

AMDDIFFYN LLANYSTUMDWY

c/o Yr Hendre,
Llanystumdwy,
Cricieth,
Gwynedd. LL52 0SG

29 October, 2007

By Hand to Lord Elis Thomas

Dear Dafydd,

This letter aims to outline to you the concern of a small number of your electors who have regularly voted for Plaid Cymru at every election, some of them Plaid members, others not.

Our concern is based on the way in which Cyngor Gwynedd have dealt with the matter of restructuring junior education within the county, and also the aims they put forward, both elements, in a way, contrary to the ethos of Plaid Cymru and what we would expect from the party we have supported all along.

In this area specifically we are astounded by the Cyngor Gwynedd ruling group's proposal to close Ysgol Llanystumdwy – a school which is prosperous in the number of pupils which attend, the quality of teaching provided and its central place in the life of the whole community.

We assume that, if Plaid Cymru (*The Party of Wales*) does not generally condemn the above, or at least try to put pressure on Gwynedd leaders, then the Party is generally in favour of the content and this way forward.

The great danger in this is that Plaid Cymru will lose control of every level of political representation, in its traditional strongholds, as electors and supporters question the commitment of Plaid Cymru to rural communities in Gwynedd.

Only very few of those connected to one school have signed this letter. It is a well-known fact that there are similar feelings in numerous other areas that form a substantial part of the Meirionnydd/Dwyfor Electorate.

Thank you for taking the time to read and consider this letter. We appeal for your help to save our school, our community and the Party we support.

Yours sincerely,

Awen Hamilton
On behalf of *Grŵp Amddiffyn Llanystumdwy*.