-blow-in-race-to-mark-sedwill-be-uk-ambassador-to-us-over-article-critical-to-trump>

Is Sir U-turn about to strike again? No10 frantically plays down claims **Keir Starmer** is poised to ditch Labour's pledge to decarbonise Britain's electricity grid by 2030

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 11:28:31 GMT

No10 dismissed claims the Prime Minister will drop the Government's plan to decarbonise the UK's electricity grid by 2030.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15220031/Is-Sir-U-turn-strike-No10-frantically-plays-claims-Keir-Starmers-pois-ed-ditch-Labours-pledge-decarbonise-Britains-electricity-grid-2030.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15220031/Is-Sir-U-turn-strike-No10-frantically-plays-claims-Keir-Starmers-pois-ed-ditch-Labours-pledge-decarbonise-Britains-electricity-grid-2030.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

**Keir Starmer** is 'out of touch' with Labour voters and must be clearer about party's 'purpose' says soft-Left favourite to win vote to become his new deputy

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 11:24:51 GMT

Lucy Powell hit out at the Prime Minister in the lead-up to poll closing today in a deputy leadership election that could trigger a major new schism in Labour and see it tack even further to the left.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15219639/Keir-Starmers-Labour-voters-clearer-partys-purpose-Lucy-Powell.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15219639/Keir-Starmers-Labour-voters-clearer-partys-purpose-Lucy-Powell.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Reform's only Black branch chair quits over 'harmful' migration debate

Guardian (Politics) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 11:00:39 GMT

Exclusive: Neville Watson leaves amid concerns about weaponisation of religion and erosion of community relations UK politics live – latest updates The only Black branch chair of Reform UK has left the rightwing populist party, saying the tone of Britain's migration debate is "doing more harm than good".  
Neville Watson

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2025/oct/23/reform-only-black-branch-chair-quits-over-harmful-migration-debate>

No 10 denies reports **Starmer** is preparing to miss 2030 clean energy target

Independent (News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 10:19:21 GMT

The Prime Minister was said to be considering dropping the goal in order to keep energy bills down.

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/business/keir-starmer-government-ed-miliband-prime-minister-tony-blair-institute-b2850784.html>

Is Brexit really to blame for the Chancellor's growth headache?

City AM (News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 09:00:24 +0000

As the government prepares the public psyche for substantial tax hikes at next month's Budget, the Chancellor has taken a Brexit-shaped risk. Keir Starmer's government has largely opted for caution over talking about relations with the European Union. The Prime Minister has insisted that re-opening the Brexit debate

<https://www.cityam.com/is-brexit-really-to-blame-for-the-chancellors-growth-headache/>

Thames Water ranked worst supplier in England as firms' ratings hit record low

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 08:44:51 GMT

Environment Agency rates eight of nine companies as poor and needing improvement Business live – latest updates UK politics live – latest updates England's water company ratings have fallen to the lowest level on record after sewage pollution last year hit a new peak, with eight of nine water companies rated as poor and

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2025/oct/23/english-water-ratings-record-low-sewage-pollution>

Jess Phillips has 'full backing' of PM over grooming gangs inquiry, says minister

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 08:03:30 GMT

Children's minister, Josh MacAlister, insists Phillips will remain safeguarding minister as four abuse survivors call for her resignation UK politics live – latest updates A minister has said the government has

“full confidence” in Jess Phillips after four abuse survivors called for her resignation as a condition for t

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2025/oct/23/jess-phillips-has-full-backing-of-pm-over-grooming-gangs-inquiry-says-minister>

**Starmer** says Channel migrant who returned to the UK will be deported to France AGAIN as he denies his plans are 'in tatters' after Macron 'backed out' of deal to intercept boats - Daily Mail

Daily Mail via Google (keir starmer) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 07:05:09 GMT

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<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMitgFBVV95cUxORnJwT1hmckdNX2JLYXJZbDVNTDgxcnhaRWwwYS1VMY1OaUJlUETpd05jdmhSS1RlaGUwT3ltRTBVb25xQXFCOHZBSFVIRTJub2NGQzF5R2lVRzgwc4tMjl5NmZGRUwxQWdRMGZyTk4zc3ZYVVBHb0xEX1ZfSnAzemd6YjkyRDZYQ0Ffek1HNWU0R291ejl4U1NQUXZ2SVcxY3M1TFIwOHhQSEptdXlZVlVYm1k0UdIBuWFBVV95cUxPWEpDNVvocUjBjE5rSk1IQ2VhaFpTaHNOQXgtYnLOU9kTnVWwDhJQXVlQnRGVmhJcEpxSDJhWGJhWTZPdjdYWFaNTFES1czVnduU2JCOEVIZ2xVczdsRDZTVXdwOUp0NE5EdnZBaV9oSmdbi1uR3lrWjRJaDZTdHAybDc3WVBtSS11ei1FWjlZU0FjZUNLYmgyVUpkX2t5Rkt0dnI2bTNzSmFpWWtBZWWh3NGJROXF6NHdn?oc=5>

Le Farce! Migrant deported to France under **Starmer's** 'one in, one out' deal is back in Britain just 29 days later... on a small boat - as figures show 2025 arrivals ALREADY exceed those for 2024

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 01:02:22 GMT

The Iranian man's second dinghy crossing took place just 29 days after he was kicked out of the country under Sir Keir Starmer's flagship borders policy.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15218153/Migrant-deported-France-Starmers-deal-returns.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15218153/Migrant-deported-France-Starmers-deal-returns.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

## **Kemi Badenoch**

— no mentions today —

## **John Swinney**

— no mentions today —

## **Ed Davey**

All change as new King Charles 5p coins enter circulation - ITVX

ITV (Google News) · Wed, 22 Oct 2025 23:04:23 GMT

All change as new King Charles 5p coins enter circulation &nbsp;&nbsp;  ITVX

<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMimAFBVV95cUxPTkZ3RUdfTmptaTEyNmIGVGgwMkhWd2YtYXZuNjI0SHRYVWJvalliS1k0cFJYenVjdWFnSm5QVGZzTnBxS214VDlaVEJ2NENwYkdINktWeDR0MEVfdEFOX1VCZUM0OHA3V01qYVdFSHRBa194d080TlpLdTBZS3RUMGJiek9vZ2dXMFdwRF9Qc1JnQUZtbC0wSA?oc=5>

Soft Cell star Dave Ball dies aged 66 just days after finishing final album with band

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 13:36:03 GMT

The electronic musician died on Wednesday, just days after completing the final Soft Cell album, with bandmate Marc Almond describing him as a 'brilliant musical genius'.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15220487/Soft-Cell-star-Dave-Ball-dies-aged-66-just-days-finishing-final-album-band.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15220487/Soft-Cell-star-Dave-Ball-dies-aged-66-just-days-finishing-final-album-band.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Soft Cell co-founder Dave Ball dies, aged 66

BBC (UK) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 13:16:22 GMT

The musician, best known for Tainted Love and Say Hello, Wave Goodbye, died in his sleep at home.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/ckg1rrzn1kwo?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/ckg1rrzn1kwo?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

Dave Ball, synth-pop hitmaker as one half of Soft Cell, dies aged 66

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 13:00:37 GMT

Synth player and producer had huge success with Tainted Love and other Soft Cell hits, and later returned to UK Top 10 with dance project the Grid Dave Ball, who as one half of Soft Cell brought dark, cutting-edge synth-pop to the masses, has died aged 66. Representatives for the musician said he "passed away peacefull

<https://www.theguardian.com/music/2025/oct/23/dave-ball-hitmaker-as-one-half-of-soft-cell-dies-aged-66>

The Ridge review — a compelling thriller with sublime writing - The Times

The Times (Google) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 12:30:00 GMT

The Ridge review — a compelling thriller with sublime writing &nbsp;&nbsp;  The Times

<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMivgFBVV95cUxNZnEzbnkhdTBBTnMyWWhycjYxWjlpd3g4ZHpfUnNjS0N4Q3ZPc1RiMHNidFRHUUZvWG9ITjV1bzZ3Z1BPTzBladAtVE9zeHpHVHlVeG9Vd2didk9URU9BQXJsaENBa1dCSEc0dnBb0dBendacFZSX1V0Vlp3dE9jNU83N1dJUGs5SHpaS05iQnBJMIRvNUMxVi05X2tyV1BtRUVqLU95X0lFUUI1REFKdlV3S3VvaXlzeFMzcXJB?oc=5>

Killer teen who stabbed schoolboy Harvey Willgoose to death had 'long-standing interest in weapons' and carried an axe in his gym bag

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 09:10:42 GMT

Mohammed Umar Khan, 15, stabbed Harvey Willgoose in the heart during a confrontation in front of other pupils during their lunch break at All Saints Catholic High School, Sheffield.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15218405/Killer-teen-stabbed-schoolboy-Harvey-Willgoose.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15218405/Killer-teen-stabbed-schoolboy-Harvey-Willgoose.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

French girl Lola, 12, who was 'raped and murdered by Algerian woman' begged 'please don't hurt me' before she was brutally killed, court hears

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 08:02:22 GMT

Dahbia Benkired, 27, an Algerian migrant living in France , allegedly lured schoolgirl Lola Daviet, 12, into her apartment on October 14, 2022, before sexually assaulting and killing her.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15219213/French-girl-Lola-12-raped-murdered-Algerian-woman-begged-dont-hurt-brutally-killed-court-hears.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15219213/French-girl-Lola-12-raped-murdered-Algerian-woman-begged-dont-hurt-brutally-killed-court-hears.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Did King Charles go far enough in his action against Prince Andrew? Have your say in the Palace Confidential poll

Daily Mail (Articles) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 07:01:13 +0100

You've read the headlines and heard our experts' opinions - but what do YOU think?

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/royals/article-15209281/Did-King-Charles-far-action-Prince-Andrew-Palace-Confidential-poll.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/royals/article-15209281/Did-King-Charles-far-action-Prince-Andrew-Palace-Confidential-poll.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

***Rhun Ap Iorwerth***

— no mentions today —

***Mary Lou McDonald***

Donald Trump has privately admitted Mamdani is 'unbeatable' in New York mayoral race, report says

Independent (News) · Thu, 23 Oct 2025 10:29:16 GMT

President is understood to believe there is no path to victory for Andrew Cuomo or Curtis Sliwa as progressive Democrat Zohran Mamdani races ahead in the polls

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/us-politics/trump-zohran-mamdani-new-york-andrew-cuomo-b2850763.html>

**Gavin Robinson**

— no mentions today —