Welsh Labour Grassroots

Gwreiddiau Llafur Cymru

Campaigning for democracy and socialist policies

Labour has won a historic third term -- but it has been a bittersweet victory. The Blair Government has increasingly pursued policies that have alienated party members, supporters and voters. It has joined with George W Bush in waging an illegal war in Iraq, causing destruction and misery and feeding the very terrorism it is pledged to destroy. At the same time, it is applying the Thatcherite dogma of 'private good, public bad' in public services, undermining the principles of the welfare state through PFI, Foundation Hospitals, City Academies and council housing stock transfer. Opposition to these policies within the party has been stifled by the concentration of power in the hands of the leadership, and the stage-management of conferences. The results are clear: Labour has lost four million votes and 200,000 members since 1997.

Meanwhile, in Wales, devolution has delivered an Assembly Government that has avoided the worst excesses of New Labour, pursuing progressive policies in education, health and public services and thereby putting 'clear red water' between Wales and Westminster. The opportunity to build on these achievements is constrained, however, by the Assembly's limited powers and by the democratic deficit in the party, which obstructs the development of a vigorous rank-and-file that is able to drive forward a socialist agenda.

Welsh Labour Grassroots exists in order to contribute to the democratic renewal of our party and the development of a socialist policy agenda for the twenty-first century. If you would like to join us in this work, simply fill in the form below and return it to **WLG, c/o Darren Williams, 2 Wellington Mews, Wellington Street, Cardiff CF11 9BE.**

Please tick the boxes that apply:

☐ I/We wish to apply for membership/affiliation* to Welsh Labour Grassroots and are happy for WLG to keep the details below on file in order to keep me/us fully informed of forthcoming events and policy developments

☐ I am a member of the Labour Party and I wish to apply for **full membership** of Welsh Labour Grassroots;

☐ I am **NOT** a member of the Labour Party or any other political party which stands candidates against the Labour Party and I wish to apply for **associate membership** of Welsh Labour Grassroots;

☐ Our organisation **IS** affiliated to the Labour Party and we wish to apply for **affiliation** to Welsh Labour Grassroots;

☐ Our organisation **IS NOT** affiliated to the Labour Party or any other political party which stands candidates against the Labour Party and we wish to apply for **associate affiliation** to Welsh Labour Grassroots.

**Delete as appropriate. Associate members are entitled to all the benefits of full membership with the exception of voting rights at WLG meetings.*

Name:	**Address:**

Telephone:	**Email:**

CLP:	**Trade union:**	**Any positions in party:**

I/WE ENCLOSE OUR REMITTANCE OF:

☐ £5 — waged individual; ☐ £3 — low waged/unwaged individual; ☐ £10 — Constituency/County/Branch LP;

☐ £25 —Trade Union Branch/Socialist Society/Other Organisation; ☐ £50 — All-Wales Trade Union body.

I/We also enclose a supporting donation of £_____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please make cheques payable to 'Welsh Labour Grassroots' and post to WLG, c/o Darren Williams, 2 Wellington Mews, Wellington Street, Cardiff CF11 9BE. Standing order forms are available on request.

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Ymgyrchu dros ddemocratiaeth a pholisïau sosialaidd

Mae Llafur wedi ennill trydydd tymor hanesyddol – ond mae wedi bod yn fuddugoliaeth chwerwfelys. Mae Llywodraeth Blair wedi dilyn fwyfwy polisïau sydd wedi dieithrio aelodau, cefnogwyr a phleidleiswyr y blaid. Mae hi wedi uno â George W Bush trwy wneud rhyfel anghyfreithlon yn Irac, wrth achosi dinistr a thrueni a magu'r union derfysgaeth y bwriadwyd ei ddinistrio. Ar yr un pryd, mae hi'n gweithredu'r credo Thatcheraidd 'preifat yn dda, cyhoeddus yn ddrwg' mewn gwasanaethau cyhoeddus, wrth danseilio egwyddorion y wladwriaeth les trwy *PFI*, Ysbytai Gwaddoledig, Academïau Dinas a throsglwyddiad stoc tai cyngor. Mygwyd gwrthwynebiad i'r polisïau hyn trwy ganoli grym yn nwylo'r arweinyddiaeth a thrwy ragdrefnu cynadleddau. Mae'r canlyniadau'n glir: mae Llafur wedi colli pedwar miliwn o bleidleisiau a 200,000 o aelodau ers 1997.

Yn y cyfamser, yng Nghymru, mae datganoli wedi creu Llywodraeth Cynulliad sydd wedi osgoi gormodedd gwaethaf Llafur Newydd, wrth ddilyn polisïau blaengar mewn addysg, iechyd a gwasanaethau cyhoeddus a, thrwy hynny, gosod 'dŵr coch clir' rhwng Cymru a San Steffan. Mae'r cyfle, fodd bynnag, i adeiladau ar y seiliau hyn yn cael ei gyfyngu gan bwerau prin y Cynulliad a chan diffyg democratiaeth tu fewn i'r blaid; mae hyn yn rhwystro'r aelodau cyffredin rhag dadlau'n ddi-ofn ac yn ffrwyno datblygiad agenda sosialaidd.

Mae Gwreiddiau Llafur Cymru yn bodoli er mwyn cyfrannu at adnewyddiad ein plaid a datblygiad agenda sosialaidd ar gyfer yr unfed ganrif ar hugain. Os hoffech chi ymuno â ni yn y gwaith hwn, llenwch y ffurflen isod a'i dychwelyd at: **Gwreiddiau Llafur Cymru**, ***c/o* Darren Williams, 2 Wellington Mews, Wellington Street, Caerdydd CF11 9BE.**

Ticiwch y blychau sy'n berthnasol:

☐ Dymunaf/Dymunwn wneud cais am aelodaeth/aelodaeth gorfforaethol* o Wreiddiau Llafur Cymru. Rwyf/Rydym yn fodlon i chi gadw'r manylion ar ffeil er mwyn rhoi gwybod i fi/ni am ddigwyddiadau gerllaw a datblygiadau polisi.

☐ Rwyf yn aelod o'r Blaid Lafur a dymunaf wneud cais am **aelodaeth gyflawn** o Wreiddiau Llafur Cymru;

☐ **NID YDWYF** yn aelod o'r Blaid Lafur nac o unrhyw blaid wleidyddol arall sy'n cynnig ymgeiswyr yn erbyn y Blaid Lafur a dymunwn wneud cais am **aelodaeth gyswllt** o Wreiddiau Llafur Cymru;

☐ **MAE** gan ein mudiad gysylltiad â'r Blaid Lafur a dymunwn wneud cais am **aelodaeth gorfforaethol** o Wreiddiau Llafur Cymru;

☐ **NID OES** gan ein mudiad gysylltiad â'r Blaid Lafur nac ag unrhyw blaid wleidyddol arall sy'n cynnig ymgeiswyr yn erbyn y Blaid Lafur a dymunwn wneud cais am **aelodaeth gorfforaethol gyswllt** o Wreiddiau Llafur Cymru.

**Dilëir fel y mae'n briodol. Rhoddir holl hawliau aelodaeth lawn i aelodau cyswllt ar wahân i hawliau pleidleisio mewn cyfarfodydd.*

Enw:	**Cyfeiriad:**

Ffôn:	**E-bost:**

Etholaeth:	**Undeb llafur:**	**Unrhyw swyddi yn y blaid:**

RWYF/RYDYM YN AMGÁU TALIAD O:

☐ £5 — unigolyn cyflogedig; ☐ £3 — unigolyn digyflog/ar gyflog isel; ☐ £10 — Etholaeth/Sir/Cangen y Blaid Lafur;

☐ £25 —Cangen Undeb Llafur/Cymdeithas Sosialaidd/Mudiad Arall; ☐ £50 — Corff Undeb Llafur Cymru Gyfan.

Rwyf/Rydym yn amgáu hefyd rhodd wirfoddol o £_____

Llofnod: _____ Dyddiad: _____

Gwnewch sieciau'n daladwy i 'Gwreiddiau Llafur Cymru' ac anfonwch at: Gwreiddiau Llafur Cymru, *c/o* Darren Williams, 2 Wellington Mews, Wellington Street, Caerdydd CF11 9BE. Ffurflenni archeb sefydlog ar gael pan wneir cais.