

International Development excerpts from SNP 2010 election manifesto

<http://www.snp.org/manifestos/westminster/2010>

Standing up for what is right p16

We will press the UK government to meet its international obligations including a continued commitment to meet the UN target of 0.7% of national wealth devoted to overseas development. The SNP believes international development must be a priority. As the Scottish Government since 2007, we doubled Scotland's international aid budget and are building strong links with developing nations such as Malawi.

Scotland can be proud of its place in the world. Scottish troops have served in operations around the globe with distinction. Scottish aid and aid workers have offered a vital lifeline to some of the poorest people in need. And we are now building links with some of the nations most threatened by global warming.

Action to help the green economy p14

Scotland has enormous green energy potential and the SNP is determined to make the most of this opportunity for our nation. We need to maximise investment in the research and infrastructure so we can turn potential today into tens of thousands of green jobs tomorrow.

Our aim is to increase low carbon employment in Scotland by 60,000 by 2020 as part of our low carbon strategy, with renewable energy supporting 26,000 jobs, emerging low carbon technologies a further 26,000 and environmental management 8,000 more.

At Westminster we will be demanding the release of the Fossil Fuel Levy money so it can be used to deliver £200 million new investment in renewables. This fund can only be used for investment in green energy projects yet the London Treasury still prevents that money from being put to good use to create employment in communities across Scotland.

Support for Business Growth p15

We will provide a strong voice for our fishing and agriculture sectors, holding the UK government to account while they represent these economically important industries in Europe and, to protect the incomes of many of our farm businesses we will oppose UK plans on CaP reform, which would see the removal of the important First Pillar funding.

Building a new partnership p20

The SNP believes that Scotland should join with the world community where necessary to preserve peace and security. We propose a Scottish Centre for Reconciliation and Conflict Resolution, to promote peaceful alternatives to armed conflict.

International Development excerpts from Plaid Cymru 2010 election Manifesto

<http://www.plaidcymru.org/uploads/publications/467.pdf>

A just world p33

We will continue to press for an ethical foreign policy which emphasises conflict prevention and we call for real, effective action to curtail the international arms trade. This should include a new treaty and a binding code of conduct restricting arms exports, as well as a complete ban on land mines, cluster bombs and white phosphorous, and an immediate international ban on the military use of uranium.

We support the campaign to establish a Wales Peace Institute to help us play our part in promoting peace and justice throughout the world.

Plaid will press the UK government to honour the commitment to delivering 0.7% of GDP as international aid and we will continue to campaign for the cancellation of developing countries' unaffordable debts. We call for increased resources for the UN Adaptation Fund to help developing countries adapt to the effects of climate change.

We demand equal representation for developing countries in the decision-making process on climate change action.

We also reaffirm our support for the international Fair Trade movement.

We insist on essential governance reform of international organisations such as the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund to ensure that they take into account human rights, the environment and workers' rights.

Think Sustainability, Think Plaid p29

The climate crisis is one of the most pressing political challenges we face. The future of our planet depends on urgent action to reduce emissions and the adoption of a different, more sustainable lifestyle. Plaid Cymru puts the environmental crisis and sustainable development at the heart of its policies. The world faces a triple crunch of peak oil, climate crisis and global economic recession.

Reducing our carbon footprint p29

The Welsh Assembly government has committed Wales to annual carbon reduction-equivalent emissions of 3% per year by 2011 in areas of devolved competence. We now recognise that climate change is more severe than previously realised.

The National Assembly has agreed, with cross party support, to reduce emissions by 40% below 1990 levels by 2020. Plaid will work to ensure that this decision is turned into meaningful and effective action to achieve the full reduction, and calls on the government in Westminster to follow Wales' lead.

Feeding the nation p30

Plaid Cymru believes that farming is central to the prosperity and sustainability of our rural communities. The industry has some difficult challenges ahead, not least increasing production to satisfy growing global demand for food, while reducing its environmental footprint. With the likelihood of traditional European subsidies

changing, agriculture will need to become more market driven and profitable. The Welsh Assembly Government is working closely with the industry to achieve this, and by doing so, to increase the prosperity of family farms across Wales.