

One word: path-et-ic

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I'm coming over a bit all Craig Revel Horwood this morning as a result of a [report in the Guardian this morning](#) that says:

Theresa May discussed the [Paradise Papers](#) with the leaders of 10 British overseas territories at their annual gathering in Downing Street on Tuesday, with the prime minister urging further action to combat tax avoidance.

A cross-party group of 12 MPs wrote to the prime minister last week requesting she set a deadline for tax haven jurisdictions under British control to publish registers of the real owners of shell companies.

May raised the issue of public registers at the meeting, a government source confirmed, and said work on tax avoidance could help enhance reputations internationally. However, the prime minister has so far refused to endorse the measure, which was [championed by her predecessor](#), David Cameron.

There's just one word that can be said in response to that. Path-et-ic.