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Dear Colleagues,

Following the announcement in the news yesterday that MPs are to receive a pay rise of over £3,000 from April 2021.

I would like to express my view that I do not believe it to appropriate for MPs to receive the pay rise. We are in the middle of a global pandemic and an economic crisis. Constituents are losing their jobs, livelihoods & homes as well as incredible NHS staff being denied a pay rise.

I think it is morally wrong for MPs salaries to increase during these very difficult times and would ask for you to reconsider this plan.

I would also be grateful if consideration could be given to the wording around "so called expenses". Expenses include such things as staff salaries, running costs for offices etc. These costs are not money that goes directly into the pocket of MPs but the general public seem to think otherwise. I would be grateful if the breakdown of costs could be put under more appropriate headings to enable full transparency that does not require the general public to go searching.

I look forward to your response.

Kind Regards

Paula Barker MP