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## **Nigel Farage**

QUENTIN LETTS: Breathlessly, Suella clutched **Farage** like a lottery winner - a vision from a Barbara Cartland paperback cover

Daily Mail (Articles) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 07:11:08 +0000

Mad January continues. The week began with a continued Labour pie fight after Andy Burnham's excitements. Soon we had Tory rejects trying to re-inveigle themselves into the political operetta.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-15499833/QUENTIN-LETTS-Suella-clutched-Farage-lottery-Barbara-Cartland.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-15499833/QUENTIN-LETTS-Suella-clutched-Farage-lottery-Barbara-Cartland.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

'Tories: the sequel': Starmer's plan to use defections to attack Reform UK

Financial Times (World) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 05:00:16 GMT

New Labour campaign will remind voters that it is mostly former Conservative ministers jumping ship to Nigel Farage's party

<https://www.ft.com/content/599203ef-25d5-406e-b143-fdac4470e2c9>

Ex-home secretary Suella Braverman becomes the latest Tory to DEFECT to Reform UK, saying 'it feels like I have come home'

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 02:17:33 GMT

The former Conservative home secretary was unveiled by Nigel Farage at a Veterans for Reform event in London today.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15498403/Ex-home-secretary-Suella-Braverman-latest-Tory-DEFECT-Reform-UK-saying-feels-like-come-home.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15498403/Ex-home-secretary-Suella-Braverman-latest-Tory-DEFECT-Reform-UK-saying-feels-like-come-home.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

**Farage** rubs salt in Kemi's wounds and rips apart the Right as ex-home secretary Suella Braverman becomes latest Tory to jump ship to Reform

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 02:15:35 GMT

Nigel Farage moved to rip the Right of British politics even further apart today as he unveiled former Conservative home secretary Suella Braverman as the latest defector to join Reform.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15499459/Farage-rubs-salt-Kemis-wounds-rips-apart-Right-Suella-Braverman.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15499459/Farage-rubs-salt-Kemis-wounds-rips-apart-Right-Suella-Braverman.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

**Nigel Farage** pledges to fight for Special Forces troops being hounded over their actions in Afghanistan and Iraq

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 00:23:25 GMT

Mr Farage offered pardons for any soldiers prosecuted under what he described as 'dubious codes' and said the attacks on the Special Forces were having a 'catastrophic' effect on recruitment.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15500019/Nigel-Farage-Special-Forces-troops-Afghanistan-Iraq.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15500019/Nigel-Farage-Special-Forces-troops-Afghanistan-Iraq.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

**Nigel Farage** pledges to fight for Special Forces troops being hounded over their actions in Afghanistan and Iraq - Daily Mail

Daily Mail via Google (nigel farage) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 00:19:00 GMT

Nigel Farage pledges to fight for Special Forces troops being hounded over their actions in Afghanistan and Iraq &nbsp;&nbsp; Daily Mail

<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMiqgFBVV95cUxOQlhKQ0xmUEhTcDdYUmpuQmg1S3pTUXZGNDJ6YXIFRUNRN2hEMjV2TVpUYzBnVEloNXZhNUtzd0hqaJGUXNIT1850FpqlIBMDVjNV9kVFE5ZUktLVFTcUU3YjJNMU5tZFZWWGhmWXpudmcyZFBsZUM3cEhUamRZeHZ6SEdWazg0MkFvd0Y0emt3aGtKYkdIRjWRENhdDhjRVZwamh2RmR2QdlBrwFBVV95cUxQQUZxdWZNRFVySHNHNzIHN3liWGY0SePTNF9QMUFFdzl2QTZBUXo4TURyWIQtX3I4eWVza1VaakFPcVJldEpoTU5sUkZ4eExER1FaQ0JBbRUuWWZzb3NvaVF3VFcxdkIGMGrhBWTFPNDdLVWpISUt4X21XSUtXQ0RqMVIVTIIGQlloWV9LTIZWMEEyTXFoNUh5U005UERucktWZkRENmYxdzhIYXEWvGRj?oc=5>

## **Keir Starmer**

**Keir Starmer** makes fun of Emmanuel Macron's aviator sunglasses at London comedy show

Independent (News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 09:47:30 GMT

Sir Keir Starmer made fun of Emmanuel Macron wearing a pair of aviator sunglasses during an appearance at a comedy show in London.

<https://www.independent.co.uk/tv/news/starmer-macron-sunglasses-top-gun-tiktok-b2908348.html>

Jacob Rees-Mogg brands Reform UK hypocrites over refusal to hold defector by-elections

Daily Express (Politics) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 09:46:00 +0000

The Tory frequently spoken of as a potential defector says Reform's failure to hold by-elections is undermining their attacks on Keir Starmer.

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2162977/jacob-rees-mogg-suella-braverman-byelection>

**Starmer** dismisses Labour MPs' demand for rethink on blocking rival Andy Burnham from standing in by-election - as council leader says she WON'T be candidate

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 09:29:18 GMT

More than 50 MPs have signed a letter urging the party's ruling national executive committee to look again at the issue.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15501093/Starmer-Labour-MPs-rival-Andy-Burnham-candidate-Denton-election-council-leader.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15501093/Starmer-Labour-MPs-rival-Andy-Burnham-candidate-Denton-election-council-leader.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

**Starmer** ignores property investors' protests and commits to capping leasehold ground rents at £250 – UK politics live

Guardian (UK News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 09:27:23 GMT

Decision to cap leaseholders' ground rent also seen as a win for former deputy PM Angela Rayner The leasehold announcement is an example of what Angela Rayner , the former deputy PM and former housing secretary, meant when she said at a fundraising event last night that the government should be more "unapologetically L

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/live/2026/jan/27/uk-politics-latest-news-updates-keir-starmer-leaseholders-andy-burnham-labour-reform>

**Starmer** facing growing Labour rebellion as dozens of MPs sign letter objecting to Burnham decision

Independent (News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 09:27:01 GMT

Senior Labour figures have called for unity as a growing number of MPs express concern over the decision to block the Greater Manchester mayor from standing in a by-election

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/andy-burnham-keir-starmer-labour-gorton-denton-b2908269.html>

UK caps ground rents paid to freeholders

Financial Times (UK) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 09:13:31 GMT

Limit will be set at £250 a year after Sir Keir Starmer overrules Rachel Reeves to push through manifesto promise

<https://www.ft.com/content/81e95e72-b59e-44b4-9639-e33c407b1ad7>

Ground rents for leaseholders to be capped at £250 a year in **Starmer** bid to placate Labour MPs - despite Treasury alarm over hit to business

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 09:02:55 GMT

The government insisted the change will save many people £4,000 over the course of their lease, and free up householders who have struggled to sell because of charges.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15500855/Ground-rents-capped-250-year-leaseholders-MPs-threaten-rebellion-against-Starmer.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15500855/Ground-rents-capped-250-year-leaseholders-MPs-threaten-rebellion-against-Starmer.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

**Starmer** caps ground rents after fears of Rayner-led rebellion

City AM (News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 08:18:23 +0000

Sir Keir Starmer has introduced a cap on ground rents following fears of an MP rebellion led by the former deputy Prime Minister Angela Rayner. The Prime Minister announced the new move ; which will cap ground rents at £250 a year for leaseholders in England and Wales ; on TikTok, saying it will ;make

<https://www.cityam.com/starmer-caps-ground-rents-after-fears-of-rayner-led-rebellion/>

Fifty Labour MPs write letter to **Starmer** objecting to decision to block Burnham | ITV News - ITVX

ITV (Google News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 08:16:35 GMT

Fifty Labour MPs write letter to Starmer objecting to decision to block Burnham | ITV News &nbsp;&nbsp; ITVX

<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMitgFBVV95cUxPODNuVFpGNmNIc3EzcHJhWTMwTVhudkRpamFrRkZNX1E2d28tekVILWIVWk9TLVIVQ3dCbFBycV9FUzNmQUdvTkhsYWY2RI9Vdy1djhkSGhjQjBTbnBaY0NsWIBZaU55eGtweEpixel9faTVuLTERCYUkwV1JxYVFUV3hMTWFFc21VSmxkZmVMTTVVaUcxLWhsLTVaQnhuQjREUkpPUTJjaFFvaU9CZUo5dGI1YK9idw?oc=5>

The Burnham fiasco shows that the right of the Labour party would rather see it burn than lose control | Owen Jones

Guardian (Politics) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 08:00:09 GMT

Starmer's drones see themselves as characters in The West Wing, full of machiavellian skullduggery but with none of the idealism. No wonder Labour is running out of road On its own terms, Keir Starmer's faction blocking Andy Burnham from standing in the upcoming Gorton and Denton byelection is perfectly rational. It i

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2026/jan/27/burnham-fiasco-right-labour-party-starmer>

Leaseholders in England and Wales to have ground rent capped at £250 a year

Guardian (UK News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 07:45:10 GMT

Keir Starmer says move is 'good news for homeowners' in TikTok video announcing change Ground rents are to be capped at £250 a year for leaseholders in England and Wales, Keir Starmer has announced, as his government unveiled proposals to ban leaseholds for new flats. New leasehold flats will be banned and existing lea

<https://www.theguardian.com/money/2026/jan/27/leaseholders-england-wales-ground-rent-cap-250-a-year>

Ground rents for leaseholders to be capped at £250 a year in **Starmer** bid to placate Labour MPs - despite Treasury alarm over hit to business - Daily Mail

Daily Mail via Google (keir starmer) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 07:27:40 GMT

Ground rents for leaseholders to be capped at £250 a year in Starmer bid to placate Labour MPs - despite Treasury alarm over hit to business &nbsp;&nbsp; Daily Mail

<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMi0AFBVV95cUxNUUEwNW80STFIVjhlelp3SzJVmRVcHVKZGpMUFh3MjRFBWVz1pyLWxEtOFA4Szg4Y1JtM1J3ZnEcE10bHdGcUN2LTUVZTlxSzIEb093aDhOVzYU2JiakxneGdkcU1QS3gxcW9jWVlIxOG5MRWpabnRyRUxUVV0bE81cnFrVDNpXzloNIQzcNPVEExxaGFaTnIRQm45TUUhCa0ZJRlp6ZE NLOFZFZ2IQOGVQdIFVUHp2bGw3ajZjY190MWNBqEtwZzB4dC150gHWAUFVX3lxTE5XRTZCSVYxVUgyWIBDQjl GQWdodmVhcjRTcG9CTXIJuWVMdXJhZXZIUGpUT2JqTTIwdHkyR0VrQVJRSEtwUTISTGZIMjU4eS1YUWs3ek9KV zR2Q0VqM0RyYkFLdWtQWEhKTGFGdVIWeVRDOXE5alZRRExuaGtsdlpwbnNCRWtWbV96TXgtNIJYQk12d0NNa3 gtNjVPSnZFdkxjZHHRVM5LU9XX2R6WUFrZVN2M3BnU2ZWc2VXT2I0ZFVZbXlyZjBIRzdpQTFhMDJEU2Vud0E?o c=5>

FTSE 100 Live: HSBC carries blue-chips; **Starmer** eyes China trade

City AM (News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 07:03:18 +0000

Good morning and welcome back to the City AM liveblog. Gold's magnificent rally was continuing on Tuesday morning after breaking through the \$5,100 mark for the first time. The flurry to safe haven assets notched up after Trump threatened Canada with 100 per cent tariffs if the country "made a deal with China". L

<https://www.cityam.com/ftse-100-live-gold-rally-continues-starmer-eyes-china-trade/>

**Starmer**'s fraught visit to China will tell us what he really thinks of the UK's place in the world | Peter Frankopan

Guardian (Politics) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 06:00:06 GMT

Does Britain have any leverage over human rights or security concerns or is it a decaying nation that cannot risk trade relations? This week, Keir Starmer will reportedly visit China . This will be the first trip of this kind by a British prime minister since Theresa May's three-day visit to Beijing in 2018. Since then

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2026/jan/27/keir-starmer-visit-china-first-time-beijing-uk>

Bambi Burnham has boosted Labour's rivals

City AM (News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 05:29:00 +0000

The strategic block of Andy Burnham's by-election candidacy is a self-inflicted wound that signals weakness, invites challenges from internal rivals, and elevates a local contest into a national stress test of Keir Starmer's leadership, says Helen Thomas The starting gun to replace Keir Starmer has been fir

<https://www.cityam.com/bambi-burnham-has-boosted-labours-rivals/>

Most Americans supported Trump's mass deportations during 2024 election. Now, more want to abolish ICE than not

Independent (News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 05:01:49 GMT

The poll comes out after the second fatal shooting of a U.S. citizen in Minneapolis at the hands of federal immigration agents this month

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/us-politics/trump-deportations-ice-poll-election-b2908132.html>

Government plans to tighten scrutiny of Chinese influence in UK

Financial Times (World) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 05:00:27 GMT

Sir Keir Starmer seeks to bolster registration scheme while still deepening Sino-British relations

<https://www.ft.com/content/9bfe5659-751b-43b2-b69d-93d49c845e99>

'Tories: the sequel': **Starmer**'s plan to use defections to attack Reform UK

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**Starmer** v Burnham: will it split Labour? – podcast

Guardian (UK News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 03:00:02 GMT

The prime minister may have seen off the challenge for the moment – but what will be the cost to his leadership? Peter Walker reports Ever since Andy Burnham abandoned Westminster to become Greater Manchester's first ever mayor in 2017, he has been dogged with questions about returning to parliament for the top job. He

<https://www.theguardian.com/news/audio/2026/jan/27/starmer-v-burnham-will-it-split-labour-podcast>

**Starmer** says he won't 'choose between' the US or China

BBC (UK) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 02:55:36 GMT

Sir Keir says ignoring China "wouldn't be sensible" as he prepares to visit the country.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cp3zp58wqlno?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cp3zp58wqlno?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

Burnham rebellion grows: 50 Labour MPs sign letter to **Starmer** protesting against decision to block Manchester mayor

Daily Mail (UK News) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 01:29:31 GMT

One MP called for the PM to 'consider his position' while more than 50 put their names to a letter critical of his actions. There were also calls for an emergency meeting of the party's ruling body.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15499991/Burnham-Labour-MPs-letter-Starmer-Manchester-mayor.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15499991/Burnham-Labour-MPs-letter-Starmer-Manchester-mayor.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

RICHARD LITTLEJOHN: **Starmer**'s no friend of the military. No wonder veterans are flocking to Reform

Daily Mail (Articles) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 01:03:20 +0000

Better late than never, Donald Trump has recanted his offensive remarks about the contribution of British troops in Iraq and Afghanistan.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-15499777/RICHARD-LITTLEJOHN-Starmer-no-friend-military-veterans-Ref orm.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-15499777/RICHARD-LITTLEJOHN-Starmer-no-friend-military-veterans-Ref orm.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

IAN WILLIAMS: China's vampire state is about to sink its fangs into Kowtow Keir. Stand by for a humiliating spectacle

Daily Mail (Articles) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 01:01:56 +0000

Keir Starmer is stepping up 'Operation Kowtow', his reckless bid to cosy up to China- at the worst possible moment for Britain's national security.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-15499919/IAN-WILLIAMS-China-Keir-Stand-humiliating.html?ns\\_mchannel =rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-15499919/IAN-WILLIAMS-China-Keir-Stand-humiliating.html?ns_mchannel =rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

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<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMiqAFBVV95cUxPa2laZIpBYTVBN1Q3SkdrNnBHQWNrcWZhSzU4QVREaWNQeWNnTDEtWnRWaIB5a0UxSUJWRi00R1g5NTB1MGF2TlVWcUlxF0dNQTDFeTd3dTY2N2J4Ti1qODB5cGRfWmc2MXF3QjJxT1hUUDJUaGNJYzZuaEhHbDZBFdWd1E4YnhBRUhJbHh2ZmExQVc1UHdjWnJpMW1ZUINFLUFhX0pEckvSAa4BQVVfeXFMUERZN2hCUjhfn3FXMTIKOHYxWDcxNkU5X2FhSERBYWdhVVBSU3gyWF9RNmlUMjBqU3dYSXI5OEYwVDM3a1ZJd1lyVDUxd1BVSGRnLWhCbXJGY01oczJrdml1Q3pjVXdWb0VuXIWWIzLMDV0WDRabUxacDNKM19VWEI1VjRQam5uVzh0SI9keUnybVBmdjJOU5UQUxhQ09KRTdIYTJmdng2RVVzbm1R?oc=5>

## ***Kemi Badenoch***

Tories should be glad Braverman has gone to Reform

Financial Times (World) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 09:30:07 GMT

But Kemi Badenoch refuses opportunity to argue that Reform opposes many of her party's finest achievements

<https://www.ft.com/content/ffd2ef90-5dec-4a54-b14d-743e103a5864>

## ***John Swinney***

Heartbreak for Traitors winner Rachel Duffy as she announces her mother has died just days after revealing she planned to spend prize money on her

Daily Mail (Articles) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 09:54:58 +0000

The Traitors winner Rachel Duffy has announced her mother, who she planned to spend her prize money on, has died.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/tvshowbiz/article-15501165/The-Traitors-star-Rachel-Duffy-mother-died-prize-money-Park-insons.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/tvshowbiz/article-15501165/The-Traitors-star-Rachel-Duffy-mother-died-prize-money-Park-insons.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

Celebrity SAS winners REVEALED with first ever all-female line-up of famous faces as Dani Dyer, Gabby Allen and Emily Seebohm pass 'horrendous' course

Daily Mail (Articles) · Tue, 27 Jan 2026 01:33:05 +0000

Fourteen celebrities put their mind and body through the absolute ringer in the ultimate test of resilience on Channel 4's Celebrity SAS: Who Dares Wins.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/tv/article-15498313/celebrity-sas-winners-revealed-dani-gabby-emily.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/tv/article-15498313/celebrity-sas-winners-revealed-dani-gabby-emily.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

## ***Ed Davey***

Best heated blanket: These 7 tested heated throws are seriously soft and will save you money this winter

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We've done the maths and can confirm that many of the best heated blankets and throws cost as little as 2 or 3 pence to run an hour. This is a lot cheaper than putting on your central heating.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/buyline/article-15206773/Best-electric-blanket-heated-throws.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/buyline/article-15206773/Best-electric-blanket-heated-throws.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

## ***Rhun Ap Iorwerth***

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**Gavin Robinson**

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