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## ***Nigel Farage***

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Labour peer accuses Shabana Mahmood of 'using children as a weapon' in her asylum crackdown - latest

Independent (News) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 10:02:03 GMT

Comes as home secretary tells Nigel Farage and Tommy Robinson to 'sod off'

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/labour-starmer-mahmood-asylum-seekers-cabinet-latest-news-b2867118.html>

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Shabana Mahmood tells **Nigel Farage** to 'sod off' after invite to join Reform

Independent (News) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 09:48:10 GMT

It came after Nigel Farage said the home secretary sounds like a Reform supporter following her controversial proposals to overhaul the asylum system

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/shabana-mahmood-nigel-farage-sod-off-reform-migration-b2867262.html>

**Nigel Farage** speech LIVE: Reform UK leader 'risks trade war' over major benefit cut plans

Daily Mirror (News) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 09:31:17 +0000

Reform leader is holding a press conference to say he would end Universal Credit payments for EU citizens - leading to warnings it would spark a trade war and push up prices

<https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/politics/nigel-farage-speech-live-reform-36263667>

**NIGEL FARAGE:** It's a lie to say Reform wants to abolish the BBC. But we DO want to scrap the licence fee - and end its culture of sneering at our country

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 08:24:45 GMT

For years, the ■awed BBC has lurched from crisis to crisis, scandal to scandal, writes NIGEL FARAGE. In truth, the organisation is rotten to the core.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-15299951/nigel-farage-reform-uk-licence-fee-bbc.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-15299951/nigel-farage-reform-uk-licence-fee-bbc.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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Most Reform UK voters would back wealth tax on very rich, poll suggests

Guardian (Politics) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 06:00:27 GMT

Exclusive: Best for Britain thinktank says the figures show Nigel Farage is 'out of step with his base' on taxation A majority of potential Reform UK voters would back a one-off wealth tax on the very rich, polling suggests, with about three-quarters supporting windfall taxes on energy companies and banks. The figures,

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2025/nov/18/most-reform-uk-voters-would-back-wealth-tax-on-very-rich-poll-suggests>

US government needs overhaul to compete with China, panel says

Financial Times (World) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 05:01:08 GMT

Congressional commission says 'fragmented approach' hampering Washington's response to Beijing

<https://www.ft.com/content/854259de-09f6-4676-a4d7-2042866d7c4c>

**Nigel Farage:** It's time to end the BBC's 'appallingly regressive' licence fee

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 03:27:00 GMT

Nigel Farage branded the broadcaster 'rotten to the core', claiming it has become a 'byword for sleaze, hypocrisy, arrogance, anti-Semitism and worse' as it fights for its future.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15300759/Nigel-Farage-time-end-BBCs-appallingly-regressive-licence-fee.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15300759/Nigel-Farage-time-end-BBCs-appallingly-regressive-licence-fee.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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**Farage** tells Reeves to avoid tax rises for hard-working Britons and fill £25billion Budget black hole by slashing overseas aid, restricting benefits for migrants and deporting foreign criminals

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 02:52:14 GMT

Nigel Farage will demand that Rachel Reeves avoid increasing taxes at the Budget by imposing major spending cuts to prioritise British citizens instead.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15299421/Farage-tells-Reeves-avoid-tax-rises-hard-working-Britons-25billion-Budget-black-hole.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15299421/Farage-tells-Reeves-avoid-tax-rises-hard-working-Britons-25billion-Budget-black-hole.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

**Nigel Farage** blasts Rachel Reeves's £25bn black hole plan: 'Remove unaffordable luxury'

Daily Express (News) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 02:37:00 +0000

Nigel Farage is stirring the pot again with a radical proposal that could reshape the UK's financial landscape. What does this mean for public finances?

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/uk/2135153/nigel-farage-blasts-rachel-reeves>

## **Keir Starmer**

Labour disintegrates on immigration as gleeful Greens surge in the polls and dozens of **Starmer's** MPs turn on him

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 10:01:35 GMT

Dozens of backbenchers look set to try to block Shabana Mahmood's plans despite her pleading that they are the only way to restore public faith and stop Reform.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15301265/Labour-eats-immigration-Dozens-MPs-poised-revolt-against-asylum-crackdown-Shabana-Mahmood-warns-broken-on.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15301265/Labour-eats-immigration-Dozens-MPs-poised-revolt-against-asylum-crackdown-Shabana-Mahmood-warns-broken-on.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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## CEOs say Reeves and **Starmer** are not doing enough – BGF boss

City AM (News) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 09:25:56 +0000

Business leaders across the country feel the Labour government “certainly does not appear to be doing enough” to support them, the chief executive of investment giant BGF has said. Speaking on an up-coming episode of City AM’s Boardroom Uncovered podcast, Andy Gregory said a recent survey of BGF’s portfolio has revealed

<https://www.cityam.com/ceos-say-reeves-and-starmer-are-not-doing-enough-bgf-boss/>

## **Keir Starmer** in leadership crisis as almost half of Labour voters want him out

Daily Express (Politics) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 08:42:00 +0000

Bombshell poll shows 45% of the party’s backers in 2024 say the PM should not be the leader at the next election

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2135198/keir-starmer-labour-leadership>

## **Starmer** says he will lead Labour into next election

BBC (UK) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 06:02:11 GMT

Despite speculation about challenges to his leadership, the prime minister says he is “utterly focused” on the cost of living.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c07m4znzkz5o?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c07m4znzkz5o?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

## Now is not the time for a Labour leadership election | Polly Toynbee

Guardian (Politics) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 06:00:25 GMT

The focus should be on talking up this government’s achievements so far – and preventing a Reform victory The dominant political force sweeping across Europe is the “throw the bastards out” party, whoever happens to be in power. Discontent and distrust spread as global democracy declines. Only 6.6% of the world’s people

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2025/nov/18/labour-leadership-election-keir-starmer-wes-streetering>

'I'm going nowhere': **Keir Starmer** insists he will be PM at next election - despite poll showing nearly half of Labour voters want him out

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 03:15:51 GMT

A YouGov survey of 2,100 people found 23 per cent think the party leader should quit now and elect someone else.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15300385/Keir-Starmer-PM-election-poll-half-Labour-voters.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15300385/Keir-Starmer-PM-election-poll-half-Labour-voters.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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Daily Mail via Google (keir starmer) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 02:06:00 GMT

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## **John Swinney**

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## **Ed Davey**

Britain's biggest Walter Mittys: The shameless fantasists who invented tales of bravery and wore fake medals to get adulation from the unsuspecting public

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 08:49:53 GMT

The latest alleged fake veteran incident has led to calls for a new law - the Stolen Valour Act - to make pretending to be a war hero a specific crime .

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15297871/Britains-biggest-Walter-Mittys-shameless-fantasists.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15297871/Britains-biggest-Walter-Mittys-shameless-fantasists.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

## **Rhun Ap Iorwerth**

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## **Mary Lou McDonald**

**McDonald's** announces permanent Happy Meal change from November 19

Daily Mirror (News) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 09:42:47 +0000

The popular children's meal is getting an permanent upgrade this month

<https://www.mirror.co.uk/lifestyle/food-drink/mcdonalds-announces-permanent-happy-meal-36263704>

Trump returns to **McDonald's** golden arches after election bloodbath forces affordability reckoning

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 08:48:15 GMT

President Donald Trump demanded that Republicans focus on rising costs as Americans increasingly feel economic pressures hit their wallets.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15298899/trump-latest-mcdonalds-inspired-stunt.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15298899/trump-latest-mcdonalds-inspired-stunt.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Photos show scenes from Nigeria, where widespread violence affects both Christians and Muslims

Independent (News) · Tue, 18 Nov 2025 05:19:33 GMT

Much of northern Nigeria has been struck by conflict in an ongoing security crisis, and U.S. President Donald Trump has singled the country out for what he calls "the killing of Christians" by "radical Islamists ."

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/nigeria-christians-donald-trump-islamists-b2867143.html>

## ***Gavin Robinson***

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