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**Extract – Professor Malcolm Hooper, The Gibson Report**

**The following is the second section of**  
**[The Gibson CFS/ME Inquiry Scandal Proceeds Apace](#)**  
**A Disgraceful Business carried out by the Disgraced**  
**For the full text, click on the link above.**

**2. Extract : Professor Malcolm Hooper - The Gibson Report**

To further compound the political spin and academic insincerity going down over this 'inquiry', Professor Malcolm Hooper, another advance seeded Gibson Report recipient, has recently published his [Hooper Response - Gibson Report](#).

Hooper is yet another who has purposefully suspended all of his critical faculties over this inquiry and report at this key juncture. It is extremely twisted to actually publicly witness how and why these once trusted people are refusing to look this thing in the face and smacks of insidious, arrogant and elitist deal-cutting behind the scenes, whilst leaving ME/CFS labelled adults and children to rot.

Hooper has lost political focus over the Gibson 'inquiry', has become mendacious and has exposed himself as part of the positive political spin swirling around this report and inquiry, thus damaging the prospects for patients. Because of this, sadly, we think it now best to look much in the face at this time over this 'inquiry'. Unfortunately, Hooper has dedicated form for this misinformation spin as we now illustrate with the evidence.

**Hooper 'Inquiry' Spin**

Immediately subsequent to the formal parliamentary [One Click Presentation](#) to the Gibson Inquiry that took place on 18 April 2006, Hooper wrote and published a set of notes out on the internet about our parliamentary presentation that deliberately attempted to manipulate and skew what we actually said and that contained a number of **crucial factual errors and omissions**. This is despite the fact that our presentation was available from sources everywhere, right around the world.

What Hooper did was SO SERIOUS in his attempt to manipulate and skew perception of what the One Click presentation actually contained, that we were forced by his actions to immediately issue a [Hooper Corrections Statement](#) dated 22 April 2006 and then to write to each member of the

Gibson Group individually to correct this deliberate misinformation.

We wrote to Gibson and his committee on the 23 April 2006:

"It has been brought to our attention that Professor Malcolm Hooper, present at the first Oral Evidence Hearing of the Gibson ME/CFS Inquiry although not submitting evidence, has published Notes that have unfortunately misrepresented The One Click Presentation, a copy of which has already been despatched to you by Royal Mail Recorded Delivery. It is extremely important that factual accuracy is maintained about all submissions to the Inquiry, so that groups such as ourselves are not misrepresented, as this would have gravely adverse implications for the ME/CFS community and for those groups who submitted evidence. To this end, we are sending you a copy of our corrections made to Professor Hooper's published Notes so that absolutely no confusion over this matter can ensue."

One click the full text of [Hooper Notes - One Click Writes To The Gibson ME CFS Inquiry](#).

To see these people engaging in such misinformation spin over this 'inquiry' and report has been devastating for many. Why have Hooper et al nailed their flags to the Gibson mast, whilst suspending all critical judgement? Is it just to save face, or is there some deeper motive? Sooner or later, this insidious behind the scenes deal-cutting will come out in the public domain and we would like to place a large bet on this matter and state that this is highly likely to have everything to do with the appalling UK ME/CFS charities, as ever. What is currently occurring is entirely redolent of the psychiatric collusion by the charities over the RCPCH Guidelines that have so vividly destroyed the health prospects and well being of every single ME/CFS labelled child in the United Kingdom.

Along with Kate Stewart/Margaret Williams, 'inquiry' architect Malcolm Hooper has today wrecked his health advocacy credentials as we see these people cutting off patients' noses, especially those of the children, to benefit their own vested interests faces. This alone is a scandal in its very own right.

Fortunately, there are many members of the ME/CFS community who are prepared to treat this matter with academic honesty, sincerity and rigour, which is the only sensible way to deal with this thing.

One health advocate has recently written to us over the Gibson report:

"These comments give the psychiatric lobby EXACTLY what they need to colonise the area of 'bio-medical' research. Even though such 'mind-over-matter-think-yourself-ill-or-well claims' are full of absurdities, they have now been given legitimacy by a government inquiry, no less. I predict this will be used by the Medical Research Council to fund CBT research projects in the future, where possible (not inevitable) minor changes in brain chemical physiology related to cognitive acts will be touted as proof of mind over

matter beliefs. This particular field of research appears to be the only one specified as desirable research by Gibson et al? The vagueness of the call for 'physical' research in the rest of this report I think allows the psychiatric lobby to move in and colonise any UK research, wasting god knows how much money desperately trying to gain legitimacy for their own beliefs."

History will show that this 'inquiry' and the Gibson Report have served to expose serious flaws in parliamentary due process and quite probable corruption with evidence submitted throughout, since Gibson point blank refuses to answer the most basic of questions over this. Furthermore, the scant reference made by him to the evidence submitted to his 'inquiry' in his recent Damage Limitation published chat to the nation, crafted by his Advisers evading the questions, made matters considerably worse.

Subsequent to a seminar preaching to the converted with much din with no teeth, not a word of this devastatingly flawed report will be changed. No application/recommendation has been made by these politicians to either the Department of Health, or the Medical Research Council requesting biomedical funding, whilst the crux of the report remains: The reinforcing of the contention that ME/CFS is a mental problem. This report will reside in the House of Commons Library, whilst parents of ME/CFS children will fear the very mention of it in public and in private, so damaging are its contents.

Gibson and his political colleagues will move swiftly on to other things and are doing so already. Meanwhile, Simon Wessely et al will go full steam ahead with the 'CFS/ME' Centres and the scientifically fraudulent PACE and FINE trials, precisely as intended by Gibson et al. No practical actions for ME/CFS labelled patients now as a result of this report have been forthcoming in any way.

We are so very fortunate to have people amongst the ME/CFS community who \*are\* prepared to look this thing in the face, carefully balance the implications of this report and analyse it properly - the only correct and academic way that this can be done, just such as the [John Sayer Response - Gibson Inquiry](#). There are many comments and papers in the throes of production over this, thank goodness, that are rigorous.

As investigative writer Martin J. Walker has so accurately written in [Realpolitik and ME](#): "The singular lack of political analysis amongst some of the most prominent figures in the ME community, has yet again led these long-suffering individuals [the patients] down another blind alley." Walker continues: "Because the patient community is unable to adopt a cohesive political line, they get duped every time the psychiatric lobby hides its stick behind a large carrot...in the case of the phantom 'Independent' Inquiry."

On One Click we speak for many when we say that it has been very informative indeed to discover just who has developed infected feet of titanic proportions clay over this inquiry and why. A disgraceful business carried out by the disgraced that will never be forgotten by anyone.

**The One Click Group**

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We publish below a selection of papers to do with this 'inquiry. Much more information is to be found in the [Politics Archive](#) of The One Click Group website.

[The Gibson Tape - Lies, Damned Lies](#)

[Ian Gibson MP Goes Berserk, Litigation Threatened](#)

[Martin Walker On Gibson And Short](#)

[Gibson Inquiry News 1](#)

[Gibson Inquiry News 2](#)

[Consultation, consultation, consultation](#)

[John Sayer Response - Gibson Inquiry](#)

[Dexhaven Response - Gibson Inquiry](#)

[The Gibson CFS/ME Inquiry Exposed](#)

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