

Summary of Today's News

Local elections: Lib Dems benefit as voters snub Tories and Labour

Voters have turned away from the two main parties in a sign the public is fed up of the Brexit turmoil at Westminster.

Mr Corbyn said "of course" the party wanted to do better, but the results were a "basis" to win marginal seats in the next general election. Conservative MP Chris Philp claimed his party had done "unusually well" four years ago and explained his party's performance on Thursday as coming at a time when it is "trying to resolve the most difficult constitutional issue in living memory". Thursday's elections precede European Parliament polls later this month, when both the Brexit Party and Change UK - who did not stand candidates in the local ballots - will also look to exploit voters' dissatisfaction with bigger parties.

HIV breakthrough as treatment eliminates transmission risk

People who are HIV positive and taking medication do not spread the virus when they have sex, a study has found.

Scientists studied 1,000 gay male couples - one HIV positive and taking antiretroviral drugs to suppress the virus, and the other HIV negative. Dr Brady said it was "impossible to overstate the importance of these findings", adding: "The study has given us the confidence to say, without doubt, that people living with HIV who are on effective treatment cannot pass the virus on to their sexual partners." The study is published in The Lancet medical journal.

Cyclone Fani: Two dead and more than a million evacuated as 127mph winds hit India's east coast

Two people are reported to have died and more than a million have been evacuated after Cyclone Fani made landfall on India's east coast.

An elderly died of a heart attack in a storm shelter and another was killed by a falling tree, according to reports in India. The process of landfall of #CycloneFani has begun ..extremely high wind speed ..heavy rain ..the harrowing sound ..reminds me of 1999 SupercycloneWith folded hands I pray to Lord Almighty Jaganath ji to give us the strength to endure this pic.twitter.com/BXkdNQUlM Indian politician Chowkidar Sambit Patra posted a video of the storm and wrote: "The process of landfall of #CycloneFani has begun...

Golden toilet by Cattelan to be installed at Blenheim Palace

A palace is a fitting place for a throne, and there will soon be a gold one at Blenheim Palace.

"Despite being born with a silver spoon in my mouth, I have never had a s***on a golden toilet," he told The Guardian. Writing about the toilet on the Guggenheim's website, Nancy Spector said it was a "sculptural performance of interactive art" and "laden with possible meanings".