What do we want of Leveson report?

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FT brings up the personal side of Sir Brian – “a private man” he is no more.

Right now BBC is recappping interview evidence given during the inquiry in the run up to Lord Leveson’s statement.

With hour to go before the Leveson report is published, a number of selected witnesses and stakeholders make their final speech to the case and voice their expectations. Cameron and Clegg already in deliberations over the report, the opinions are no closer to unanimity.

How relevant is the Leveson report on the press in the 21st century? Emily Bell of The Guardian argues that in the internet age “to regulate the press further, without having a broader definition of who “the press” might be” is futile.

Charlie Beckett sort of disagrees with Emily Bell and says that Leveson and newspapers do still matter – this is an historic moment for the industry.

John Gapper of the FT argues that we need a bit of statute – a law that defines and protects the idea of ‘public interest’.

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