

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a lay member of the public. I have been appalled by the way many innocent members of the public have had their lives ruined by the behaviour of some sections of the press, much of which activity was illegal.

The Press Complaints Commission proved totally inadequate as a channel of complaint for these individuals, and I do not believe that the newspaper industry's new 'Independent' Press Standards Organisation will be any better.

I was greatly impressed by the thoroughness with which Lord Leveson conducted his enquiry and I believe that the recommendations of the Leveson Report should be implemented fully with the creation of a Royal Charter.

It is not acceptable that complaints from members of the public about press behaviour continue to be investigated by a body which has a conflict of interest.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Ken Houston