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## ***Nigel Farage***

Reform UK is morphing into the uniparty – **Nigel Farage** gives us 20 examples how

Daily Express (Politics) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 11:00:00 +0000

If Reform UK are supposed to be the alternative, they've a funny way of showing it.

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2157031/reform-uk-morphing-into-uniparty>

ANDREW PIERCE: Zahawi said he'd be a Tory until he died. So why has he ended up with **Farage**? The answer tells you everything about the Tories' decline

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 10:55:21 GMT

The defection of Nadhim Zahawi from the Conservative Party to Reform UK is one of the most significant since Nigel Farage took over Reform.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15459105/Video-ANDREW-PIERCE-Zahawi-said-hed-Tory-died-ended-Farage-answer-tells-you-Tories-decline.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15459105/Video-ANDREW-PIERCE-Zahawi-said-hed-Tory-died-ended-Farage-answer-tells-you-Tories-decline.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Nadhim Zahawi joining Reform shrinks the **Farage** 'fear' factor

Financial Times (World) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 09:30:02 GMT

Defection helps rightwing party by making it less scary and more viable in era of bloc-based politics

<https://www.ft.com/content/6a9c795d-849f-4ad7-846e-09a623d6911d>

Reform take their biggest Tory scalp: Conservatives say ex-chancellor only defected after 'begging' in vain for peerage

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 03:09:13 GMT

In a move that took Westminster by surprise, Nadhim Zahawi announced that Britain needs Nigel Farage as PM - despite previously branding him 'racist'.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15457835/Reform-Tory-scalp-Conservatives-chancellor.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15457835/Reform-Tory-scalp-Conservatives-chancellor.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

**Nigel Farage** hails 'freedom fighters' as he joins protest against Iranian regime outside embassy - while death toll from demonstrations in the Islamic Republic continues to rise

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 02:04:18 GMT

The leader of Reform was spotted speaking at the demonstration outside the embassy earlier today to cheers from crowds of people.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15457085/Nigel-Farage-hails-freedom-fighters-protest-Iranian-regime.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15457085/Nigel-Farage-hails-freedom-fighters-protest-Iranian-regime.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

## ***Keir Starmer***

Send army into Tunbridge Wells to fix water crisis, **Starmer** told

Independent (News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 11:09:23 GMT

It is the second time in two months that Tunbridge Wells has been affected by outages



The new Chinese embassy in London is set to get the green light from Keir Starmer this week, according to reports, amid fresh questions around security concerns were raised on Monday night. The new mega embassy at the Royal Mint Court near the City of London is expected to get the Prime Minister's sign-off ahead [...]

<https://www.cityam.com/chinese-embassy-to-get-green-light-despite-fresh-scrutiny/>

Wes Streeting attacks centre-left for 'excuses culture' of blaming civil service

Guardian (UK News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 10:00:41 GMT

In remarks that will be seen as criticism of Starmer allies, health secretary says own side are helping right 'roll the pitch' UK politics live – latest updates Wes Streeting has criticised the centre-left of politics for an "excuses culture" which blames Whitehall and stakeholders for the slow pace of change, saying p

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/jan/13/wes-streeting-excuses-culture-blaming-civil-service>

Labour MPs pour new pressure on **Keir Starmer** to block new Chinese mega-embassy in London amid claims PM will approve controversial building in sensitive location this week

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 09:56:45 GMT

The MPs, including Sarah Champion - who is a member of parliament's Joint Committee on the National Security Strategy, said concerns about the proposal are 'significant and unresolved'.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15458763/Labour-MPs-pressure-Keir-Starmer-block-new-Chinese-mega-embassy-London.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15458763/Labour-MPs-pressure-Keir-Starmer-block-new-Chinese-mega-embassy-London.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

**Starmer** jokes 'lookalike' IKEA worker should stand in for him at Prime Minister's Questions

Independent (News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 09:38:59 GMT

Sir Keir Starmer joked with an IKEA worker that he should stand in for him at Prime Minister's Questions on Wednesday.

<https://www.independent.co.uk/tv/news/keir-starmer-lookalike-video-ikea-pmq-b2899395.html>

Labour MPs call for planned Chinese 'mega-embassy' in London to be axed

Independent (News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 07:30:39 GMT

Sir Keir Starmer is reportedly set to approve the proposal ahead of his trip to China

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/keir-starmer-china-embassy-plans-london-mps-b2899326.html>

When crowds direct offensive chants at **Keir Starmer**, who's to blame? I'm afraid he is | Jonathan Liew

Guardian (Politics) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 06:00:25 GMT

The PM's technocrat tendencies and lack of obvious backbone make him a target for amorphous rage  
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<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2026/jan/13/crowds-offensive-chants-keir-starmer>

X could 'lose right to self regulate', says **Starmer**

BBC (UK) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 03:34:43 GMT

It is currently illegal to share deepfakes, but the law against creating them has not yet come into force.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cq845glnvl1o?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cq845glnvl1o?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

**Starmer** warns Elon Musk if he cannot control nude deepfakes then 'we will' after AI chatbot Grok was used to 'undress' women and children

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 02:53:58 GMT

Keir Starmer last night warned Elon Musk to shut down an AI tool allowing users to create 'disgusting' images on his social media site, saying: 'If X cannot control Grok, we will.'

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15457829/Starmer-warns-Elon-Musk-control-nude-deepfakes-AI-chatbot-Grok-used-undress-women-children.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15457829/Starmer-warns-Elon-Musk-control-nude-deepfakes-AI-chatbot-Grok-used-undress-women-children.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Labour's housebuilding failures laid bare: New build construction plummets under Sir **Keir Starmer** - as London developments fall more than half in a year

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 01:23:29 GMT

Sir Keir Starmer has 'close to zero' chance of hitting his housebuilding targets, it was claimed today, as analysis of official figures revealed construction has plummeted nationwide under Labour's watch.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15456059/labour-house-building-failures-crashes-sir-keir-starmer.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15456059/labour-house-building-failures-crashes-sir-keir-starmer.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

## **Kemi Badenoch**

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## **John Swinney**

The Premium Bonds winners in Iran, Russia and Syria who have scooped £17,400 in prizes since 2020

Daily Mail (Articles) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 07:00:59 +0000

Overseas Premium Bonds holders across the globe have bagged thousands of pounds worth of Premium Bonds prizes.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/money/saving/article-15455901/The-Premium-Bonds-winners-Iran-Russia-Syria-scooped-17-400-prizes-2020.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/money/saving/article-15455901/The-Premium-Bonds-winners-Iran-Russia-Syria-scooped-17-400-prizes-2020.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

Give us a break, First Minister! **Swinney** urged to ease tax burden on hard working Scots ahead of budget

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 00:38:20 GMT

Pressure is growing on SNP ministers to give Scots a much-needed break from the strain on their finances by reducing the tax burden in today's Budget.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15457185/Give-break-Minister-Swinney-urged-ease-tax-burden-hard-working-Scots-ahead-budget.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15457185/Give-break-Minister-Swinney-urged-ease-tax-burden-hard-working-Scots-ahead-budget.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

## **Ed Davey**

Wes Streeting criticises Labour colleagues who blame Whitehall for blocking reform – UK politics live

Guardian (UK News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 11:06:36 GMT

Health secretary says: 'If we tell the public that we can't make anything work, then why on earth would they vote to keep us in charge' Q: Why are the Liberal Democrats still using X? Davey says he is not afraid to pick a fight with Elon Musk. He says Musk has interfered in British democracy "in the most outrageous way

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/live/2026/jan/13/uk-politics-latest-news-labour-conservatives-keir-starmer>

World's biggest iceberg turns BLUE as it rapidly heads towards complete disintegration in South Atlantic 'graveyard'

Daily Mail (Articles) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 10:46:54 +0000

The world's biggest iceberg has turned bright blue, as scientists warn this transformation heralds its imminent disintegration.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-15458743/Worlds-biggest-iceberg-turns-BLUE.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-15458743/Worlds-biggest-iceberg-turns-BLUE.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

Moment shameless paedophile 'tries to groom police officers' and goads them to 'keep digging' after being arrested for targeting dozens of boys

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 07:03:42 GMT

Jay Lang, 24, of Canvey Island, Essex, got dozens of young boys to send him indecent pictures of themselves, before blackmailing them into sending more explicit images or cash.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15456469/Moment-shameless-paedophile-tries-groom-police.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15456469/Moment-shameless-paedophile-tries-groom-police.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

## ***Rhun Ap Iorwerth***

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## ***Mary Lou McDonald***

Global central banks offer 'full solidarity' to US Fed's Powell amid Trump threats

Guardian (UK News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 11:08:07 GMT

Nine governors including Bank of England's Andrew Bailey and ECB's Christine Lagarde say independence is critical Business live – latest updates Global central banks have issued an extraordinary joint statement offering “full solidarity” to US Federal Reserve chair Jerome Powell, in the face of the latest threat to his

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2026/jan/13/central-banks-us-fed-powell-trump-bank-of-england-ecb>

**McDonald's** plans big menu changes in 2026 including its biggest burger ever

Independent (News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 04:59:42 GMT

The Big Arch may be making its U.S. debut this year

<https://www.independent.co.uk/life-style/mcdonalds-menu-2026-biggest-burger-big-arch-b2899279.html>

Donald Trump has surprise phone call with Elizabeth Warren after she challenged him... as senator reveals details of their chat

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 13 Jan 2026 04:23:21 GMT

Donald Trump called Elizabeth Warren Monday for a surprisingly friendly chat about lower costs for working class Americans.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15457689/Donald-Trump-phone-call-Elizabeth-Warren.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15457689/Donald-Trump-phone-call-Elizabeth-Warren.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

## ***Gavin Robinson***

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