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## ***Nigel Farage***

Double amputee Afghan war veteran, dubbed 'real hero' by Prince Harry, is subjected to vile racist abuse outside Tesco

Daily Mail (UK News) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 15:39:53 GMT

Former Royal Marine Commando Ben McBean faced a barrage of vile insults after visiting the supermarket for chocolate and beer.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15202277/double-amputee-Afghan-war-Prince-Harry-racist-abuse-Tesco.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15202277/double-amputee-Afghan-war-Prince-Harry-racist-abuse-Tesco.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

'Desperate' **Nigel Farage** 'backtracks' with three-word Putin description

Daily Mirror (News) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 15:07:16 +0000

Panicking Reform UK leader Nigel Farage has been accused of 'desperately trying to backtrack' on his comments on Russia after calling Vladimir Putin a "very bad dude"

<https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/politics/desperate-nigel-farage-backtracks-three-36087003>

UK should shoot Russian jets in Nato airspace, says **Farage**

BBC (UK) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 13:24:17 GMT

Reform UK leader says he would send British troops to Ukraine as part of a UN peacekeeping force if he gains power.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c051z2dm357o?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c051z2dm357o?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

## ***Keir Starmer***

Revealed: How Prince Andrew and the 'spy chief' at the heart of China scandal met at least three times... as **Starmer** is rebuked by the MI5 boss over the collapsed case

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 16 Oct 2025 23:21:27 GMT

The Duke of York became embroiled in the scandal as pictures showed him shaking hands with the Beijing official said to have helped mastermind the Westminster espionage plot.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15199921/Prince-Andrew-spy-chief-China-scandal-met.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15199921/Prince-Andrew-spy-chief-China-scandal-met.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Government announce digital ID cards for armed forces veterans - and admit it is a dry run for **Keir Starmer's** full digital ID card scheme

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 16 Oct 2025 23:15:45 GMT

Those who have served in the armed forces are able to download a digital version of their HM Armed Forces Veteran Card through a government app from today.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15197631/Government-digital-ID-cards-armed-forces-veterans-dry-run.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15197631/Government-digital-ID-cards-armed-forces-veterans-dry-run.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Government announce digital ID cards for armed forces veterans - and admit it is a dry run for **Keir Starmer's** full digital ID card scheme - Daily Mail

Daily Mail via Google (keir starmer) · Thu, 16 Oct 2025 23:02:05 GMT

Government announce digital ID cards for armed forces veterans - and admit it is a dry run for Keir Starmer's full digital ID card scheme &nbsp;&nbsp;  Daily Mail

<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMisgFBVV95cUxNQ1daYThuMndDQIBRTTVsNGVLeWRJelZSNFFkei0tSzFCdIA0YVpZV3EydExyVUZxMF9JTngwcU1zaXJCVGo1YklOYjY0ZGZhWmM2alpSY3MxYUtlZ0xCV09ELWUUYy1HYi05T0FqYnktMWFKMEZek5iN3NsRnNYM0xsS1MzamNqUUISSVlqejR3TEJLMIZ6MVB3VmN0QUcxa0lIRmJDejN6MWppSndmb3d30gG3AUFVX3lxTE8zWndINTZqa3IYOFJfM1lXXzZ6ZHIsc2Y4b29KUHIitN0N1dU5XTTgwSmZYbFV4RTV0eXZ0dDVuSExjdHZ5X0ZPeGQ2azFjTkpHQ1BETGxYeDZRbTdwU0JYajgyRGh3THNLQnhIM1hJYnk2MXp2LW1sV1JydkdzOXVWcTYxOFRIQlJpRzhTTIRvbTRrd1otNk8tX3hhRU5fQ1dJTmxJakxlb0FSY0dDWfEb09CWkQwWQ?oc=5>

Ministers under fire after it emerges Home Office knew LAST WEEK that Israeli football fans could be banned from attending match in Birmingham but did nothing to intervene - as pressure grows on police to U-turn

Daily Mail (Articles) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 15:24:09 +0100

Sir Keir Starmer is applying major pressure on police to reverse the decision. But it emerged today that the Home Office was 'briefed last week' about it and did nothing.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15201819/Pressure-police-ban-fans-Israeli-football-fans-Aston-Villa.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15201819/Pressure-police-ban-fans-Israeli-football-fans-Aston-Villa.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

NHS could ban staff from wearing pro-Palestine badges - while allowing other religious symbols, such as a cross or Star of David, to be worn

Daily Mail (UK News) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 15:01:27 GMT

New guidelines on NHS uniforms will be issued as Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer announced a review of antisemitism within the health service.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15201447/NHS-ban-staff-Palestine-badges-religious-symbols-allowed.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15201447/NHS-ban-staff-Palestine-badges-religious-symbols-allowed.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Two Ukrainian men accused of **Keir Starmer** arson attacks plead not guilty

Financial Times (World) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 13:54:51 GMT

Trial scheduled for April next year in relation to three fires in May, including one at PM's family home in north London

<https://www.ft.com/content/d197c14a-1c39-4063-88bc-56e5d0c76123>

UK ministers ordered to work on overturning ban of Maccabi Tel Aviv fans from Aston Villa game

Financial Times (World) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 13:41:00 GMT

Prime Minister Keir Starmer says police should ensure all fans can enjoy the match

<https://www.ft.com/content/4df9a131-312f-4eef-93ef-5e6ebf244b26>

Two men plead not guilty over fires at homes linked to PM

BBC (UK) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 13:28:12 GMT

The charges relate to a vehicle fire and blazes at properties linked to Sir Keir Starmer.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c5ypmenlzddo?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c5ypmenlzddo?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

China threatens UK with 'consequences' over delayed London mega embassy

Guardian (UK News) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 12:50:20 GMT

Diplomatic tensions escalate amid rows over planning hold-ups and collapse of spying trial UK politics live – latest updates Tensions between Britain and China have escalated after Beijing criticised further delays

to a planning decision on its proposed “mega embassy” in London. China’s ministry of foreign affairs expr  
<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2025/oct/17/china-accuses-uk-of-bad-faith-over-delayed-embassy-project>

Why are Maccabi Tel Aviv fans banned from Aston Villa game and why is it controversial?

Independent (News) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 12:32:02 GMT

Prime minister Sir Keir Starmer has criticised the decision over the Europa League match next month

<https://www.independent.co.uk/sport/football/aston-villa-maccabi-tel-aviv-fans-banned-why-b2847277.html>

**Starmer** doing ‘everything in his power’ to overturn ban on Maccabi Tel Aviv fans attending Aston Villa game

Independent (News) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 12:12:42 GMT

Supporters of Israeli club were blocked from attending Europa League tie in Birmingham due to safety fears

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/starmer-maccabi-tel-aviv-fans-banned-aston-villa-b2846938.html>

Refusal of super embassy would have consequences, China warns **Starmer** - The Times

The Times (Google) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 11:50:01 GMT

Refusal of super embassy would have consequences, China warns Starmer &nbsp;&nbsp;  The Times

<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMilAFBVV95cUxNTlInOGFGS0ZPNVMzZWxvN1d3UIRyZUNyTE1FSEVNSzU5cHVRbVJxRUJqU2RWeEtyNIJwSVNZZktUM1dnaHdCUGptNENkVjVubVRlODNJWnh4TDFXakRFN1VidXVsN0JDWHgxYjVybZBrblU5aE9qT1hbb2MwOENiWIV4UVRRTTJNdGVpNEJRUjdmWlow?oc=5>

The violent Amsterdam football riot that led police to fear clashes at Aston Villa-Maccabi Tel Aviv match

Independent (News) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 10:57:28 GMT

Keir Starmer has criticised the ban and said ‘we will not tolerate antisemitism on our streets’

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/europe/aston-villa-maccabi-ban-amsterdam-football-riot-b2847167.html>

China threatens ‘consequences’ over London embassy delay

City AM (News) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 09:12:23 +0000

China has unleashed a threat of ‘consequences’ over the latest delay to approving its application for a highly controversial new embassy at the Royal Mint Court site in London, amid escalating diplomatic tensions between the UK and the world’s second largest economy. Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Lin J

<https://www.cityam.com/china-threatens-consequences-over-london-embassy-delay/>

MI5 chief piles pressure on **Keir Starmer** over spy crisis

Independent (Politics) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 06:04:54 GMT

MI5 chief expresses ‘frustration’ at failure to prosecute two men accused of passing intelligence from parliament to Beijing as he reveals UK faces ‘daily’ national security threats from China

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/china-spy-mi5-starmer-witness-statement-b2846601.html>

**Kemi Badenoch**

— no mentions today —

**John Swinney**

Is the Scottish government softening on oil and gas?

BBC (Politics) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 13:04:28 GMT

Has John Swinney shifted the Scottish government away from a "presumption against" new oil and gas?

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/crl2nwk7424o?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/crl2nwk7424o?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

## ***Ed Davey***

The 8 things that instantly make a bathroom look cheap and tacky, by a leading interiors editor. These are the things your friends judge you for when they come round... and I'll bet anything you're guilty of at least one

Daily Mail (Articles) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 17:14:15 +0100

Whether you're curating a calm oasis or just trying to make it look like you have your life together, some common decorating choices can instantly cheapen the vibe of a bathroom.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/home/you/article-15201961/The-8-things-instantly-make-bathroom-look-cheap-tacky-leading-interiors-editor-things-friends-judge-you-come-round-Ill-bet-youre-guilty-one.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/home/you/article-15201961/The-8-things-instantly-make-bathroom-look-cheap-tacky-leading-interiors-editor-things-friends-judge-you-come-round-Ill-bet-youre-guilty-one.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

The girl who was raped and murdered by migrant who was 'supposed to have returned to Algeria': Family walk out as court is shown photos of Lola Daviet squashed into trunk killer had used to drag her body around Paris

Daily Mail (UK News) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 16:30:26 GMT

Lola Daviet was lured into an apartment in Paris by Dahbia Benkired, 27, who severed her head as revenge for the girl's mother refusing to give the migrant a pass key to an apartment block.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15202095/The-girl-raped-murdered-migrant-supposed-returned-Algeria-Family-walk-court-shown-photos-Lola-Daviet-squashed-trunk-killer-used-drag-body-Paris.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15202095/The-girl-raped-murdered-migrant-supposed-returned-Algeria-Family-walk-court-shown-photos-Lola-Daviet-squashed-trunk-killer-used-drag-body-Paris.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Martin Lewis says free device 'can save you £50'

Daily Mirror (News) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 15:14:31 +0000

Martin Lewis often highlights simple changes you can make at home to save on energy bills

<https://www.mirror.co.uk/money/martin-lewis-says-free-device-36077940>

Celebrity Traitors fans rage 'this is criminal' as they blast BBC for 'the one thing spoiling the series' - but have YOU noticed it yet?

Daily Mail (Articles) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 10:29:10 +0100

The popular reality gameshow, which returned with its first ever instalment for famous faces earlier this month, has already rolled out four episodes since its debut.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/tv/article-15201035/celebrity-traitors-bbc-episodes-wednesday-thursday.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/tv/article-15201035/celebrity-traitors-bbc-episodes-wednesday-thursday.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

Teenager is killed in 'frenzied' knife attack on his head, eyes and chest at Irish refugee centre as Somali youth faces questioning

Daily Mail (UK News) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 08:24:00 GMT

Vadym Davydenko, 17, was stabbed to death with a kitchen knife at a Tusla refugee centre in north Dublin on Wednesday morning.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15201009/Teenager-killed-frenzied-knife-attack-head-eyes-chest-Irish-refugee-centre-Somali-youth-faces-questioning.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15201009/Teenager-killed-frenzied-knife-attack-head-eyes-chest-Irish-refugee-centre-Somali-youth-faces-questioning.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

## ***Rhun Ap Iorwerth***

— no mentions today —

## ***Mary Lou McDonald***

— no mentions today —

## ***Gavin Robinson***

Davina McCall rocks a bold 80s look in a fun new campaign to promote Menopause Awareness Month alongside Morgana Robinson

Daily Mail (Articles) · Fri, 17 Oct 2025 15:23:58 +0100

Davina McCall looked barely recognisable in a bold 1980s look as she starred in a fun new campaign alongside Morgana Robinson for Menopause Awareness Month.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/tvshowbiz/article-15201685/Davina-McCall-transformation-campaign-menopause.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/tvshowbiz/article-15201685/Davina-McCall-transformation-campaign-menopause.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)