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Dear Ms Malik

My point is a simple one, namely that people who chair many public bodies such as Arts Council, Health Trusts and other not-for-profit bodies are paid substantial amounts of money that, even on a pro rata basis, make the eyes water. For example, Arts Council England pays its Chair £40,000 per annum. These posts should be filled by people who wish to serve the public for altruistic, not financial reasons and should be a privilege to serve the public, not a pension top-up.

What is manifestly unfair is that the blue collar workers would find it easier to reach the dark side of the moon than attain one of these positions. Furthermore, the pay for these "public" appointments, and I use the word loosely, is far in excess of that of a public sector worker at minimum wage levels.

Yours sincerely

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