

'Incandescent' bosses accuse Edwards of taking salary in 'bad faith'

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**DISGRACED Huw Edwards** was yesterday urged to hand back the £200,000 salary he was paid after his arrest.

BBC bosses branded the newsreader a 'villain' for taking the licence fee money 'in bad faith' before pleading guilty to child pornography charges.

Corporation chiefs are said to be 'incandescent with rage' at the presenter for not immediately coming clean.

But questions remain over why they did not freeze his near £500,000 salary when he was detained in November.

Experts warn there is now little legal

recourse to reclaim the money from the vet-

eran presenter, who broke the news of the late Queen's death to the nation.

Yesterday the BBC board announced it was asking Edwards, 62, to hand back the money he was paid in the five months before his resignation in April.

Last week he admitted making 41 indegent images of children, with a number

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