

SHOCK....NEW HOUSING REVELATIONS



On the 2nd March 2008, the Mail on Sunday ran a nonsense piece about Alan. They sent a journalist, Nick Pisa (sic) and a photographer out to get details of the family apartment in Italy. Having come back with the wrong photo and the wrong info, the Mail on Sunday went on to imply that this had all been funded with taxpayers' money. They did so despite confirmation that this was not the case.

The article is just one of a series being run by the newspaper making spurious attacks on Labour MPs. There are probably three serious motives behind this. 1) to deflect Government attention from attempts to close tax havens for the super rich; 2) to provide cover for Tory MPs who have actually (and fraudulently) broken parliamentary rules; and 3) to undermine the general credibility of governments in the face of the Conservatives' failure to make any breakthrough in the polls.

Alan decided that the best way of dealing with such nonsense was to produce a self-denunciation (below) along similar lines. It contains just as many inaccuracies but offers a much more entertaining read. Enjoy.

Following the sensational non-story in the Mule on Sunday about his ownership of an apartment in Italy, we can reveal further details of the property empire of Alan Simpson MP. The paper's investigative journalist, Domino Pizza, has obtained details of property developments in his Constituency Office, which have not been declared to Parliament.

The MP is pictured with the "fairytopia" house that sits in the corner of his Constituency Office. He conceded that, when his two-year old daughter comes with him into the office she uses the playhouse on a grace-and-favour basis. She has paid no rent on the property for several months. Nor does she contribute to heating and lighting costs. The office is paid for out of Parliamentary allowances. Moreover, the dolls inside the house are left there on a semi-permanent basis and should really be recognised as long-term tenants. There was no indication how many had visas or work permits. Neither they nor his daughter are registered for council tax purposes at Mr Simpson's "fairytopia" mansion.

After several days ensconced in a local bar, Mule on Sunday reporters were able to reveal that the MP has not included this property in the Register of Members Interests. It could be a play area directly subsidised by taxpayers. One of the dolls in the playhouse told our reporters that Mr Simpson may even be considering a 14 storey extension to the playhouse, registering it in the name of Ollie the Octopus (pictured).

The Office for Parliamentary Standards do not believe that the playhouse breaches Parliamentary rules, but are considering referring the matter to the 'taste police'. The Brothers Grimm are also taking statements from the dolls involved. Our reporters will be back on the case as soon as the bar closes.