

Susie Uppal
Chief Executive
Press Recognition Panel

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Dear Susie,

I write with regard to your correspondence with Evan Harris dated 3 November.

Alan's remarks at the Society of Editors conference were based on your recent annual report on the recognition system which says:

"It was anticipated by the framing of the Charter that the PRP would become self-funding through fees charged to recognised regulators. Since publishers have not moved towards recognition, it is unclear how the funding framework can follow the expected path." (page 8)

and

"It was anticipated by the framing of the Charter that the PRP would transition to becoming self-funding by charging applicants who apply for recognition and fees to recognised regulators. As most publishers have not moved towards recognition, the funding framework [sic] has not followed the path that was clearly anticipated" (page 25)

The report acknowledges that the PRP will not be funded by the regulators it recognises. In the absence of a credible route to self-funding, the inescapable conclusion is that you will need the state to continue to fund the PRP for the PRP to continue its work.

Yours sincerely

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Matt Tee
Chief Executive