



# Justice & Anti-Corruption Party

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Dear Mr Clegg

## **Re Mike Hancock MP CBE**

I am writing this open letter to you on behalf of the Justice and Anti-Corruption Party (the JAC Party), which has two candidates standing in the Parliamentary Elections on 6 May 2010.

The aim of the JAC Party is to expose injustice and corruption involving MPs and local Councils, and bring it to the attention of the media. It will do this by publishing the **facts** of what has been happening on its websites, and letting the public decide what is dishonest or corrupt.

This letter concerns Mr Mike Hancock the Liberal Democrat MP for Portsmouth South. It came to our attention that Mr Hancock is the only MP who also holds a paid position as an Executive Member of his local council. We also found that Mr Hancock had arranged that daughter and wife have been paid as Portsmouth City Councillors and as his parliamentary assistants for the last 10 years, even though we have seen no evidence that they have actually done anything.

For details of how Mr Hancock arranged this please go to our website [www.jacparty.org](http://www.jacparty.org) under Portsmouth Facts, where you will also see how Mike Hancock overclaimed for his mortgage payments over the last few years, only paying this back after mortgage payments became a serious public issue.

We do not have any audited records of how much public money has been paid to Mr Hancock and his family, but it seems to us that it must amount to tens if not hundreds of thousands of pounds. This is far more than the amounts paid to or claimed by many of the MPs who have either resigned or been prosecuted.

Before and during this election you have repeatedly said that abuse by MPs of their expenses claims and payments to their close family members should be fully investigated, and prosecutions brought where appropriate. Can you please tell us why this does not apply to Mr Hancock?

We are copying this letter to the leaders of the Labour and Conservative Parties, and to the Parliamentary Commissioner for Standards.

Yours sincerely

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**If it's not true, why won't they sue?**