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## **Nigel Farage**

Reform UK threatens to sue Kemi Badenoch over Suella Braverman mental health claim

Daily Express (Politics) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 14:43:00 +0000

Nigel Farage's party accuses the Tories of a "defamatory smear" and demands public apology

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2164306/reform-sue-kemi-badenoch-suella-braverman>

**Farage** is turning Reform into the very elites they despise: DAN HODGES - Daily Mail

Daily Mail via Google (nigel farage) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 10:57:45 GMT

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By taking in Tory misfits by the busload, **Nigel Farage** is turning Reform into the very elites they despise.

This is why he's doing Kemi Badenoch a great favour: DAN HODGES

Daily Mail (Articles) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 10:57:45 +0000

A couple of days ago, during her appearance on Desert Island discs, Kemi Badenoch was asked why she first joined the Conservatives.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-15506861/By-taking-Tory-misfits-busload-Nigel-Farage-turning-Reform-elite-s-despise-hes-doing-Kemi-Badenoch-great-favour-DAN-HODGES.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-15506861/By-taking-Tory-misfits-busload-Nigel-Farage-turning-Reform-elite-s-despise-hes-doing-Kemi-Badenoch-great-favour-DAN-HODGES.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

Doom loop of decline: how struggling high streets fuel far-right sympathies in UK

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 10:45:05 GMT

Retail accounts for 5% of the UK economy – but its visibility gives it an outsize influence on public perception Up and down Britain there are boarded-up shops. Banks and department stores have been replaced by vape shops, barbers and bookmakers. Shoplifting is at a record high, local services cut, and public frustrati

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2026/jan/29/doom-loop-of-decline-how-struggling-high-streets-fuel-far-right-sympathies-in-uk>

**Farage** attack on high street Turkish barber shops is dog-whistle racism, minister says

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 10:45:04 GMT

Miatta Fahnbullah accuses Reform leader of 'politics of grievance' while having no plan to fix UK high streets Doom loop of decline: how struggling high streets fuel far-right sympathies in UK | Analysis Nigel Farage's attack on Turkish barber shops amounts to dog-whistle racism without a credible plan to fix strugglin

<https://www.theguardian.com/society/2026/jan/29/farages-attack-on-turkish-barber-shops-is-dog-whistle-racism-minister-says>

The Polanski effect? These charts reveal how much the Greens have advanced

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 07:37:18 GMT

The Green party has made gains under its leader – but there is also uncertainty ahead. The Greens talk of a “Polanski effect” – a surge of momentum and visibility since Zack Polanski became leader, as the party gains attention in an increasingly fragmented political landscape. The polls offer the clearest signal so far

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/jan/29/zack-polanski-effect-charts-reveal-greens-advance>

Would it have killed Kemi to throw Tory centrists a bone?

City AM (News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 05:57:00 +0000

Speaking to City AM at the start of this week the former John Lewis boss and West Midlands mayor, Andy Street, insisted that the Tories can beat Reform if they embrace the centre-right and resist the urge to fight Nigel Farage on his own turf. The new vehicle launched to make this case is called [...]

<https://www.cityam.com/kemi-badenoch-could-have-been-nicer-about-tory-centrists/>

## **Keir Starmer**

**Starmer** announces visa-free travel to China after talks with Xi in Beijing – UK politics live

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 15:03:22 GMT

Downing Street gives no date for when the agreement of 30 days of visa-free travel will come into force. For more context on today's Starmer - Xi meeting, China is the world's second-biggest economy and Britain's third-largest trading partner – to which it exports £45bn of goods and services a year – so it is no surprise

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/live/2026/jan/29/starmer-xi-jinping-meeting-uk-china-relationship-live>

Labour on course for its worst election result in 116 YEARS as poll puts it on just 15% in Scotland ahead of Holyrood vote - with Reform set to be biggest opposition party to SNP

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 15:02:33 GMT

Against a backdrop of major dislike for Keir Starmer, Anas Sarwar's party is on course to take just 15 per cent of the vote in the Scottish Parliament election.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15509745/Labour-worst-election-result-116-YEARS-Scotland.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15509745/Labour-worst-election-result-116-YEARS-Scotland.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

China to relax travel rules for British visitors, UK says

BBC (UK) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 14:37:19 GMT

It comes as Sir Keir Starmer visits Beijing - the first UK prime minister to do so in eight years.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c150yv75pn7o?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c150yv75pn7o?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

**Xi-Starmer** meeting: Chinese leader tells PM he hopes both countries can ‘rise above differences’

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 14:02:04 GMT

China agrees visa waiver for British citizens as countries sign agreements on closer economic cooperation. UK politics live – latest updates. The Chinese leader, Xi Jinping, has said the UK's relationship with his country has gone through “twists and turns” over the years but that a more “consistent” approach is in both

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/jan/29/xi-starmer-china-uk-meeting-chinese-leader-rise-above-differences-sophisticated>

China rolls out the red carpet for **Keir Starmer**

Financial Times (World) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 13:51:45 GMT

PM holds three hours of ‘warm and constructive’ talks with Xi Jinping in bid to revitalise London-Beijing relationship

<https://www.ft.com/content/0ac69fd8-e2ab-4a94-8c64-05ed3c621ab1>

London is Labour’s last bastion

Economist (Latest) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 13:48:00 +0000

Sir Keir Starmer’s government cannot afford to take the city for granted

<https://www.economist.com/britain/2026/01/29/london-is-labours-last-bastion>

We’re both Reds! Communist Xi Jinping tells **Starmer** he prefers Labour governments and grants Brits visa-free travel - as ‘kowtowing’ PM pitches for trade in Beijing

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 13:14:57 GMT

Keir Starmer held two hours of talks with the autocratic president in Beijing in the early hours of this morning, insisting he wants a more ‘sophisticated’ relationship.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15508245/Xi-Jinping-Keir-Starmer-turns-relations-China-UK.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15508245/Xi-Jinping-Keir-Starmer-turns-relations-China-UK.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Andy Burnham says insiders at Westminster ‘don’t get licence to lie’ after byelection row

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 13:14:02 GMT

Manchester mayor takes aim at House of Commons briefing culture and says he will continue to call out liars UK politics live – latest updates Westminster insiders “do not get a licence to lie”, said Andy Burnham on Thursday, in an angry swipe at the political briefing culture in the House of Commons. After a week of po

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/jan/29/andy-burnham-westminster-politics-byelection>

AstraZeneca pledges \$15 billion China investment during **Starmer** trip

Independent (News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 13:10:46 GMT

The deal is the largest of Starmer’s visit to China as Britain seeks to strengthen ties

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/business/astrazeneca-china-investment-starmer-beijing-b2910151.html>

**Starmer** tells Xi UK wants more ‘sophisticated’ relationship with China

Financial Times (World) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 13:00:07 GMT

Two leaders meet in Beijing as both sides seek improved relations

<https://www.ft.com/content/db6ce84e-c597-4fbe-baed-419b03200831>

**Starmer**: Businesses ‘cry out’ for more trade with China

City AM (News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 12:18:47 +0000

Keir Starmer has said businesses are “crying out for ways” to export to Chinese markets as he struck a new deal for British travellers. After meeting President Xi Jinping in China, Starmer defended his government’s ambitions to boost relations with the world’s second largest economy despite questions over securit

<https://www.cityam.com/starmer-businesses-cry-out-for-more-trade-with-china/>

Lame duck **Starmer** ‘kills hopes of benefits curbs in King’s Speech’ amid fears of revolt by Labour MPs

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 12:17:21 GMT

No10 is said to have told the Department for Work and Pensions there will be no space in the legislation package - expected in May.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15508625/Keir-Starmer-benefits-curbs-Kings-Speech-revolt-Labour-MPs.html  
?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15508625/Keir-Starmer-benefits-curbs-Kings-Speech-revolt-Labour-MPs.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

How far did **Starmer's** meeting with Chinese President Xi Jinping actually go? - ITVX

ITV (Google News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 12:07:41 GMT

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<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMirwFBVV95cUxOMUpDZmJsaWs4czB5azZ1WHJUQW9VTXlaRE9BZUw1c0xqUWw4b0ZYTDBibTUzUUdUSWQ3cTdFd0FNeVgyOHk4TEhGbG1VemxxdG5QdkJKdUg3dXJHRVBPRFFzR1JCa1V6OFFDcnlwTJOVjIXYTRtbi1GSTIHN00weFhvdHVWU081My1zOTktNEptQ0lVbmQ4bW9CTFVtd1ByRIVKal8yTkQzcVVaR00w?oc=5>

The five factions in Labour - and their danger to **Starmer** rated - The i Paper

i Paper (Google News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 12:00:00 GMT

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<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMiiwFBVV95cUxOZW9uQVRXenBrTTdfRUUsxNnc0LTN1dV9wV2NVdIBtTS1YT0ExX0Y4OExHNE5MUUJGd1FkdWJ4NGpob05qczFmY0Njbnp1QzFreXICdy1KZDA3dUU3aGd5RWU1dEFpVmU1V01aTBLWnZiTnc4MFNXM19DZTZYNXRNTHN3dnNIWkQ4dG5V?oc=5>

**Starmer** signs landmark deal with China to tackle small boats crisis

Independent (News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 11:42:54 GMT

The agreement to share data is significant because 60 per cent of the engines used to power the small boats come from China

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/uk-migrant-crossings-small-boats-china-deal-b2910014.html>

How China could be blocked from building wind farms in Britain amid fears over security

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 11:35:31 GMT

Sir Keir Starmer said his Government is still considering whether or not to allow one firm, Mingyang, to set up a £1.5billion turbine manufacturing plant in Scotland.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15506525/How-China-blocked-building-wind-farms-Britain-amid-fears-security.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15506525/How-China-blocked-building-wind-farms-Britain-amid-fears-security.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Chinese car giant Chery could use JLR plant to build its cars in the UK as **Keir Starmer** travels to Beijing

Daily Mail (Articles) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 11:25:32 +0000

Chery - which is China's largest car exporter - is in talks to utilise a JLR site which is operating at 'undercapacity' to build its own brand cars, according to reports.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/money/cars/article-15504849/Chinese-car-giant-Chery-use-JLR-plant-build-cars-UK-Keir-Starmer-travels-Beijing.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/money/cars/article-15504849/Chinese-car-giant-Chery-use-JLR-plant-build-cars-UK-Keir-Starmer-travels-Beijing.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

Britons travelling to China will no longer need visas, No 10 announces after **Starmer** meeting with Xi

Independent (News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 11:10:48 GMT

Britons will be able to travel to China for 30 days without a visa under the new deal, which will apply to both tourists and business travellers

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/uk-china-visa-travel-starmer-xi-b2910047.html>

Another arrest made over fires at properties linked to **Keir Starmer**

Independent (News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 11:09:56 GMT

A fifth suspect has been arrested in connection with arson attacks on properties linked to the prime minister

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/crime/keir-starmer-house-fire-arson-arrest-b2910057.html>

Police arrest fifth man over fires at properties linked to **Starmer**

Financial Times (World) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 11:01:52 GMT

Nineteen-year-old held on suspicion of conspiracy to commit arson

<https://www.ft.com/content/13a64bc7-471b-4d19-a1a0-a6f1bac2107a>

Fifth man, 19, is arrested over **Keir Starmer** arson attacks in north London

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 11:01:29 GMT

Scotland Yard said a 19-year-old male was arrested yesterday in Harlow, Essex, on suspicion of conspiracy to commit arson.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15508797/fifth-man-arrested-alleged-arson-keir-starmer.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15508797/fifth-man-arrested-alleged-arson-keir-starmer.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Andy Burnham reveals **Starmer** refused to speak to him before by-election block as Greens 'weaponise Gaza' against Labour

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 10:56:06 GMT

Andy Burnham said he would have 'preferred' to speak to the PM before he was refused permission to be Labour's candidate.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15508891/Andy-Burnham-reveals-Starmer-refused-speak-election-block-Greens-weaponise-Gaza-against-Labour.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15508891/Andy-Burnham-reveals-Starmer-refused-speak-election-block-Greens-weaponise-Gaza-against-Labour.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Fifth man, 19, is arrested over **Keir Starmer** arson attacks in north London - Daily Mail

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As **Starmer** heads to China, Brits rush to buy Chinese EVs

City AM (News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 08:43:50 +0000

A couple of years ago, I was invited to the launch of a new Chinese EV brand called Omoda. Myself and a handful of journalists showed up to an inauspicious press event in the basement of a Covent Garden hotel. In the room was parked (I'm still not sure how they got it down there) [...]

<https://www.cityam.com/as-starmer-heads-to-china-brits-rush-to-by-chinese-evs/>

ANDREW PIERCE: **Starmer**'s mistake over Burnham could finish off his wretched premiership and lead to a win for Reform

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 08:32:11 GMT

Yet another mistake by our Prime Minister, Sir Keir Starmer. But this time the error could finish off his wretched premiership for good. The Burnham debacle means Labour may lose that by-election.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15508435/Video-ANDREW-PIERCE-Starmers-mistake-finish-wretched-premiership-good.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15508435/Video-ANDREW-PIERCE-Starmers-mistake-finish-wretched-premiership-good.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

ANDREW PIERCE: **Starmer**'s mistake over Burnham could finish off his wretched premiership and lead to a win for Reform - Daily Mail

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<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMMiwgFBVV95cUxPeDVYemVuTm9MRE1sYXR6OWhWakZzOFBRa0dLMXQxcXk0M1N5U0RtbjN3d1p0ZHCKY0h4M3BwQTtheHFDaS11ai1WdvNXQ3otOE9yRkZtR0tKVFlQIRUXzZT3FUVThpdIZ6YVdxeDZBRG9MY0h4UVVwY1o2eDJFeFpEZENia3FackpYWkpoMGJNM0I3bXFxeml0RWpPSXpsM211TE52a21rbDdaSEFBMmhyWTFiZWJycnIEYTFEWGJQd9IBxwFBVV95cUxNSHFjNEZMRIFMGNFQj0RWZmbE5sUm5tb3BjeEtZSFBOZEFLdUNYOTlrMFByakpXakNweDdtRGZUAEZJQUtIlVEtZWEzVmVCaUJENXB1SHFIamFDSUVfQVlyWWM2WG9OMHoyVEDpcnFPeWZzc3Nmb2hURVNHbndfUU1wTWoydDVSMIRFcTJUc0JOVzFiRnQ2ZHdNOXBJUGFXTXNjT3RsRXFocHdBSF9INVZlaHJTdnA0aHdleFNYb19odW9Ob0dJ?oc=5>

We're both Reds! Communist Xi Jinping tells **Starmer** he prefers Labour governments and grants Brits visa-free travel - as 'kowtowing' PM pitches for trade in Beijing - Daily Mail

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'Kowtow Keir' **Starmer** defends 'naive' decision to cosy up to China - as he gifts Man Utd-loving dictator Xi Jinping a prized match ball

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Sir Keir is due to meet President Xi in the small hours of Thursday morning after becoming the first British PM to travel to China in eight years.

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A couple of days ago, during her appearance on Desert Island discs, Kemi Badenoch was asked why she first joined the Conservatives.

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I won't be blown off course, vows Kemi, as she slaps down defectors 'having tantrums' and new Tory centrists

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 08:09:15 GMT

In a speech on Wednesday, Kemi Badenoch likened the recent wave of high-profile defectors to Reform to children 'having tantrums'

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15506471/I-wont-blown-course-vows-Kemi-slaps-defectors.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15506471/I-wont-blown-course-vows-Kemi-slaps-defectors.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Would it have killed Kemi to throw Tory centrists a bone?

City AM (News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 05:57:00 +0000

Speaking to City AM at the start of this week the former John Lewis boss and West Midlands mayor, Andy Street, insisted that the Tories can beat Reform if they embrace the centre-right and resist the urge to fight Nigel Farage on his own turf. The new vehicle launched to make this case is called [...]

<https://www.cityam.com/kemi-badenoch-could-have-been-nicer-about-tory-centrists/>

## **John Swinney**

— no mentions today —

## **Ed Davey**

Daughter's horror as British Airways 'demands dad's death certificate for flight refund' - despite him still being alive

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 11:29:47 GMT

Liz Horne was on holiday with her husband in Chiang Mai, Thailand when she was told that her dad was gravely ill. She decided to take the first flight back home to be with him.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/travel/article-15508545/daughter-horror-british-airways-demand-death-certificate-refund-man-alive.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/travel/article-15508545/daughter-horror-british-airways-demand-death-certificate-refund-man-alive.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Was King Charles right to put pressure on President Trump to withdraw comments about Afghanistan?  
Have your say in the Palace Confidential poll

Daily Mail (Articles) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 08:10:38 +0000

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

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/royals/article-15504765/King-Charles-President-Trump-Afghanistan-Palace-Confidential-poll.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/royals/article-15504765/King-Charles-President-Trump-Afghanistan-Palace-Confidential-poll.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

## **Rhun Ap Iorwerth**

— no mentions today —

## **Mary Lou Mcdonald**

What IS logorrhoea? Truth about the worrying speech condition that medics claim Donald Trump is suffering from that's linked to psychiatric problems

Daily Mail (Articles) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 12:39:44 +0000

The speculation comes after a string of recent public appearances in which the 79-year-old President has appeared to lose his thread, veer into strange digressions and muddle basic details.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/health/article-15508607/logorrhea-medics-accuse-Donald-Trump-speech-mental-health-is-sues.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/health/article-15508607/logorrhea-medics-accuse-Donald-Trump-speech-mental-health-is-sues.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

Donald Trump's chilling threat to Iran: President says his 'beautiful armada' of warships are ready to attack - while Tehran claims it will respond like never before

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 29 Jan 2026 08:51:59 GMT

As the US President's 'beautiful armada' of warships moved into position, the Tehran regime said any attack would be 'an act of war'.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15507469/Donald-Trumps-chilling-threat-Iran-President.html?ns\\_mchannel=ss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15507469/Donald-Trumps-chilling-threat-Iran-President.html?ns_mchannel=ss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

## **Gavin Robinson**

— no mentions today —