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Nigel Farage

Will Starmer's shambles hand **Farage** keys to No10? Reform 'to begin choosing MP candidates' with leader to tell party: Get ready for an election THIS YEAR

Daily Mail (Articles) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 10:15:43 +0000

Mr Farage will use a speech this afternoon to outline his plans for his frontbench team, telling party members to be ready to go to the polls by the end of the year.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15541823/Starmer-shambles-Farage-keys-No10-Reform.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490

Couple with 35-year age gap welcome their first child on husband's 70th birthday

Daily Mail (Articles) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 09:58:53 +0000

Glenda, 35, and her husband Roy celebrated the birth of young Roy Briley III, now seven months old, on June 6, 2025 - the same exact date as Roy's 70th birthday.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/lifestyle/article-15541733/Marriage-age-gap-IVF-relationship-child.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490

'Pulling up the drawbridge': Alf Dubs criticises Shabana Mahmood's plans for child refugees

Guardian (Politics) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 00:00:45 GMT

Exclusive: Labour peer, who came to UK as a refugee, says some ministers try to show they won't 'just do things because of their background' Shabana Mahmood, the home secretary, whose parents migrated to the UK from Pakistan, is facing the suggestion from a veteran Labour peer that she is "pulling up the drawbridge onc

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/feb/09/alf-dubs-shabana-mahmood-labour-plans-child-refugees>

Keir Starmer

No10 rocked as another **Keir Starmer** aide quits 24 hours after Morgan McSweeney

Daily Mirror (News) · Mon, 9 Feb 2026 11:10:48 +0000

Keir Starmer's spin doctor Tim Allan was only appointed as director of communications in September 2025, but announced his departure 24 hours after Morgan McSweeney quit

<https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/politics/breaking-no10-rocked-another-keir-36692401>

No 10 communications chief quits as Mandelson fallout deepens

City AM (News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 11:27:35 +0000

Keir Starmer's communications chief has resigned less than six months after joining the Prime Minister's Downing Street operation, as the crisis engulfing the government over Lord Mandelson's links to Jeffrey Epstein deepened. Tim Allen, the founder of PR agency Portland who was also a key architect o

<https://www.cityam.com/no-10-communications-chief-quits-as-mandelson-fallout-deepens/>

Starmer latest: Another key aide steps down in fresh blow for embattled PM

Independent (News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 11:26:58 GMT

No 10 aide Tim Allan stood down on Monday following Starmer's chief of staff Morgan McSweeney's resignation over Mandelson scandal

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/starmer-mcsweeney-resign-mandelson-labour-epstein-latest-news-b2916472.html>

Now **Starmer**'s comms chief QUILTS as grim-faced Cabinet march into teetering PM's bunker

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 11:22:07 GMT

Keir Starmer's comms chief quit today in a fresh disaster for the on-the-brink PM.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15541747/Starmer-No10-bunker-quit-McSweeney-Mandelson-Cabinet-Labour-MPs.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

Starmer's director of communications Tim Allan quits

BBC (UK) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 11:15:30 GMT

Tim Allan is the fourth communications chief to leave Downing Street in less than a year.

https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c89kwj8kjy9o?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss

Keir Starmer's head of communications Tim Allan steps down – UK politics live

Guardian (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 11:13:47 GMT

Director of communications at Downing St says 'I have decided to stand down to allow a new No 10 team to be built' Tim Allan, who worked as Alastair Campbell's deputy when Tony Blair was in opposition and after he first became PM, only joined Downing Street in September last year. It was a surprise appointment because

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/live/2026/feb/09/starmer-mandelson-epstein-labour-mcsweeney-conservatives-latest-news-updates>

Should Brits be preparing to go to the polls soon? All the times Angela Rayner and Labour ministers said changing PM should trigger a general election

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 11:13:17 GMT

Little more than 19 months into his premiership, there is a real prospect of Sir Keir Starmer being replaced by another Labour PM.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15541933/Should-Brits-preparing-polls-soon-times-Angela-Rayner-Labour-ministers-said-changing-PM-trigger-general-election.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

Starmer's communications chief quits as pressure grows on PM

Financial Times (UK) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 11:11:19 GMT

Tim Allan resigns as Mandelson scandal intensifies

<https://www.ft.com/content/e7771f66-a219-41de-8295-ec10b5ebe457>

Pound and gilts under pressure as leadership crisis threatens **Starmer**

Financial Times (UK) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 11:10:55 GMT

Investors fearful of political turmoil following a period of relative calm in UK markets

<https://www.ft.com/content/32614126-b836-4719-a681-acb4718e4928>

Fresh crisis for **Keir Starmer** as another senior staffer quits following Morgan McSweeney

Daily Express (Politics) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 11:06:00 +0000

No. 10 is in fresh crisis this morning as Keir Starmer's most senior communications chief also departs.

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2168550/keir-starmer-tim-allan-quits>

Keir Starmer's director of communications Tim Allan steps down

Guardian (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 11:05:42 GMT

Exclusive: Decision follows departure of chief of staff Morgan McSweeney over Peter Mandelson scandal
UK politics live – latest updates Tim Allan, Keir Starmer's director of communications, has stepped down after just five months in the job, his resignation coming a day after the prime minister's chief of staff, Morgan

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/feb/09/keir-starmer-director-of-communications-tim-allan-step-down>

Fury as Keir Starmer's latest Brexit betrayal threatens to devastate UK farmers

Daily Express (Politics) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 10:44:00 +0000

George Freeman MP urged the Prime Minister not to "give away" the UK's freedom to pioneer in plant breeding and regulation.

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2168524/brexit-keir-starmer-agriculture>

TalkTV star destroys Keir Starmer as she predicts exactly when he'll be ousted

Daily Express (Politics) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 10:43:00 +0000

The scathing comments come ahead of Keir Starmer's address to Downing Street.

<https://www.express.co.uk/showbiz/tv-radio/2168529/talktv-star-destroys-keir-starmer>

POLL: Would Angela Rayner make a better Prime Minister than Keir Starmer?

Daily Express (Politics) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 10:25:00 +0000

Angela Rayner has significant support within Labour and the Express asks, would she make a better PM than the under-pressure Sir Keir Starmer?

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2168507/poll-angela-rayner-prime-minister>

Fury at China over 'death sentence' prison term for British free speech champion Jimmy Lai, 78, just days after Starmer visited Beijing

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 10:17:31 GMT

Foreign Secretary Yvette Cooper demanded communist authorities to end the 'appalling ordeal' faced by the 78-year-old critic of the Beijing regime.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15541569/Hong-Kong-pro-democracy-campaigner-Jimmy-Lai-jailed.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

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JK Rowling demands Keir Starmer resign now over Mandelson scandal - 'Starmer out!'

Daily Express (News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 10:04:00 +0000

World famous author JK Rowling called on Keir Starmer to resign over his appointment of Lord Mandelson, slamming him as 'indifferent to harm to women'.

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2168493/world-famous-author-jk-rowling-starmer-step-down-mandelson-scandal>

What went wrong with the **Starmer-McSweeney** approach?

Financial Times (UK) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 09:36:26 GMT

They were only ever superficially interested in policies that convinced voters, rather than in governing seriously

<https://www.ft.com/content/f20e8420-b410-4079-85e5-efcd14822f01>

UK leader **Starmer** fights for his job as Mandelson-Epstein revelations spark a leadership crisis

Independent (News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 09:36:13 GMT

British Prime Minister Keir Starmer faces a political crisis as he tries to persuade Labour Party lawmakers not to oust him

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/keir-starmer-peter-mandelson-labour-party-jeffrey-epstein-morgan-mc-sweeney-b2916554.html>

Will **Starmer** resign as prime minister and who could replace him?

Independent (News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 09:23:10 GMT

There are growing questions over whether or not the prime minister will cling on to his job - questions that have only grown in the wake of Morgan McSweeney's resignation

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/will-starmer-resign-mandelson-epstein-labour-b2916539.html>

Keir Starmer faces crunch week in battle to hold on to power

Financial Times (World) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 09:17:28 GMT

Labour MPs and officials warn that the Peter Mandelson scandal could yet claim prime minister's job

<https://www.ft.com/content/ae193a7b-9925-4c8e-ac41-87351946d3c8>

NatWest to buy wealth manager Evelyn Partners for £2.7bn

Guardian (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 08:33:59 GMT

Banking group beats Barclays to snare biggest acquisition since it was bailed out by taxpayers in 2008
Business live – latest updates NatWest has agreed a £2.7bn deal to buy Evelyn Partners, one of the UK's biggest wealth managers, in the bank's largest acquisition since it was bailed out by taxpayers in 2008.

The move

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2026/feb/09/natwest-buy-wealth-manager-evelyn-partners-barclays>

The Papers: 'PM's aide quits' and 'How long can **Starmer** cling on?'

BBC (UK) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 07:42:32 GMT

Morgan McSweeney's resignation and the subsequent political fallout dominate Monday's front pages.

https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cx2dgej5weeo?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss

How long can **Starmer** cling on? In the wake of Morgan McSweeney's resignation, Kemi blasts Sir Keir for failing to 'take responsibility for terrible choices'... and Labour MPs tell him his position is now 'untenable'

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 07:10:34 GMT

Keir Starmer's premiership was in freefall on Sunday after his right-hand man walked the plank over the Mandelson scandal.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15541089/How-long-Starmer-cling-wake-Morgan-McSweeney.html?ns_mch=annel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

FTSE 100 Live: Natwest shares fall after deal; Political jitters in bond market

City AM (News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 06:45:00 +0000

Good morning and welcome to the City AM liveblog. Markets will have a lot to catch up on this morning after the latest escalation in political dramas over the weekend. Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer's chief of staff announced his exit from government amid mounting pressure over the appointment of Peter Mandelson

<https://www.cityam.com/ftse-100-live-bonds-in-focus-as-starmers-leadership-on-brink/>

Chris Mason: **Starmer**'s predicament is dire and now he faces future without top aide

BBC (UK) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 06:02:11 GMT

There is universal acceptance in Labour that Sir Keir Starmer's predicament is dire and he confronts immense peril, writes Chris Mason.

https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/ce3g8e7n07jo?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss

What links Jeffrey Epstein and **Keir Starmer**'s government? A thick seam of contempt | Nesrine Malik

Guardian (Politics) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 06:00:52 GMT

We're often told the PM is a 'decent' man. But in appointing Peter Mandelson he chose political convenience over doing right by trafficked women and girls Contempt everywhere. From Jeffrey Epstein's email exchanges to the scandal of Peter Mandelson's appointment , contempt radiates. Contempt for women and girls, for th

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2026/feb/09/jeffrey-epstein-keir-starmer-government-peter-mandelson>

Starmer's right hand man has resigned – what does this mean for the future of the PM?

Independent (News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 04:37:37 GMT

Many people in Labour wanted Morgan McSweeney sacked as Downing Street chief of staff before he finally quit over the Mandelson scandal, but now the question is if Starmer can survive as PM without him, David Maddox writes

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/starmer-morgan-mcsweeney-labour-peter-mandelson-resign-b2916436.html>

Who is Morgan McSweeney? **Starmer**'s right-hand man and Peter Mandelson ally

Independent (News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 04:34:04 GMT

Starmer's right-hand man was considered the driving force behind Mandelson's appointment as US ambassador

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/morgan-mcsweeney-starmer-resigns-mandelson-epstein-labour-b2916435.html>

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

Independent (News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 04:27:13 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-resignation-starmer-chief-of-staff-mandelson-b2916431.html>

'Blame me': what the UK papers say as Morgan McSweeney quits over Mandelson-Epstein scandal

Guardian (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 03:17:07 GMT

British papers explore what's next for prime minister Keir Starmer after the loss of his longtime adviser over the Mandelson-Epstein files scandal The fate of prime minister Keir Starmer dominates the UK front pages on Monday after his embattled chief of staff, Morgan McSweeney, resigned over the appointment of Peter M

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/feb/09/morgan-mcsweeney-quits-mandelson-epstein-scandal-uk-papers>

Keir Starmer and Morgan McSweeney are mocked in AI Titanic video - featuring Mandelson as an ice berg

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 02:27:39 GMT

McSweeney resigned as the Prime Minister's chief of staff on Sunday as the Labour government continues to reel from the Peter Mandelson scandal.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15540521/Keir-Starmer-Morgan-McSweeney-mocked.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

Labour MPs call for **Starmer** to 'follow Morgan McSweeney's lead' after Chief of Staff resigned amid Mandelson saga

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 02:03:10 GMT

Labour MPs have called for Sir Keir Starmer to stand down after his chief of staff was forced to quit Downing Street over the Peter Mandelson scandal.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15540501/Labour-MPs-call-Starmer-resign-Morgan-McSweeney-Mandelson-saga.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

DAN HODGES: The PM's human shield has gone. Ministers tell me it's just a matter of time before **Starmer** goes too

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 01:50:00 GMT

Yesterday, Pat McFadden was asked if the time had come for the PM's chief of staff Morgan McSweeney to resign. 'I don't think it would make any difference at all,' he said.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-15540551/DAN-HODGES-PM-human-shield-time-Starmer.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

Hair apparent: Tipped for the top Angela Rayner gets haircut as **Keir Starmer**'s No 10 operation implodes

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 01:10:58 GMT

Angela Rayner was all smiles as she sat for a new haircut in a video while Sir Keir Starmer's Number 10 operation imploded with the resignation of his righthand man.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15540303/Angela-Rayner-gets-haircut-Keir-Starmer-implodes.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

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[HpRcFdHajhOSzdZR284dE8zcGZLQI90enhSdjFWbmJIYjVfeDN2aTg?oc=5](#)

Keir Starmer to face mutinous MPs after top aide's exit over Mandelson scandal - ITVX

ITV (Google News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 00:01:57 GMT

Keir Starmer to face mutinous MPs after top aide's exit over Mandelson scandal ITVX

<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMiswFBVV95cUxOa3NGalZSVzlHaGJwYnB6QUM5bXdrV2IMc3RzeDimMFNWaElxc3FIODhLakQtN1Q2SnNjNmU2dUJfdHRnVWttV1BnLUc4MXMyTm4xV1NnRmVsZnJXNEJITmVBSEZ6Zm5ia21mTmRRSVlwWGM5UDNrSFkyWXktQS1GcU9hc1VXa240aDIHUKx4Z05CaV9zRWZVFHJrNXcwOXJGSUVIYXk1N0xWMUZjcFk0Zm9nNA?oc=5>

Octopus boss says China's energy tech marks 'golden opportunity' for UK

Independent (News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 00:01:00 GMT

The energy boss recently accompanied Sir Keir Starmer on a UK delegation to China

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/octopus-china-energy-deal-starmer-b2916297.html>

Kemi Badenoch

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John Swinney

— no mentions today —

Ed Davey

Linked to cancer and banned in France, so-called 'Forever Chemicals' are hidden everywhere in our homes. SARAH RAINES spent a week trying to avoid them - here are the easy swaps she found

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 10:21:42 GMT

Within the last week, have you done one or more of the following? Cleaned your house. Cooked in a non-stick pan. Worn make-up. Drank tap water. Charged your phone.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15540587/Linked-cancer-banned-France-called-Forever-Chemicals-hidden-homes-SARAH-RAINES-spent-week-trying-avoid-easy-swaps-found.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

Teenage girl who was sexually assaulted by Iranian asylum seeker who arrived in Britain on the back of a lorry bravely confronts him in court as he's jailed

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 09:48:52 GMT

Abbie Johnson, 19, was attacked by Iranian illegal immigrant Ahmadreza Khalafi, 29, during a night out in Bishop's Stortford in Hertfordshire in the early hours of May 3 last year.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15534705/Teenage-girl-sexually-assaulted-Iranian-asylum-seeker.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

Ashley James reveals she was raped by a friend at university and describes 'living with shame and silence' after 'hugely traumatic' assault: 'I've thought about it every day since'

Daily Mail (Articles) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 02:23:17 +0000

The This Morning star, 38, bravely recalled the rape in her new book, Bimbo, explaining it occurred after a night out at a club with pals, while she'd been unconscious.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/tvshowbiz/article-15541039/Ashley-James-reveals-raped-friend-university-describes-living-shame-silence-hugely-traumatic-assault-Ive-thought-day-since.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=149

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Mary Lou McDonald

Donald Trump claims Bad Bunny's Super Bowl halftime show was a 'slap in the face' to America: 'The dancing is disgusting'

Daily Mail (UK News) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 11:04:27 GMT

President Donald Trump had a scathing review of Bad Bunny's Super Bowl halftime show, branding it a 'slap in the face' to America.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/sport/nfl/article-15541297/donald-trump-bad-bunny-super-bowl.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490

Britons' right to protest is under threat like never before. If you value it, speak up now | Imran Khan

Guardian (Politics) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 08:00:55 GMT

Civil rights, women's rights: little could have been achieved under the system now being considered by UK ministers. A bad situation could get worse 'Lawful protest and free speech are fundamental rights, but we cannot allow them to be abused to spread hate or cause disorder. The law must be fit for purpose and consist

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2026/feb/09/britons-right-protest-threat-civil-rights-uk>

Donald Trump attacks Team USA skier after 'real loser' launched into 'anti-American' rant at Winter Olympics

Daily Mail (Articles) · Mon, 09 Feb 2026 01:56:03 +0000

President Donald Trump is going on the offensive after a member of Team USA competing at the Winter Olympics criticized the direction of the United States' political climate.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/sport/winterolympics/article-15540443/donald-trump-hunter-hess-winter-olympics.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490

Gavin Robinson

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