

# Nigel Farage Steps Up on Fox News

[Fox News](#), Mr Farage said the authorities had turned a 'blind eye' to the growth of ghettos where 'the police and all the normal agents of the law have withdrawn and that is where Sharia law has come in'.

Mr Farage's controversial remarks came after US terror 'expert' Steve Emerson sparked ridicule by claiming Birmingham was 'totally Muslim' and religious police squads were roaming the streets of London.

Communities Secretary Eric Pickles accused Mr Farage of 'pandering to peoples' worst fears' and branded his comments 'irresponsible and wrong'.

The Ukip leader was interviewed yesterday by presenter Sean Hannity on the causes of the Paris massacre, following his comments last week in which he blamed a 'fifth column' and 'gross multiculturalism' for the attacks.

In yesterday's interview, Mr Hannity asked why Britain and other countries had allowed 'people to come to the country, not assimilate, separate, take their land ostensibly and then risk even being at war with them'.

Mr Farage said: 'I agreed with your sentiments entirely'.

He added: 'So wherever you look you see this blind eye being turned and you see the growth of ghettos where the police and all the normal agents of the law have withdrawn and that is where Sharia Law has come in.'

Mr Farage said the imposition of Sharia law meant there had been no prosecutions for the 'tens of thousands' of female genital mutilations carried out in Britain.

He said 'moral cowardice' was to blame for the police not trying to catch Muslim men involved in child abuse in parts of Northern England.

Mr Farage said: 'We've been turning a blind eye to preachers of hate that have been coming here from the Middle East and saying things for which the rest of us would be arrested.'

'In parts of northern England we've seen the sexual grooming of under-age girls committed by Muslim men, in the majority, and for all of these things we are seeing the law not being applied equally, we're seeing the police forces not doing their job because we've suffered from moral cowardice.'

'We have through mass immigration and through not checking the details of those people who have come to our countries, we have allowed big ghettos to develop and when it comes to confronting tough issues we're run a mile and that is why we're in the mess we're in, we've been led very badly.'

He said: 'We even, a few years ago, had some quite clear examples where the immigration services were actually allowing women to come into Britain from Pakistan and elsewhere to join polygamous marriages something that is against our law...