

Consultation - Press Recognition Panel

Panel :

Fear of a Statutory Regulatory Backstop by corporate press who say it will never be needed is irrational - If it will never be needed as the press promises, then it will never be noticed, and may be totally ignored by all and sundry forever and forever and

Thus, Government fear of legislating for a Statutory Regulatory Backstop is also irrational.

Fear of students of human nature when welded to the profit motive, that the Last Chance Saloon has every chance of becoming The Wild West Show again, is perfectly rational.

Not realpolitik, but realism dictates that The Localism Act 2012 needs both an accountable national press and accountable local press if Democracy is to be served, and the route to the glittering prize of Parliament is not to be littered with 'Wanted! Dead or alive!' posters.

In Selby District the significant local press has been bought by USA publishing giant Gannett Inc intent on perverting democracy by continuously siding with local criminals, and has perverted the course of justice and thus democracy by actually publishing to support, if not, indeed, to incite Selby District Council to 'fiddle its books' in support of the criminality it refuses to even hint at in publication – one of the culprits, quondam Secretary of State DCLG The Right Honourable Eric Pickles MP, desperate for the Coalition to get 995 dwellings built – the source of the rampant criminality threatening lives and properties without any redress whatsoever - in the face of Lord Wolfson's blackmail to not build housing unless 'out of town' building-ban is lifted, even if having to, as he actually did, actively support the criminals, is recorded in Parliament 2012 referring to the local press as 'bastions of local democracy' – how hard he was laughing up his sleeve at the time was not recorded by the significant press?

In six years I have been unable to gain a press interest in an appalling situation which pre-dates my accidentally bumping into the issues simply whilst attempting to protect my family

Of what use to anyone other than the press is a similar body with a similar mind-set, set unchangeably on establishing press power, the power to do or not do as business and profit dictate?

Or so it seems to the general public.

Panel, do you genuinely expect public confidence to be invested in a self-regulatory press body, when such a body is responsible for creating the issues causing Leveson and your very existence?

Will you, please, do what everybody including you Panel, knows to be the right thing?

Sincerely

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