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<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2026/jan/08/labour-pub-business-rates-u-turn>

Rachel Reeves brands critics of benefits splurge RACIST as Labour boasts about law scrapping two-child cap reaching Parliament

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 13:51:03 GMT

Rachel Reeves accused Nigel Farage of only wanting white people to get welfare after he warned Labour's policy will benefit 'huge numbers of foreign-born people'.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15445407/Rachel-Reeves-brands-critics-benefits-splurge-RACIST-Labour-boasts-law-scrapping-two-child-cap-reaching-Parliament.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15445407/Rachel-Reeves-brands-critics-benefits-splurge-RACIST-Labour-boasts-law-scrapping-two-child-cap-reaching-Parliament.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 11:50:06 GMT

The former CPS prosecutor was once labelled a 'vigilante mum' after tracking down and chasing muggers who targeted some of her seven children.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15442943/The-vigilante-mum-seven-running-Reform-London-mayor-Laila-Cunningham.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15442943/The-vigilante-mum-seven-running-Reform-London-mayor-Laila-Cunningham.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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New drink-drive limit dreamt up by ‘Islington cycling elite’, blasts **Farage** as Britain’s oldest brewer warns Reeves doing to pubs what Thatcher did to miners

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 00:20:23 GMT

The Reform UK leader warned that plans to cut the drink-driving limit so that even a single pint could see drivers breaking the law will be a ‘death knell for country pubs’.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15442829/Labour-new-drink-drive-limit-dreamt-Islington-cycling-elite-Farage.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15442829/Labour-new-drink-drive-limit-dreamt-Islington-cycling-elite-Farage.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

### **Keir Starmer**

Should the UK put boots on the ground in Ukraine? Vote in our poll

Daily Mirror (News) · Thu, 8 Jan 2026 13:46:08 +0000

Keir Starmer has signed a declaration alongside Emmanuel Macron and Volodymyr Zelensky pledging to put boots on the ground if a peace deal is reached - do you think that's the right move?

<https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/politics/should-uk-put-boots-ground-36519220>

Government urged to quit X following ‘appalling’ Grok scandal

City AM (News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 14:43:13 +0000

Keir Starmer has been urged to pull his government off Elon Musk’s social media platform, X, after a former cabinet minister dubbed the platform ‘unconscionable’. Labour MP Louise Haigh, former transport secretary, has warned that her party and the government should entirely quit the site. This pressu

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Former Labour minister tells **Starmer**'s government to quit X

Independent (News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 14:27:47 GMT

'It is unconscionable to use the site for another minute', Louise Haigh said

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/twitter-x-grok-louise-haigh-labour-government-b2896839.html>

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Every Labour U-turn as **Starmer** set to row back on pubs rate relief

Independent (News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 14:17:28 GMT

The Independent looks at all the times Keir Starmer has U-turned on his promises since taking office

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/starmer-u-turn-labour-pubs-benefits-inheritance-tax-farmers-b2896720.html>

**Starmer** poised for ANOTHER U-turn as ministers scramble for pubs rescue package amid fury from business and Labour MPs

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 13:59:15 GMT

Ministers are scrambling to assemble a rescue package to ease the pressure on the hospitality sector, with an announcement expected within days.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15445881/Starmer-poised-U-turn-ministers-scramble-pubs-rescue-package-a-mid-fury-business-Labour-MPs.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15445881/Starmer-poised-U-turn-ministers-scramble-pubs-rescue-package-a-mid-fury-business-Labour-MPs.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Hope springs eternal for Sir **Keir Starmer**

Economist (Latest) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 13:47:50 +0000

The latest reading from our Starmer tracker

<https://www.economist.com/britain/2026/01/08/hope-springs-eternal-for-sir-keir-starmer>

POLL OF THE DAY: Should Britain send troops to Ukraine if Russia ceasefire is agreed?

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 13:34:10 GMT

Sir Keir Starmer has agreed - with France and Germany - to send a peacekeeping force of Army, RAF and Royal Navy personnel to Ukraine in the event of a ceasefire with Russia.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15445257/Poll-Britain-send-troops-Ukraine-Russia-ceasefire-agreed.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15445257/Poll-Britain-send-troops-Ukraine-Russia-ceasefire-agreed.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

**Starmer** poised for ANOTHER U-turn as ministers scramble for pubs rescue package amid fury from business and Labour MPs - Daily Mail

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<https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMi3gFBVV95cUxOUFpPa0ImSXd6REdKUThFNENhYmRjeBuNDBvdzZvc2hsVHBsUmo0cm5iZzVPTGRUUGdUODZpTnNSVTIRSwczSjdrMWhaVG1aWC1HdIVQY3NVakVGUDBYbFdja3NDNVY1ZW11Z3JzX0ZkTE1QbEdFQIVSekFUDJLSHRsc1NSQTdZQVVienc2OVBFtIc5WnAzLW1POU5kdUd2dnYtaFBiBw5sd0dEVnVkJZUVTFTa2QtajcwZGZVNTJnUIRVZTgxZUV6bk9razBfc3Qyc0NFOWJebU1penfSAeMBQVVfeXFMDcYjRDLVlVtIhGZJwOURjd0xrcWYtS1ZDUU1ubXBuYWltRHgzRmRGsxQzU3JDRDZMMWx2aHQydVpRY1QUC1KdDljbDJOOVV1RzNRdDRXakxuY3JiNzNVWXRPcG5iUXpNRTJZaUE0WFFaY0xDZjdDWINIUVZva3l0a3VXbUt3OUtIREZuMnFsc1phY0hkSTIEMFFKVRUbVI6YWpFSHBUZG1IznJ2T2NqdUVoV0QxQ3Jma1l6dDFaZnJQVnhtNTg3cEZhMFpoWXp4MVRCcmhOem1WUjVyQU02ZEU?oc=5>

It's time for **Starmer** to choose: is he a lawyer or a leader?

City AM (News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 12:25:17 +0000

The international, rules-and-rights-based order is crumbling in the face of Trump's brute force. This leaves career human rights lawyer Keir Starmer in an interesting position; A Venezuelan friend once showed me a small purse made out of folded and woven 100,000 Bolivar notes. These would be sold to tourist

<https://www.cityam.com/its-time-for-starmer-to-choose-is-he-a-lawyer-or-a-leader/>

Trump FINALLY takes **Starmer**'s call... as No10 lamely insists the PM 'set out his position' on Greenland threats

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 12:06:44 GMT

Keir Starmer and Donald Trump spoke last night, four days after the US president's extraordinary operation to oust Venezuela's dictator.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15443809/Keir-Starmer-Greenland-phone-call-Trump.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15443809/Keir-Starmer-Greenland-phone-call-Trump.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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Russia could cripple Britain by cutting just 60 undersea cables carrying nearly all UK data - as **Starmer** refuses to say when he will hit defence spending target

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 11:19:45 GMT

Vessels in Putin's 'shadow fleet' - ships operating secretly to avoid sanctions - have been blamed for sabotaging cables, oil and gas pipelines and electricity cables keeping countries connected.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15442823/Russia-cripple-Britain-cutting-undersea-cables.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15442823/Russia-cripple-Britain-cutting-undersea-cables.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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Labour's support 'on the slide' across the UK - as party's Scottish leader tells 'unpopular' **Starmer** to stay in London during Holyrood election campaign

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 11:14:31 GMT

Professor Sir John Curtice, a leading polling expert, said Labour 'now seem to be in third place' in nationwide polls behind both Reform UK and the Tories.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15445207/Labours-support-slide-UK-partys-Scottish-leader-tells-unpopular-Starmer-stay-London-Holyrood-election-campaign.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15445207/Labours-support-slide-UK-partys-Scottish-leader-tells-unpopular-Starmer-stay-London-Holyrood-election-campaign.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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Here's why Labour is struggling to deliver: the British state is immense, but pull the levers and nothing happens | Larry Elliott

Guardian (Politics) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 10:00:04 GMT

At home, the machinery of government creaks badly – abroad, a leaden UK lags far behind dynamic competitors. A radical overhaul is needed. Governments come into office brimming with confidence. They say their election win is a mandate for change, and that work on its manifesto pledges will start immediately. Invariably

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2026/jan/08/labour-british-state-uk-economy-government>

Mandelson's revenge as ex-ambassador condemns **Starmer** and Europe for 'impotence' in the face of Trump 'revolution'

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 09:15:02 GMT

Lord Mandelson, who was ousted over historic ties to Jeffrey Epstein, lashed out at Europe's 'impotence' in the face of a changed world.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15445043/Mandelsons-revenge-ex-ambassador-condemns-Starmer-Europe-impotence-face-Trump-revolution.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15445043/Mandelsons-revenge-ex-ambassador-condemns-Starmer-Europe-impotence-face-Trump-revolution.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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Mandelson accuses European leaders of 'histrionic' reaction to Trump's Greenland stance

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 08:56:32 GMT

Article by former British ambassador to US is likely to be seen as criticism of Keir Starmer Peter Mandelson has accused European leaders including Keir Starmer of a "histrionic" reaction to Donald Trump's plan to take over Greenland, arguing that without "hard power and hard cash" they will continue to slide into unim

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/jan/08/mandelson-accuses-european-leaders-of-histrionic-reaction-to-trump-greenland-stance>

Badenoch accuses **Starmer** of lying as Abramovich row erupts

City AM (News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 08:41:23 +0000

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<https://www.cityam.com/badenoch-accuses-starmer-of-lying-as-abramovich-row-erupts/>

Greenland's future must be decided by island and Denmark, **Starmer** warns Trump

Financial Times (World) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 07:47:14 GMT

Leaders discussed Arctic island in first call since US president's intervention in Venezuela

<https://www.ft.com/content/745aa7d9-31eb-4cbc-bfca-08acfd8d4440>

Chris Mason: Trump and **Starmer** speak as ship seizure caps extraordinary few days

BBC (UK) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 07:38:23 GMT

The leaders speak on the phone following a blitz of overseas activity by the Trump administration, writes the BBC's political editor.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c1lzv045yy7o?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c1lzv045yy7o?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

**Starmer** says MPs to get vote on deploying UK peacekeeping troops to Ukraine

Independent (Politics) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 04:28:53 GMT

Labour prime minister has signed historic deal to deploy armed forces to enforce any ceasefire with Russia – with Trump's blessing

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/starmer-uk-troops-ukraine-mp-vote-russia-b2896054.html>

Government is 'secretly' advertising £81,000 'deputy director' role for controversial digital ID programme - despite nearly three million Brits signing petition against 'dystopian' scheme

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 01:02:24 GMT

Every working adult in Britain will require the virtual identification card under a 'dystopian' plan announced by Keir Starmer in September.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15425855/government-secretly-advertises-deputy-director-role-digital-ID.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15425855/government-secretly-advertises-deputy-director-role-digital-ID.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

## **Kemi Badenoch**

**Badenoch** claims forthcoming business rates U-turn for pubs 'too little, too late' – UK politics live

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 14:37:51 GMT

Conservative leader criticises government's U-turn but change likely to be welcomed by pub trade Helena Horton is a Guardian environment reporter. Emma Reynolds, the environment secretary, has insisted "that is it" in response to farmers claiming the inheritance tax U-turn does not go far enough. Since starting this ro

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/live/2026/jan/08/starmer-labour-reform-uk-tories-two-child-benefit-cap-nigel-farage-kemi-badenoch-uk-politics-live-latest-news>

Labour to announce pub business rates U-turn after industry outcry

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 14:18:10 GMT

Change likely to be welcomed by pub trade and opposition but will represent yet another government climbdown UK politics live – latest updates Business live – latest updates Ministers are preparing to U-turn over changes to business rates for pubs after a wave of disquiet from the hospitality industry, the Guardian has

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2026/jan/08/labour-pub-business-rates-u-turn>

Farage accused of 'parroting Kremlin lines' after remarks on UK troops in Ukraine

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 11:20:37 GMT

Pat McFadden says stance on potential peace deployment casts doubt on Reform leader's commitment to national security UK politics live – latest updates Nigel Farage has been accused of "parroting Kremlin lines" after saying that he would vote against any UK government plans to deploy the military in Ukraine. On Tuesday

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2026/jan/08/farage-accused-of-parroting-kremlin-lines-after-remarks-on-uk-troops-in-ukraine>

## **Kemi Badenoch's illusory comeback**

Financial Times (World) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 09:30:07 GMT

Decent performances at PMQs will help her survive as leader, but she has failed to increase Tories' appeal where it matters

<https://www.ft.com/content/feec0158-2214-484a-b9c8-a482ab8e9662>

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### **John Swinney**

**Swinney** backs action against Russia after Scots airports used during tanker operation

BBC (UK) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 13:46:29 GMT

The first minister says he was not briefed on a US-led operation a few hundred miles off Scotland's coast.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c98j1l01p96o?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c98j1l01p96o?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

Tottenham's civil war: Micky van de Ven leads players scrapping with their fans and Cristian Romero blasts 'lies' from bosses in explosive statement - after Thomas Frank's Arsenal blunder

Daily Mail (Articles) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 10:29:33 +0000

Emotions hit a fever pitch on Wednesday evening, as Spurs let a crucial point slide in the dying minutes at the Vitality Stadium, courtesy of Antoine Semenyo's winner five minutes into added time.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/sport/football/article-15444765/Tottenhams-civil-war-Micky-van-Ven-players-scrapping-fans-Cristian-Romero-lies-bosses-explosive-statement-Thomas-Frank-Arsenal-blunder.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/sport/football/article-15444765/Tottenhams-civil-war-Micky-van-Ven-players-scrapping-fans-Cristian-Romero-lies-bosses-explosive-statement-Thomas-Frank-Arsenal-blunder.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

### **Ed Davey**

Man who threw six-year-old off Tate Modern balcony sentenced for attacking nurses at Broadmoor

Independent (News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 13:31:51 GMT

In 2020, Jonty Bravery was jailed for another 14 weeks after admitting attacking Broadmoor Hospital staff

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/crime/man-tate-modern-sentenced-broadmoor-attack-jonty-bravery-b2896661.html>

Revealed: the crypto entrepreneur linked to illegal weight-loss drug operation

Guardian (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 13:22:44 GMT

Exclusive: Haul of illicit products led by medicines regulator was described as world's largest of its kind, but no arrests have yet been made Wedged between an air-compressor service and an auto repair shop on a Northampton industrial estate is an undistinguished red-brick unit that was, until recently, the base for a

<https://www.theguardian.com/science/2026/jan/08/alluvi-weight-loss-drug-operation-raided-northampton>

Tate Modern attacker sentenced for nurse assaults

BBC (UK) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 11:18:32 GMT

Jonty Bravery kicked a nurse in the thigh and "clawed" at the face of a second, a court heard.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c050mpy3y30o?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c050mpy3y30o?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

Tate pusher Jonty Bravery who threw boy, six, off 100ft-high balcony refuses to attend court as he's handed extra 16-week sentence for attacking two nurses at Broadmoor

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 10:53:12 GMT

Jonty Bravery, pictured, was initially handed a life sentence after he admitted throwing a six-year-old French tourist off the viewing platform of the Tate Modern in London.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15441717/Tate-pusher-Jonty-Bravery-threw-boy-six-100ft-high-balcony-refuses-attend-court-hes-handed-extra-16-week-sentence-attacking-two-nurses-Broadmoor.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15441717/Tate-pusher-Jonty-Bravery-threw-boy-six-100ft-high-balcony-refuses-attend-court-hes-handed-extra-16-week-sentence-attacking-two-nurses-Broadmoor.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Should Prince Harry and Meghan Markle have their automatic taxpayer-funded police protection restored? Have your say in the Palace Confidential Poll

Daily Mail (Articles) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 08:08:30 +0000

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

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/royals/article-15441177/Prince-Harry-Meghan-Markle-taxpayer-funded-police-protection-poll.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/royals/article-15441177/Prince-Harry-Meghan-Markle-taxpayer-funded-police-protection-poll.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

Harvey Weinstein says jurors were bullied into convicting him. A judge is set to rule

Independent (News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 05:01:47 GMT

Harvey Weinstein is returning to a New York court

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/harvey-weinstein-new-york-hollywood-los-angeles-b2896574.html>

## **Rhun Ap Iorwerth**

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## **Mary Lou McDonald**

Trump's condemnation of Jan 6 rioters resurfaces after White House tries to 'rewrite history'

Independent (News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 12:23:05 GMT

A video of Donald Trump condemning the January 6 rioters in 2021 as "heinous" has resurfaced after his administration has been accused of attempting to rewrite history.

<https://www.independent.co.uk/tv/news/trump-jan-6-riot-capitol-hill-condemns-resurfaced-video-b2896784.html>

**McDonald**'s reported to watchdog as unions accuse firm of failing to tackle 'repeated harassment' against 'mostly teenage' staff

Daily Mail (UK News) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 11:58:52 GMT

Five trade unions are claiming McDonald's has violated international labour standards and say junior workers have been subjected to 'repeated episodes' of harassment.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15445269/McDonalds-reported-watchdog-unions-firm-failing-tackle-harassment-teenage-staff.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15445269/McDonalds-reported-watchdog-unions-firm-failing-tackle-harassment-teenage-staff.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

Donald Trump asserts control over Venezuela—and all the Americas

Economist (Latest) · Thu, 08 Jan 2026 10:45:18 +0000

But the president's claim of dominance over the western hemisphere may backfire

<https://www.economist.com/briefing/2026/01/08/donald-trump-asserts-control-over-venezuela-and-all-the-americas>

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