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? Top Story

Man dies after tiger attack at Yorkshire Wildlife Park A man died at the scene after entering the tiger enclosure at the park near Doncaster, just before police were called at 13:35 BST on Saturday. South Yorkshire Police say the tiger attacked him; the animal was uninjured and remained in the enclosure. The park is closed for the rest of the weekend. Witness Karmelle Pelham said she heard what sounded like "gunshots" and saw a black tarpaulin over the enclosure, praising staff for a "very, very well organised" evacuation. Doncaster MPs Ed Miliband and Lee Pitcher both paid tribute to emergency services. Police have asked people not to share footage circulating online. The Land of the Tigers reserve houses endangered Amur tigers (~500 left in the wild). Dominates the Sunday papers: Daily Star "Tiger attack horror", Sunday People "Killed in tiger horror", Sunday Mirror "Tiger Park Horror" — witnesses told the Mirror "the keepers did everything they could". BBC News

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?? UK Politics

- **Trump–Zelensky diesel row threatens UK–US rift** — The Sunday Times leads on Trump telling Zelensky "it's time to go" after Ukraine condemned the US plan to buy 1m+ tonnes of Russian diesel. Burnham has offered Zelensky his "full support" plus stronger sanctions on Moscow; the Sunday Telegraph says Trump's anger "threatens to deepen the rift" with the PM. The Observer says Trump has "thrown diesel on the fire" to woo back his base.
- **Badenoch ready for a pre-Christmas election** — The Tory leader told the Mail on Sunday she's put her party on notice for a snap poll, believing Burnham might strike while enjoying a poll bounce and with "the Green Party and the Liberal Democrats in disarray". She doesn't believe his "no election any time soon" assurances. She has also said the

Tories would scrap inheritance tax on family homes, and separately: "I'd rather have another election than do a deal with Reform UK."

- **Burnham to scrap photo ID at polling stations** — The Sunday Telegraph reports the PM is rushing through laws to axe voter ID checks; Downing Street says changes keep the system "secure, fair and accessible". Burnham also promises to curb non-compete clauses in job contracts.
- **Greens in crisis: Polanski vows to stay** — After the Holborn & St Pancras by-election defeat, Zack Polanski faces the "greatest crisis of his leadership" (Chris Mason), was challenged on whether he thinks Israel has the right to exist, but vows to remain leader. Labour saw off the Green challenge to hold Holborn — Sagal Abdi-Wali elected as the new MP.
- **Lib Dem MP quits frontbench over Ed Davey's leadership** — A frontbench resignation citing Davey's leadership adds to opposition turmoil.
- **Sunday Express: "EU would 'plunder' Britain if Brexit reversed"** — Badenoch accuses Burnham of wanting to reopen "tedious and divisive Brexit debates" ahead of next month's landmark UK-EU summit. French finance minister Roland Lescure told the BBC the UK should "come all the way" back to the EU.
- **MPs seek to overturn police immunity ruling** — Cross-party MPs are trying to overturn a ruling that stops police being sued for failings.
- **Widdecombe suspect had 'particular hostility to Reform'** — Court told in the trial of Joshua Kerry over the attack on Ann Widdecombe.
- **King warns malicious online actors are 'evolving tactics'** — Charles III's message on digital threats, during his Great British Energy visit period.

? World

- □□ **Riyadh airport attack: 12 killed, 300+ injured** — The deadliest single attack on a Gulf Arab state since the Israel/US–Iran war began in February. Dead: four Saudis, two Bangladeshis, and one each from the US, Jordan, Palestine, Syria, Sudan and Egypt. A Saudi-led coalition called it a "war crime" and blamed Yemen's Houthis, who claimed earlier strikes on the same airport Thursday. Trump called it "terrible" and said the US may intervene; Telegraph sources say he may join Saudi strikes. Worst attack in the kingdom since May 2015. BBC Live
- **Russian glide bomb attack on Zaporizhzhia kills at least 20** — One of the deadliest single strikes of the war on the Ukrainian city.
- **US: Hurricane Isaias — four dead, thousands without power** — Roofs blown off apartment complexes in Milton, Florida.
- **US DOJ investigates TV networks over Trump pool coverage** — Press-freedom clash escalates.
- **Poland: third school knife attack in a week** — A woman injured three people in the latest incident.
- **Myanmar: young men fear being snatched off streets and sold to the army** — BBC investigation; a headmaster was also detained after a BBC probe into alleged sexual

abuse of students.
- **Delhi braces for more protests** as leaders of the "cockroach" protest group are released.
- **Christa Pike discharged from hospital 10 days after failed execution** — US death-row story back in the news cycle.
- **Nord Stream trial** — How German police followed the evidence to Ukraine.
- **Nobel peace laureate Navi Pillay says US sanctions on the ICC are "unacceptable".**
- **Pope Leo condemns the death penalty** as Trump's federal execution schedule expands (AP).

??????? Wales

- **Worker paralysed in 30ft pylon fall gets £10m payout** — One of the largest personal-injury settlements in Wales.
- **Drakeford suggests the Wales Office should go** — The ex-first minister questions the UK government department's role.
- **M4 junction closure plan will 'make traffic worse', say locals** — Residents near the motorway object to the proposed closure.
- **'Thuggish' behaviour could see balaclava ban in more cities** — Following Cardiff's move, other Welsh cities consider bans.
- **Hundreds protest over data centre plans** — Large demonstration against a proposed Welsh data centre development.
- **Woman found dead in burning van was pregnant, police say** — Police confirm the tragic detail in the ongoing investigation.
- **Powys councillor storms out over £440,000 school payment dispute** (National Wales Daily Post).
- **Welsh Government backs period dignity on International Day of the Girl** — GOV.WALES press release, 11 October.

? Science / Weather

- **Northern Lights stun UK down to England's south coast** — Rare aurora display visible in pink, green and purple hues as far south as the Channel coast on Friday night.
- **UK launches flood taskforce for extreme winter weather** — New national taskforce to prepare for winter flooding; polar-vortex snow speculation circulating.
- **Drones hunting hidden peatland fires beneath the Cairngorms** — Tech story on smouldering underground fires.

? Feel-Good

- **Kiwi feather cloak returns home** — Ceremony in Oxfordshire marks the repatriation of a historic kahu kiwi to New Zealand.
- **Ayra Starr makes history at NFL half-time show in London** — Afrobeats singer on the milestone performance.
- **Dad thankful charity scan revealed 'silent' heart attack** — Welsh charity's scan caught a symptomless cardiac event.
- **Amelia Earhart search** — Expedition hopes to find the aviator's plane on a remote Pacific island.

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