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Investigators focus on Annie Guthrie's house in search for mom Nancy as flashes are seen from garage and 'silver briefcase' emerges from unmarked police vehicle

Daily Mail (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 13:23:20 GMT

As the search for Nancy Guthrie, 84, stretched past its seventh day, law enforcement returned to her daughter's Annie's home in Tucson, Arizona on Saturday night to seize new evidence.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15539577/Investigators-focus-Annie-Guthries-house-search-mom-Nancy-flashes-seen-garage-silver-briefcase-emerges-unmarked-police-vehicle.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

'A pollster's nightmare': stakes are high in three-way fight for Gorton and Denton

Guardian (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 12:00:31 GMT

Labour faces a battle to hold on to its 13,000 majority, with the Greens the bookies' favourite and Reform hoping to gain from split vote on left As Nigel Farage cut the ribbon on Reform UK's byelection headquarters in Greater Manchester this week, Labour's candidate, Angeliki Stogia, sat tearfully in a cafe nearby. Po

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/feb/08/gorton-denton-byelections-battle-labour-green-reform>

Keir Starmer

Keir Starmer's chief of staff Morgan McSweeney quits after Mandelson scandal

Daily Mirror (News) · Sun, 8 Feb 2026 14:24:27 +0000

The Prime Minister's chief of staff, Morgan McSweeney, has said quitting was 'the only honourable course' amid growing pressure

<https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/politics/breaking-keir-starmer-chief-staff-36689213>

Morgan McSweeney's resignation statement in full as **Starmer's** chief of staff quits over Mandelson scandal

Independent (Politics) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 15:25:59 GMT

'In public life responsibility must be owned when it matters most... In the circumstances, the only honourable course is to step aside'

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/morgan-mcsweeney-starmer-chief-of-staff-resignation-mandelson-b2916241.html>

Mandelson-**Starmer** latest: Morgan McSweeney resigns as PM's chief of staff over US ambassador scandal

Independent (News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 15:18:19 GMT

Starmer's chief of staff said he took 'full responsibility' for the advice to appoint Lord Mandelson

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/starmer-mcsweeney-resigns-mandelson-epstein-labour-latest-news-b2916240.html>

Starmer's chief of staff Morgan McSweeney resigns from government as scandal over Lord Mandelson's appointment continues to rage

Daily Mail (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 15:18:13 GMT

Morgan McSweeney, who has been Sir Keir's closest aide for nearly six years, today resigned after pushing for the appointment of Lord Mandelson as US ambassador.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15540165/Starmer's-chief-staff-Morgan-McSweeney-resigns-government-scandal-Lord-Mandelsons-appointment-continues-rage.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

Morgan McSweeney quits as **Keir Starmer's** Downing Street chief of staff over Mandelson scandal

Independent (News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 15:17:53 GMT

The departure of the man responsible for putting Keir Starmer into Downing Street is a serious blow to the government and leaves Keir Starmer exposed

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/morgan-mcsweeney-quits-mandelson-keir-starmer-labour-b2913172.html>

Morgan McSweeney says he takes 'full responsibility' for advising **Starmer** to appoint Mandelson – UK politics live

Guardian (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 15:14:12 GMT

McSweeney, who masterminded landslide 2024 election win, resigns as PM's chief of staff after Mandelson revelations Morgan McSweeney resigns as Keir Starmer's chief of staff Speaking to Sky News this morning, Conservative shadow minister Alex Burghart said: This administration under Keir Starmer has failed . It has U-t

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/live/2026/feb/08/peter-mandelson-payoff-keir-starmer-jeffrey-epstein-ambassador-uk-politics-live-news-updates>

Morgan McSweeney resigns as Downing Street chief of staff

Financial Times (UK) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 15:02:45 GMT

Exit of Mandelson protégé comes as Keir Starmer seeks to stave off leadership speculation

<https://www.ft.com/content/af753c0f-cb24-4ff2-9630-c5095c58b038>

Keir Starmer breaks silence on Morgan McSweeney resignation

Daily Express (Politics) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 14:59:00 +0000

Prime Minister issues statement after his right-hand man quits over Mandelson fiasco

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2168293/keir-starmer-morgan-mcsweeney-resignation>

Tories demand probe into **Keir Starmer's** meeting with tech giant Palantir - a client of Peter Mandelson's lobbying firm - ahead of it winning £240m defence contract

Daily Mail (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 14:51:12 GMT

The Prime Minister and Lord Mandelson, who at the time was Britain's ambassador to the US, visited Palantir's offices in Washington DC in February 2025.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15540029/Tories-demand-probe-Keir-Starmer's-meeting-tech-giant-Palantir-client-Peter-Mandelsons-lobbying-firm-ahead-winning-240m-defence-contract.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

UK leader's chief of staff quits over appointment of Mandelson as ambassador despite Epstein ties

Independent (News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 14:40:42 GMT

British Prime Minister Keir Starmer's chief of staff has resigned over the controversy surrounding Peter Mandelson's appointment as the U.K. ambassador to the U.S. Morgan McSweeney said he advised Starmer to appoint Mandelson, despite his ties to Jeffrey Epstein

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/peter-mandelson-keir-starmer-jeffrey-epstein-morgan-mcsweeney-london-b2916238.html>

Morgan McSweeney resigns as **Keir Starmer's** chief of staff

Guardian (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 14:37:05 GMT

Longtime aide has said he takes 'full responsibility' for advising PM to appoint Peter Mandelson as US ambassador UK politics live – latest updates Morgan McSweeney, Keir Starmer's chief of staff, has quit his role as the prime minister's closest aide amid anger over his role in the appointment of Peter Mandelson as US

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/feb/08/morgan-mcsweeney-resigns-as-keir-starmer-chief-of-staff>

Morgan McSweeney: brains behind Labour's comeback undone by poor judgment

Guardian (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 14:36:45 GMT

Starmer's chief of staff, who has quit over Mandelson appointment, was accused of presiding over a toxic No 10 McSweeney resigns as PM's chief of staff UK politics live – latest updates In the early hours of 5 July 2024, Keir Starmer arrived at Tate Modern in central London to celebrate Labour's landslide election vict

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/feb/08/morgan-mcsweeney-brains-behind-labours-comeback-profile>

Starmer's chief of staff Morgan McSweeney resigns over Mandelson appointment

City AM (News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 14:32:00 +0000

The chief of staff to Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer has resigned following mounting criticism over the appointment of Peter Mandelson to the US ambassadorship. Morgan McSweeney – who succeeded Sue Gray to the post in October 2024 – said the decision to nominate Lord Mandelson as ambassador to the US was “

<https://www.cityam.com/starmers-chief-of-staff-morgan-mcsweeney-resigns-over-mandelson-appointment/>

Morgan McSweeney quits in huge new blow for **Keir Starmer**

Daily Express (Politics) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 14:23:00 +0000

The Prime Minister's right-hand man has resigned over the Lord Mandelson scandal

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2168283/morgan-mcsweeney-quits-huge-new-blow-starmer>

Defiant **Starmer** to take Labour message to country despite calls for him to quit over Mandelson

Independent (News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 14:05:33 GMT

Downing Street says PM will be 'out and about' in the coming week 'making the case for why [his] government is delivering for working people'

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/starmer-mandelson-labour-epstein-files-b2916206.html>

Tories demand probe into **Keir Starmer's** meeting with tech giant Palantir - a client of Peter Mandelson's lobbying firm - ahead of it winning £240m defence contract - dailymail.co.uk

Daily Mail via Google (keir starmer) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 13:40:59 GMT

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Union bosses call for another workers' rights push amid Labour turmoil

City AM (News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 10:49:37 +0000

Union bosses are capitalising on the turmoil across the Labour party leadership to push for another major workers' rights shakeup as Prime Minister Keir Starmer tries to fend off a rebellion from the left. The government is being urged to go beyond its manifesto commitments and hand all workers the right to guaran

<https://www.cityam.com/union-bosses-call-for-another-workers-rights-push-amid-labour-turmoil/>

Mandelson should hand back US ambassador payout, says cabinet minister

Guardian (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 10:41:23 GMT

Pressure grows on Keir Starmer as Labour peer reported to have received payment worth three months' salary when he quit in September UK politics live – latest updates A cabinet minister has called for Peter Mandelson to hand back the payout he received after quitting as ambassador to the US last year, as pressure incre

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/feb/08/peter-mandelson-should-hand-back-us-ambassador-payout-says-cabinet-minister>

Now **Starmer's** deputy turns on him: David Lammy says he warned PM over Mandelson as Keir clings to power - dailymail.co.uk

Daily Mail via Google (nigel farage) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 08:50:31 GMT

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<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMInwJBVV95cUxNeTFSeGIPaGRfUG1iTWWhwMnY4YV9BYTRwQXI1RTFPTE0tUUFibHhvR1I1eG84M1IWT0pYc3ZzNmI0OHhjUEIVZHBQNFIZVjBqRGdibXdmQ3RiOTYxeUg0MkR4bU1PcjVSaGZCWUd3R1RsbzNpOG1Oekt2dUFvYXpGeXJzX0hibmw3VUI6QUNEdTBhRGozUUI1eEFqcTF1ZEptTTJUUI9mZWtvUW5xZnF5RjRvQVlJaUtvTUdZWmRacIM2c1I4VThMNmZyNWVlaG9VNEVzLTNPdVI4X1IVYUvVadHJqNWJWFpaN1A5azRYT3E1S0hVZmw1eUdOaUhUMnFhb0hHMTJWZGZLYzFWbnpMRy1vT3A4bG1NaUVzRjFoNNIBpAJBVV95cUxQY3FXOWhiTnZUX2prcFYwZEdqM1ZLZDlmd1Q0WU9sNXJaY2V1cVVFSTBROTdwS1pGMIZTUWdmMjJScHBDa1c3Z01wQUZDRGpEcGJoaHJOVi1RanpuaFhVSvhCQ1ppZWstZEZabllqR2JtYllnaWtjTnFIVlhsMEZybDlySF9UMWVs0cncyZ3FmOU9UU3B5QkN5a0FDSEFHsk13MTI4b0pCajhHRm1VS01jSG5TVUM0LWxJT2lyUHJpJNndJOXZuNENsV1dHUIhpN0Nrcnlxc1I0bGktX2xmeU93M0ZSS1VYLUVZQUE1OEY5eEFfLV9zbDFUN1ZDVVdhYWlydEdoX3VQX1I1ODBaZjF1TjVxRmd0R3JXZTJqemNnVmcwcDNp?oc=5>

Ditch **Starmer** for a caretaker leader, Labour MPs say... as insiders claim PM's closest aide McSweeney is on brink of quitting

Daily Mail (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 07:15:33 GMT

Despairing Government backbenchers argue that unless the Prime Minister quits over the Peter Mandelson crisis, the party is heading for disaster at the Gorton and Denton by-election later this month,

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15538725/Ditch-Starmer-caretaker-leader-Labour-MPs-say-McSweeney-quitting.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

MI6 was warned of Mandelson's Russia links... so why didn't **Starmer** know when he appointed the controversial Labour grandee to be our man in Washington?

Daily Mail (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 02:18:04 GMT

Brussels intelligence sources have told this newspaper that EU security services warned their British equivalents in 2008 that Moscow was targeting Mandelson (right, with Jeffrey Epstein, left).

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15538679/MI6-warned-Mandelson-Russia-links-Starmer-appointed-controversial-Labour-grandee-Washington.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

Sadiq Khan backs **Keir Starmer** and says it would be a mistake to oust the PM as London Mayor hits out at 'arrogant' Mandelson

Daily Mail (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 01:42:58 GMT

The London Mayor today shared his view on Sir Keir's handling of the Lord Peter Mandelson fiasco and condemned the disgraced peer as 'arrogant'.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15539293/Sadiq-Khan-backs-Keir-Starmer-arrogant-Mandelson.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

Sadiq Khan backs **Keir Starmer** and says it would be a mistake to oust the PM as London Mayor hits out at 'arrogant' Mandelson - dailymail.co.uk

Daily Mail via Google (keir starmer) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 01:32:00 GMT

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<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMipgFBVV95cUxNRTZ4X2JfcUhFOGJWNII2Z2FybzdvdXJlUdXBpQkYtRWx5TkxzOXJlaHhSVE81ZG5mT3JsMHplMmpEd0hrQmRNUURYQkwtQzdpMUNFRm1XRTdROFBUUzFLR3p5U05SNkZfWG50ZmpGVW4xQ2g5dzQyeUF0VUdsMmFJTmdVV0tUYIN4NUUp6YUZGa1JFWENHc2FrdTFxTE84RUs0NnNlMmFpR0gGrAUfVX3lxTFBGM2QtdjQzTVRmak1ReHctSVRsU0NreFozeFFxMFU4bjRZMEJyaWdiU2plZWZvNm1VWmo1ZWJhLWNXckwxUXNsdmNkOUNGOXV6aXYwLS1mWHBLElBKeFdWWDVHZIPZDNNQTDtEckhzOTdtUEtreWdGV09QbjJQcU1zYkx3N0NPcINCmhtc0s0Z2pRTGF3ZHRadm9fS2VkcmlMLIIXNWk3LXQxNA?oc=5>

Brussels' Brexit revenge: EU tells Britain it must agree to 'onerous terms' if it want to join £130billion defence fund

Daily Mail (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 01:26:06 GMT

British firms will be forced to source key technology and parts from Europe if Sir Keir Starmer signs up to a £130 billion EU defence fund, The Mail on Sunday can reveal.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15538829/Brussels-Brexit-revenge-EU-Britain-agree-onerous-terms-defence-fund.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

Kemi Badenoch claims **Keir Starmer** knew about Peter Mandelson's relationship with Epstein but chose to ignore it

Daily Mail (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 01:10:39 GMT

The Conservative Opposition leader today doubled down on claims Sir Keir Starmer was fully aware of Mandelson's ties to the Paedophile financier upon his appointment as ambassador to the US.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15538405/Kemi-Badenoch-Keir-Starmer-knew-Mandelson-Epstein-relationship.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

MAIL ON SUNDAY COMMENT: If PM goes we need an election - not an old warhorse as 'caretaker'

Daily Mail (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 00:14:47 GMT

MAIL ON SUNDAY COMMENT: There is growing talk, among the Left-wing establishment, of appointing a 'caretaker leader' for the Labour Party, to make it easier for Sir Keir Starmer to resign.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-15538541/MAIL-SUNDAY-COMMENT-PM-goes-need-election-not-caretaker.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

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https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15538405/Kemi-Badenoch-Keir-Starmer-knew-Mandelson-Epstein-relationship.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

John Swinney

Joel Mawhinney quits Blue Peter in fresh blow to show... and BBC bosses fear his girlfriend and co-presenter Shini Muthukrishnan could depart next

Daily Mail (UK News) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 02:40:12 GMT

Mawhinney, 28, who boasts 16.5 million followers on TikTok, told BBC bosses this month of his decision to leave after four years.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15538621/Joel-Mawhinney-quits-Blue-Peter-fresh-blow-BBC-bosses-fear-girlfriend-presenter-Shini-Muthukrishnan-depart-next.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

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ALEX BRUMMER: As Japan prepares to elect Sanae Takaichi, is it heading for its own Liz Truss moment?

Daily Mail (Articles) · Sun, 08 Feb 2026 11:38:30 +0000

She has received not just support but 'total endorsement' from Donald Trump - but it is not clear that financial markets will share the joy.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/money/markets/article-15537803/ALEX-BRUMMER-New-dawn-land-rising-sun.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490

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