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MPs salaries must be raised, not least because of the reduction of their expenses
That reduction is quite right
- the expenses were unjustifiable and the office concerned should not have allowed them
But clearly MPs must be paid a salary commensurate with their responsibilities
Otherwise their responsibilities will be secondary to their outside interests

Those of us who care about politics, who care about democracy,
want MPs of top calibre, serving their constituents first and foremost
For which reason I am very much against any form of PR
Candidates must compete openly for the majority vote of my town,
my neighbours & fellow constituents
- not secretly for a place on their party's or pressure group's slate
There are far too many forms of voting nowadays for new institutions
This only confuses the electorate and makes them less likely to vote
Thank goodness that noone has yet tinkered with FPTP voting for Parliament, that very ancient institution
whose history and democratic traditions are respected worldwide
Any constitutional change to Parliament must be the subject of a referendum, I submit

It is manifestly clear that public opinion will not tolerate an increase in MPs salaries without an increase in
their responsibilities
The way to achieve this seems clear
Halve the number of MPs and you can double their salaries

Please pass this proposal (by no means original) to the subcommittee considering this matter

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