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Dear M

As a result of the deplorable situation regarding M.P.'s Remuneration + Expenses I contacted my M.P. Angela Smith, she provided me with your name and address stating your department would be investigating the situation.

As former Head of Work Study/Method Study at a Division of I.C.I. responsible for the design + implementation of many types of pay + incentive schemes prior to retirement I thought I could make a contribution.

I have subjected Current Remuneration + Other Expenses to Critical examination and found them open to abuse, I ∴ decided to provide you with possible alternative methods which eliminate possible abuse + provides an incentive for M.P.'s to attend Parliament on a regular basis.

Should you be interested in my proposals I would wish to participate and attend hearings.

Yours faithfully

Remuneration and Expenses Investigation

Results

I have subjected to critical analysis as many aspects of the Cost to Taxpayers incurred by M.P. both front and back benches.

- (a) for Constituencies within an x Radius of the House of Commons and :-
- (b) for Constituencies outside this area.

I have eliminated those costs which are complex and open to misinterpretation and which would involve considerable and unnecessary costs to administer.

Possible Alternatives

For M.P.s within x miles of the House of Commons.

- 1 Fixed Annual Salary
- 2 Fixed Cost of Running Office
- 3 Fixed Travel Allowance

This would eliminate any claims and administration would be virtually nil.

If an M.P.'s attendance is less than say $y\%$ pa. then salary should be reduced by $z\%$

This would prove to be an incentive and would wipe out any travel Allowance unused.

B/ for M.P.s outside the α Radius of the House of Commons

- 1 Fixed Annual Salary
- 2 Fixed Cost of Running Office
- 3 Fixed Travel Allowance. i.e. sum of weeks Parliament is sitting \times Cost of Return journey to Constituency
- 4 Fixed Sum for London accommodation be it purchased Rented or Hotel.

No claims to be allowed for Rates, Insurance furniture fittings or any other services or items.

Accommodation not to be let or occupied by third party.

If two M.P.s i.e. man & wife or Partners then only one allowance to be made for Purchased or Rented property

If an M.P.s is less than say 5% p.a. in attendance then salary should be reduced to 3% p.a.

This would prove to be an incentive and would wipe out any travel allowance unused

Conclusion

The above methods of payment have been designed to eliminate any misunderstandings or sleaze.

It would reduce Public Suspicion about M.P.s, and M.P.s would not have to explain expenditure.

All could hold heads high in the best tradition of British Justice and fair play.

I have designed modifications slightly different to the above but all would tender points which could be exploited. These are available if required.

Additional Information

Consideration should be given to Building small flats as part of the accommodation for participants in the Olympic Games. After the games these could be retained for use by M.P.s from Constituencies outside London.