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Keir Starmer MP, Labour's Shadow

Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union, commenting on the Government's

latest Brexit policy papers, said:

"These papers come months after the EU published their plans and offer precious little new information or concrete proposals.

"It is increasingly clear that the Government are publishing bland, non-committal papers as a smokescreen to mask their failure to make any meaningful progress on phase one's core negotiating issues – including citizens' rights.

"Instead of preparing the ground for failure, the Government should focus on reaching an early agreement to the first stage of talks and make an early commitment to establish strong transitional arrangements."