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Dear Editor,

Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons Election

For Publication

For the fourteenth consecutive year I express my sincere thanks to the vets who supported the reform agenda for our sick profession. I thank Roger Meacock and Alan Bennet for again nominating me as spokesperson for the most important issues facing vets in the 21st century. Together we etched the unmoving benchmark still deeper. We again placed on the record the depravity of our profession.

Lest there be any doubt about the serious allegations of massive vet establishment corruption that the 380 vets endorsed, I reproduce some manifesto statements here:

- The veterinary profession, colluding with pet-food makers and so-called animal welfare groups, had falsified the records regarding preventable diseases and premature death affecting millions of pets. (Harold Shipman hid in plain sight behind falsified records too!)
- Clearly our veterinary 'educational' institutions, political structures and representatives have not helped; in fact they've done untold harm. We need a wide-ranging enquiry leading to the creation of a new Veterinary Surgeons Act. The prostitution of our profession must stop.
- Institutions and individuals should be held accountable. Veterinary students deserve a better deal. We can launch law suits against veterinary schools that perpetuate false and misleading information in support of their junk pet-food sponsors. <u>http://www.rawmeatybones.com/campaign/legal-vet.php</u>
- Junk pet-food companies have infiltrated the highest levels of our profession. <u>A chief scientist for Mars and a sales manager for Hill's</u> are past presidents of the RCVS? <u>Another past president</u> is in receipt of junk pet-food largesse and a councillor coordinates the <u>'Pet Smile' scam</u>. Twelve councillors represent the vet schools <u>all in receipt of junk pet-food hush-money</u>.

Of the six candidates who were successful at the election, not one has shown any sympathy for or understanding of the gravity of the situation in which the profession now finds itself. I hope that as they contemplate their four year term on the RCVS Council that they examine their consciences and seek to make amends.

To the three other candidates who failed to get elected I commend you for trying. Next year, how about we make a combined, concerted effort to salvage some respect for our benighted profession?

Thank you.

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