

NewsOfTheWeek:

(week commencing 8/1/24)

Monday:

Politics:

- Belarus refuses to invite OSCE observers to monitor upcoming elections (Euronews- [link](#))
- Sunak would 'strongly support' review into revoking CBE of ex-Post Office boss (The Telegraph- [link](#))
- Jordan says Israel's Netanyahu must not be allowed to drag region into wider war (Reuters- [link](#))
- Secretary of State urged to intervene before strike by public sector workers (The Independent- [link](#))
- Three quarters of Britons think country in a worse state now than when Tories came to power (Sky News- [link](#))
- Andy Burnham tells Starmer 'stick to your guns' on £28bn green investment (Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Mark Drakeford says 'genuinely confused drivers will escape 20mph speeding fine in Wales (Sky News- [link](#))
- Red Sea response not escalating despite UK sending in new warship – Shapps (Independent- [link](#))
- First Minister Humza Yousaf describes UK as the 'poor man of northwestern Europe' in Independence speech (Sky News- [link](#))
- Sunak 'wanted to scrap Rwanda scheme' at start of leadership campaign (Sky News- [link](#))
- Pentagon says it is not planning a US withdrawal from Iraq (Reuters- [link](#))
- Legal migration to EU must increase as workforce ages, commissioner says (Reuters- [link](#))

Death:

- Senior Hezbollah commander killed in Israeli air strike (The Telegraph- [link](#))
- Franz Beckenbauer, World Cup-winning captain and manager dies aged 78 (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Young lover in famous Paris kiss photo dies aged 93 (The Times- [link](#))

Environmental/weather/space:

- UK weather: Snow hits south-east England as cold spell takes hold (BBC News- [link](#))
- Life on Venus may be possible in acidic clouds, claim scientists (Newsweek- [link](#))
- Japan quake survivors, without power or water, seek news on rebuild plans (Reuters- [link](#))
- Government response to flooding was to 'stare out the window', Labour says (The Guardian- [link](#))

Miscellaneous (random):

- UK Charity Under Investigation as fundraising Videos for Israeli Military Appear to Feature Palestinians Being Killed (Byline Times- [link](#))
- Andrew Tate to regain access to supercars and properties after court overturns decision to seize his assets (Sky News- [link](#))
- Royal Navy forced to advertise for rear-admiral on LinkedIn (The Times- [link](#))
- FA gathering evidence for potential investigation into Maddy Cusack's death (The Athletic- [link](#))
- Sky Sports to broadcast 2023 Africa Cup of Nations matches (The Athletic- [link](#))
- David Cameron joins Britain's poshest members' club (Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Alaska Airlines plane had pressurisation warnings before mid-air blowout (Sky News- [link](#))
- Explosions and police kidnappings: violence sweeps across Ecuador after gang leader 'escapes' prison (ITV News- [link](#))

Tuesday:

Politics:

- Gabriel Attal names France's youngest prime minister (LeMonde- [link](#))
- Michael Gove appears to arrive at cabinet meeting with injured face (The Independent- [link](#))
- British FM 'worried Israel may have breached international law in Gaza (ALJAZEERA- [link](#))
- Convicted MPs arrested at Poland's presidential palace- media (Reuters- [link](#))
- David Cameron Blames Foreign Office And Home Office Disconnect For Historic Failures On Immigration (Politics Home- [link](#))
- Brits warned of 14-hour queues at the border for the next three years due to new EU rules (The Sun- [link](#))
- Far-right rise could make Europe ungovernable- EU liberals (Reuters- [link](#))
- Nikki Haley denies calling to raise retirement age seconds before admitting she did (The Independent- [link](#))
- Donald Trump: There will be bedlam if I'm not given legal immunity (The Times- [link](#))
- Michigan GOP Senate candidate Mike Rogers backs Trump (The Hill- [link](#))
- Two British hostages still held by Hamas, Cameron confirms (The Independent- [link](#))
- No permanent budget for free school meals in London, Sadiq Khan warns (Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Tory MP appeals for unity ahead of Rwanda bill's return to parliament (Sky News- [link](#))

Energy:

- Hunt 'bitterly disappointed' at court ruling on gas drilling in local area (Evening Standard- [link](#))

Death:

- Sinead O'Connor died of natural causes, says Coroner (The Telegraph- [link](#))
- Japan hit by powerful new earthquake as death toll from New Year's Day disaster passes 200 (Evening Standard- [link](#))

Environmental/weather/space:

- Poland to halt logging in 10 of its most ancient forests (The Guardian- [link](#))
- EU report confirms that 2023 was the hottest year on record (CNN- [link](#))

Miscellaneous (random):

- Paula Vennells: Ex-Post Office boss handling back CBE over IT scandal (BBC News- [link](#))
- Narendra Modi labelled a 'clown' for Maldives holiday pictures (The Times- [link](#))
- Police investigating after 14 people found in a vehicle at Irish port (Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Ukrainian athletes ask France to ban Russia at 2024 Olympics (ESPN- [link](#))
- Thousands of sardines mysteriously wash up on shore in 'bad omen' hours before earthquake (The Mirror- [link](#))
- Egypt rejects Israeli request to monitor buffer zone with Gaza- sources (Reuters- [link](#))
- Sports minister vows to act over Joey Barton's misogynistic posts (The Times- [link](#))
- US congressional panel seeks documents from Harvard in antisemitism probe (Reuters- [link](#))
- Former prisons chief blasts 'panicky' response to overcrowding crisis (The Independent- [link](#))

Wednesday:

Politics:

- Horizon scandal: PM announces mass exonerations for sub-postmasters (ITV News- [link](#))
- Ecuador 'at war' with drug gangs, says president as violence continues (The Guardian- [link](#))
- New French PM seeks strong worded message on law on order (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Rishi Sunak probed in Commons over private jet expenses and wife's company (The Independent- [link](#))
- Ban on public bodies boycotting Israel clears the Commons (Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Tory Rwanda rebel MPs grow to 40 as Sunak heads for Commons showdown (The I- [link](#))
- SNP ministers criticised after spending £150k so far on independence papers (The Scotsman- [link](#))
- Tory MP Says UK Government Must Not "Turn A Blind Eye" On Afghanistan (Politics Home- [link](#))
- Irish minister says South Africa has 'irrefutable' points on Gaza conflict (The Independent- [link](#))
- US condemns attacks by armed groups in Ecuador, offers more cooperation (Reuters- [link](#))
- Trump blasts Fox News for its polling coverage, hours before Iowa town hall (Politico- [link](#))
- Haley hits Deantis in ad ahead of debate: 'The more Ron loses, the more he lies' (The Hill- [link](#))
- St. Paul swears in all-female City Council in historic first (The Hill- [link](#))
- 'Britain is breaking' as Tories have 'lost control', says Starmer in heated PMQs clash (The Independent- [link](#))

Energy:

- Oil lobby warns Biden voters 'watching' energy policies (Houston Chronicle- [link](#))

Death

- IDF claims it's killed another Hezbollah leader as Blinken says Gaza death toll 'too high' (ITV News- [link](#))

Miscellaneous (random):

- Ancient DNA helps trace multiple sclerosis origins in European descendants (The Washington Post- [link](#))
- 'caring and sensitive' mum, 31, left dying for over a day after fall at home, as partner didn't call 999 for 33 hours (LBC- [link](#))
- Finland blocks three Russian property acquisitions (Reuters- [link](#))
- Driver shoves protesters blocking Manhattan bridge as they call for Gaza ceasefire (The Independent- [link](#))
- Israel Hamas war: IDF denies deliberately driving over Palestinian's dead body (The Telegraph- [link](#))
- Schoolchildren must discuss Israel-Gaza conflict with 'respect and kindness', London headteacher says (Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Boeing admits mistake over plane door blowout (BBC News- [link](#))
- BBC apologises for reporting Hamas claim without corroboration (The Times- [link](#))
- Federal judge pauses Ohio social media law requiring parental consent for kids' accounts (CNN- [link](#))
- Team principal Guenther Steiner leaves Haas F1 team (The Times- [link](#))
- Social worker wins harassment claim over gender-critical views (The Times- [link](#))
- Home Office starts X-raying migrants' bones and teeth to determine their age (The i- [link](#))

Thursday:

Politics:

- PM 'holding full Cabinet call' amid speculation of strike over Red Sea attacks (Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Britain and US prepare to strike Houthi rebels in Yemen (The Telegraph- [link](#))
- Pro-Israel and Palestinian groups rally outside UN court genocide hearings (Reuters- [link](#))
- Senior SNP figures urge PM to recall Parliament over Red Sea attacks speculation (The Independent- [link](#))
- I didn't know about the Horizon prosecutions, says Keir Starmer (BBC News- [link](#))
- Yousaf to pitch for 'Tory-free Scotland' at SNP election campaign launch (The Independent- [link](#))
- Brexit: New report suggests UK £311bn worse off by 2035 due to leaving the EU (Sky News- [link](#))
- Humza Yousaf 'forced into U-turn' over American XL bully dogs ban (The Times- [link](#))
- Disgraced former Tory MP Peter Bone spotted campaigning for girlfriend in seat he was stripped from (The Independent- [link](#))
- Lawmakers announce creation of bipartisan group on AI (The Hill- [link](#))
- Only Keir Starmer knows what he meant by PM jibe, says minister (The Times- [link](#))

Energy:

- Norway becomes first country to back controversial deep-sea mining (Euronews- [link](#))

Environment/weather:

- Residents facing 'health environmental Crisis' due to overflowing bins (STV News- [link](#))

Miscellaneous (random):

- No small boats have crossed the Channel for 25 days- the longest break since 2020 (Sky News- [link](#))
- Finland extends Russia border closing by four weeks (Reuters- [link](#))
- 'Highly unlikely' violent transgender inmates will be housed in women's jails, says Scottish Prison Service Boss (Sky News- [link](#))
- Premier League clubs may not learn any points deductions until after season (The Athletic- [link](#))
- British Airways pilot 'kidnapped and tortured' during stopover shopping trip (Sky News- [link](#))
- Keir Starmer used Qatar-funded private jet for Emir trip (BBC News- [link](#))
- US imposes sanctions over transfer of North Korean ballistic missiles to Russia (Reuters- [link](#))
- Skip hire man fined £215,000 for thousand tonne mound of waste (STV News- [link](#))
- Air Canada Passenger Falls Out of Airplane After Opening Cabin Door (Huffpost- [link](#))

Friday:

Politics:

- Houthis vow revenge after UK and US launch airstrikes on Yemen (The Independent- [link](#))
- Tony Blair was warned Horizon IT system could be flawed, documents show (BBC News- [link](#))
- High Court quashes unlawful policy on vulnerable people in immigration detention (ITV News- [link](#))
- Iran will send more weapons to Houthis to help them respond to strikes (The I- [link](#))
- Humza Yousaf denounced after declining Westminster invitation (The Times- [link](#))
- Fresh missile attack reported on Houthi targets (The Independent- [link](#))
- Britain tells Iran to 'cease and desist' after strikes on Tehran-backed Houthis (Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Labour considers non-dom tax plan that would raise £1bn less than initial pledge (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Bid to recall Stormont Assembly next week (The Independent- [link](#))
- Labour back Houthi strikes but warn of risk of escalation (The I- [link](#))
- DeSantis plans to go to South Carolina directly after Iowa in nod to Haley (The Hill- [link](#))

Death:

- Lucy Charles: Body found in river following major search for missing woman (The Independent- [link](#))

Miscellaneous (random):

- Reports of 'suspicious' small boats near merchant ships in Red Sea despite US-UK airstrikes (Sky News- [link](#))
- Italy denies Argentina's request to extradite priest accused of murder and torture (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Hundreds of thousands expected at weekend protests in London after Yemen strikes (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Hunter Biden's silent protest in Congress incenses Republican's (The Times- [link](#))

Saturday:

Politics:

- Paula Vennells: May government pushed CBE despite Horizon concerns (The Times- [link](#))
- Taiwan's new president Lai Ching-te issues defiant message to China after historic election win (The Independent- [link](#))
- Nobody can stop Israel's war, including the world court, PM Benjamin Netanyahu says (ITV News- [link](#))
- Netanyahu says Israel will cut Gaza off from Egypt, taking control of Palestinian enclave's remaining border (CNN- [link](#))
- Ed Davey facing general election challenge from former Post Office worker (The Independent- [link](#))
- David Cameron says Britain ready to strike again if Houthis continue Red Sea attacks (The Independent- [link](#))
- Sunak warned by three Tory right leaders they could vote against the Rwanda Bill (The Independent- [link](#))
- Every Channel boat crossing costs taxpayers around £30m, Robert Jenrick warns – as he urges PM to toughen up Rwanda Bill (The Sun- [link](#))
- Keir Starmer backs Yemen bombing and issues stern warning to 'terror sponsors' Iran (The Independent- [link](#))
- Trump rallies Iowa voters via teleconference amid winter storm (The Hill- [link](#))

Environment/weather/space:

- From Ontario's 'snowmageddon' to Vancouver's 'skidding cars': Fierce winter hits Canada in Messy weather week (Yahoo News- [link](#))
- Mother Nature Cancels Trump as winter storms sabotage rallies in Iowa (Business Insider- [link](#))
- UK weather: Cold blast and more snow in store for some next week (BBC News- [link](#))

Miscellaneous (random):

- 'This is spiraling': alarm as youth homelessness soars in UK since Christmas (The Guardian- [link](#))
- New law could force Fujitsu to pay back every single postmaster who lost cash in Horizon scandal (The Sun- [link](#))
- Police on high alert for pro-Israel rally in London (The Times- [link](#))
- All Ecuador prison staff held hostage by inmates now free, officials say (Reuters- [link](#))
- Yemen's Houthis vow strong response after new US Strike (Reuters- [link](#))
- Migrants cross English Channel for the first time in 2024 (Sky News- [link](#))
- Thousands of pro-Palestinian protesters march in London (The Guardian- [link](#))
- US Defence Secretary Lloyd Austin remains in hospital with prostate cancer (Sky News- [link](#))
- Russian Orthodox priest faces expulsion for refusing to pray for war victory (Reuters- [link](#))
- Charles learned Queen died while 'driving back to Balmoral from picking mushrooms' (The Independent- [link](#))
- Quaker Oats expands recall of products with salmonella risk (The Independent- [link](#))

Sunday:

For Sunday, Stories published after 7pm will not be included

Politics:

- Luciana Berger given key labour role after quitting over antisemitism (The Guardian- [link](#))
- Yvonne Tracey: the former postmistress coming for Ed Davey's seat (The Sunday Times- [link](#))
- David Cameron hits out at South Africa's 'unhelpful' genocide claims about Israel (The Independent- [link](#))
- Suella Braverman joins thousands at London rally 'in solidarity with Israel' (The Independent- [link](#))
- Keir Starmer warns of rising antisemitism and vows never to let it take hold in labour again (The Independent- [link](#))
- RAF strikes not an escalation in Middle East conflict, Lord Cameron insists (The Independent- [link](#))
- Keir Starmer appears to backtrack on arms sales to Saudi Arabia (The Mirror- [link](#))
- Trump legal team rejects calls for testimony limits in defamation case (Reuters- [link](#))
- Poll shows 72% of Republicans would be satisfied with Trump as nominee (The Hill- [link](#))

Death:

- Man and woman arrested after child dies in Darlington (Evening Standard- [link](#))
- Nagham Abu Samrah: Gaza karate champion dies after being injured in missile strike (Sky News- [link](#))
- Five people dead after attempting English Channel crossing (The Independent- [link](#))

Environment/weather/space:

- Iceland volcano: Homes go up in flames as lava reaches evacuated town after eruption (Sky News- [link](#))

Miscellaneous (random):

- Activists protest at British base in Cyprus used in Yemen strikes (Reuters- [link](#))
- Ships 'declaring links to China or Russia' to avoid Houthi attacks in Red Sea (The i- [link](#))
- Tony Blair's think Tank given £200 million by tech billionaire (The Sunday Times- [link](#))

