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MPs Expenses,
Chairman of the
Review Body,

Heywood

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Dear Sir,

I am writing to you because I am very concerned about the controversy over MPs expenses and the damage this is doing to democracy.

I believe that there is a very simple solution to this complex and costly issue.

I put this idea forward to a very senior MP, many months ago.

My suggestion would eliminate most of the bureaucracy of

administration & be far more transparent.

The present system should be ~~not~~ scrapped completely.

In outline, these are my suggestions.

① Only MPs living more than 25 miles from the House of Commons would qualify.

② Expenses would be replaced with a loan system.

③ MPs would be able to obtain a grant in the region of £5 - 10,000 / annum. The total loan being limited to £50,000, which could be index linked to state pensions.

(4) The loan would be repaid in full, when the I.P. was no longer a sitting member.

(5) R.epayment would be funded by the sale of one their properties.

With this system in place everything would be above board & transparent & far easier to administer.

I am sure it would be welcomed by the electorate.

I hope you can implement something along these lines.
yours sincerely,

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This scheme would eliminate the need to set up another separate body to oversee expense claims, as suggested by some MPs. This would just add more costs for the taxpayer. I realise MPs may not like my idea, but there has been far too much abuse of the system. It is essential that this is stopped & my scheme would do that.

Also if it was recognised that the loan had to be repaid, maybe MPs would not be so profligate again.

People living in grace & favour properties, would not be able to claim for another home.