



Re: £5,000 payout for falling out of bed - *Daily Mail* (25 October 2011)

If a local council, or its insurer, has reason to believe a personal injury claim is without foundation then it should not pay compensation. Damages are only available if the injured person can prove that the injury was caused by negligence.

The suggestion by Manchester City Council's insurers that only people with high-value catastrophic injuries deserve redress is grossly unfair.

Genuine injuries can cause untold suffering. Whether the damages are £2,500 or £250,000, an injured person has a right to pursue compensation to put his life back to the position before someone else's actions caused harm.

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