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## ***Nigel Farage***

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Aerial video shows scale of deadly landfill collapse as workers buried under mountain of garbage

Independent (News) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 10:16:07 GMT

A search is underway for people trapped under a mountain of garbage after a landfill collapsed in the Philippines on Friday (9 January), killing one person.

<https://www.independent.co.uk/tv/news/philippines-landfill-collapse-workers-buried-trash-video-b2897354.html>

Photos show aftermath of avalanche of garbage at a Philippines landfill

Independent (News) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 09:22:20 GMT

Officials say an avalanche of garbage and debris buried or trapped workers at a landfill in the Philippines, killing one person, injuring a dozen and leaving others missing.

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/philippines-b2897382.html>

Mother and brother of 'bubbly' teenage girl who was killed in house fire are charged with manslaughter

Daily Mail (Articles) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 09:00:15 +0000

Leah Casson, 18, died after a fire engulfed her home on Vicarage Street, in North Shields in the early hours of January 16, 2023.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15448361/Mother-brother-teenage-girl-killed-fire-manslaughter.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15448361/Mother-brother-teenage-girl-killed-fire-manslaughter.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

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<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/farage-reform-ethnic-pay-gap-law-delay-starmer-b2897006.html>

Landfill collapse kills 1 and leaves at least 27 missing, Philippine police say

Independent (News) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 04:51:38 GMT

A huge mound of garbage has collapsed in a waste segregation facility in a central Philippine city, killing one person and leaving at least 27 others missing

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/manila-search-and-rescue-efforts-cebu-city-facebook-b2897283.html>

## **Keir Starmer**

Donald Trump issues blunt warning to **Keir Starmer** as NATO alliance on the brink

Daily Express (Politics) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 10:42:00 +0000

US president says he may have to 'choose' between seizing Greenland and the Western alliance

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2155678/donald-trump-issues-blunt-warning>

X could be banned in UK amid sexualised AI images concerns

Independent (News) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 10:40:42 GMT

Sir Keir Starmer indicated that Elon Musk's social media platform could be blocked in the UK

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/x-twitter-ban-grok-ai-images-b2897351.html>

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The Prime Minister has asked for 'all options to be on the table' as regulator Ofcom looks into X and xAI, the firm which created the Grok AI tool.

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UK armed forces warn of £28bn defence funding shortfall

Financial Times (World) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 10:07:36 GMT

Military chiefs are wrangling with Keir Starmer's government over spending plan

<https://www.ft.com/content/71aa4abf-4ff3-480d-b6e0-03103142a338>

UK faces '£28bn defence funding shortfall', top military chief warns **Starmer**

Independent (News) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 09:08:51 GMT

The news of a reported shortfall comes as the UK this week pledged to put troops on the ground in Ukraine in the event of a ceasefire

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/defence-spending-military-budget-war-russia-b2897330.html>

UK forces 'face £28bn funding black hole' as fears of war with Russia mount - heaping pressure on **Starmer** to ramp up spending

Daily Mail (UK News) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 08:45:22 GMT

Keir Starmer is said to have been warned by the chief of the defence staff Richard Knighton that there is a huge gap in budgets over the next four years.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15448423/UK-forces-funding-black-hole-war-Russia-Starmer-spending.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15448423/UK-forces-funding-black-hole-war-Russia-Starmer-spending.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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**Starmer's** desperate bid to stop Trump grabbing Greenland: PM vows European states will do more to counter Arctic threat from Russia and China

Daily Mail (UK News) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 08:15:32 GMT

Keir Starmer held calls with the Danish leader and the head of NATO before speaking to the US President for the second time in two days.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15447457/Keir-Starmer-launches-frantic-bid-calm-crisis-Greenland-trying-persuade-Trump-NATO-defend-Arctic-without-US-takeover.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15447457/Keir-Starmer-launches-frantic-bid-calm-crisis-Greenland-trying-persuade-Trump-NATO-defend-Arctic-without-US-takeover.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

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City pushes back against closer ties with EU

City AM (News) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 07:50:39 +0000

Keir Starmer's plan to foster closer economic ties with the European Union is likely to exclude financial services after senior City figures pushed back against the reintroduction of EU regulations. The prime minister has called for "closer ties" with the EU in a bid to boost economic growth, with senior cabinet member

<https://www.cityam.com/city-pushes-back-against-closer-ties-with-eu/>

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## ***John Swinney***

**Swinney** says he would send troops to Ukraine if Scotland gains independence

BBC (Politics) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 06:19:52 GMT

The first minister also warned that the post-war peace in western Europe could be under threat.

[https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c0lx1nynl59o?at\\_medium=RSS&at\\_campaign=rss](https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c0lx1nynl59o?at_medium=RSS&at_campaign=rss)

## **Ed Davey**

Lib Dem-Labour coalition with **Ed Davey** as prime minister 'least unpopular' option among voters, poll finds

Independent (Politics) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 10:43:21 GMT

More than a third of voters (36 per cent) said they would support such a result while 45 per cent said they would oppose it

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/lib-dem-labour-coalition-yougov-poll-b2897395.html>

Storm Goretti live: rail services suspended, flights cancelled and schools closed across UK as 380,000 homes in France lose power

Guardian (UK News) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 10:37:09 GMT

Road, rail and air travel disrupted across the UK as Storm Goretti brings wind, rain and snow to the UK and parts of Europe Tell us: how have you been affected by Storm Goretti? Officials in the West Midlands have warned of the "worst snowfall in a decade" as parts of England and Wales prepare to be hit with 5-10cm of

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/live/2026/jan/09/storm-goretti-live-news-updates-uk-weather-snow-latest-met-office-warnings>

Tell us: how have you been affected by Storm Goretti?

Guardian (UK News) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 10:11:58 GMT

We would like to hear from people about the impact of the stormy weather conditions in the UK and parts of Europe Road, rail and air travel have been disrupted across the UK as Storm Goretti has brought wind, rain and snow to the country and parts of Europe . At the time of writing, there six weather warnings in place

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2026/jan/09/tell-us-how-have-you-been-affected-by-storm-goretti-uk-weather>

Harrowing details emerge about how a teen was allegedly attacked and stabbed after a wild Airbnb party in Shalvey spiralled out of control

Daily Mail (UK News) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 07:04:54 GMT

Police allege a 16-year-old boy was wielding a knife when he approached a 17-year-old boy outside a house in Shalvey, in Sydney's west, on Tuesday night.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15448293/shalvey-stabbing-airbnb-party.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490&ito=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-15448293/shalvey-stabbing-airbnb-party.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490&ito=1490)

CHRISTOPHER STEVENS reviews last night's TV: Hairy Biker Si swaps his leathers for a silk scarf in a welcome return to TV

Daily Mail (Articles) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 01:21:56 +0000

Britain's Favourite Railway Stations (More4) is an unspectacular but well-chosen comeback for Si King in the wake of the death of his Hairy Bikers pal Dave Myers in 2024.

[https://www.dailymail.co.uk/tv/article-15447481/CHRISTOPHER-STEVENS-reviews-nights-TV-Hairy-Biker-Si-swaps-leathers-silk-scarf-welcome-return-TV.html?ns\\_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns\\_campaign=1490](https://www.dailymail.co.uk/tv/article-15447481/CHRISTOPHER-STEVENS-reviews-nights-TV-Hairy-Biker-Si-swaps-leathers-silk-scarf-welcome-return-TV.html?ns_mchannel=rss&ito=1490&ns_campaign=1490)

## **Rhun Ap Iorwerth**

— no mentions today —

## **Mary Lou McDonald**

Donald Trump torn apart for 'destroying world order' as European leaders give warning

Daily Mirror (News) · Fri, 9 Jan 2026 10:18:39 +0000

German president Frank-Walter Steinmeier claimed Donald Trump had gone 'far beyond' what was acceptable and warned of weaker nations being preyed on if world politics turns into a 'den of robbers'

<https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/politics/donald-trump-torn-apart-destroying-36523718>

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

Daily Mail (UK News) · Fri, 09 Jan 2026 08:02:36 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)

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