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"WE ARE NOT A POLITICAL PARTY"

Under the headline "**We are not a political party**", the **Knaresborough Post** and the **Harrogate Advertiser** today published the following letter from **John Allman**, who is standing in **Harrogate and Knaresborough** constituency as the **Alliance For Change, human rights first** candidate.

I would like to thank the Knaresborough Post and Michael Molcher for the largely accurate publicity given to my Alliance For Change candidature this election [22 April edition, page 5]. However, if only for legal reasons, I am duty bound to write in, in order to correct the incorrect impression given, that the Alliance For Change is a *political party*. It isn't. A search of www.ElectoralCommission.org.uk will reveal to the reader that *there is no such political party as the Alliance For Change*. Moreover, *none* of the Alliance For Change candidates standing is himself a member of *any* political party.

The easiest way of explaining what the the Alliance For Change *is*, given that is decidedly *not* a political party, is to say that it is a "franchise". The difference between an Alliance For Change candidate and a candidate who is standing for an old-fashioned political party like the Lib Dems could be compared with the difference between (say) a Spar shop, and a branch of Tesco.

I hope that this clarifies, and that you will print this correction, so that voters are not misled by last Friday's report. Those who want to delve into this important distinction a bit deeper, in order to understand more exactly what they are being invited to vote for, should visit www.AllianceForChange.co.uk, or telephone or email any of the Alliance For Change candidates, for further explanation.

Mr Allman was incorrectly described in the lead story on the front page of the same edition of the Knaresborough Post as the **Alliance For Change, restore people's freedoms!** candidate, which is the description adopted by **Ejiro Etefia**, the Alliance For Change candidate standing in **Bethnal Green and Bow** constituency on London.