



# Clì – Na Gaidheil Ùra

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gus beachd luchd ionnsachaidh is luchd labhairt neo-dhualchasach na Gàidhlig a chur an cèill

to promote the learning and national status of Gaelic  
to disseminate information on Gaelic and Gaelic affairs  
to act as the voice of Gaelic learners and non-traditional speakers

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Right Hon Tessa Jowell  
Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport  
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A bhanacharaid,

## **Gaelic TV Channel & Digital Curriculum Service**

Tha mi a' sgrìobhadh às leth buidheann nàiseanta nan Gaidheal Ùra, Clì, mar a chaidh iarraidh orm le Bòrd Chlì a' coinneachadh ann am Peairt air 1 Ògmhios 2002. 'S iad Gaidheil Ùra, luchd ionnsachaidh na Gàidhlig, fileantaich a tha air an cuid Gàidhlig ionnsachadh, agus fileantaich a tha air tighinn tro fhoghlam tro mheadhan na Gàidhlig.

Bu mhath leinn ar bristeadh-dùil mòr nach deach seanal telebhisean Gàidhlig ainmeachadh ann an Dreachd a' Bhile Chonaltraidh a chur an cèill. Bu mhath leinn leigeil fhaicinn a-rithist ar làn-taic ri molaidhean Aithisg Milne, agus tha sinn ag iarraidh oirbh an cur an gnìomh air a' chiad chothrom.

Ghabh Clì com-pàirt anns a' cho-labhairt air craoladh Gàidhlig air a cumail air 24 Cèitean 2002 ann an Inbhir Nis aig an deach 'aontachadh gu foirmeil gum bu chòir seirbheis telebhisein Gàidhlig a bhith stèidhte air na molaidhean seo agus a bhith: coileanta is òrdail agus ga libhrigeadh air na h-uimhir as urrainn de phlatfòrman; air a cumail suas le stòras is bun-structar a tha iomchaidh; air a h-ainmeachadh mar Chraoladh Seirbheis Phoblaich; a bhith air a craoladh aig uairean dòigheil; a bhith ga ghleidheadh air analog cuideachd fhad 's a thèid seirbheisean dideatach a thoirt a-staigh.

Bu mhath le Clì cuideachd nochdadh cho cudthromach 's a tha e do dh'fhoghlam Gàidhlig, gu h-àraidh foghlam tro mheadhan na Gàidhlig timcheall Alba, gum bi an t-Seirbheis Cuirriculam Dideatach aig a' BhBC ag amas air seirbheis choileanta Ghàidhlig a thoirt seachad.

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I am writing on behalf of the national organisation for New Gaels, Clì, as requested by the Clì Board meeting in Perth on 1 June 2002. New Gaels are Gaelic learners, fluent speakers who have learnt their Gaelic, and those who have gone through Gaelic-medium education.

We would like to express our sincere disappointment that a Gaelic television service was not mentioned in the Draft Communications Bill. We would like to again declare our full support for the recommendations of the Milne Report, and we ask that you implement these recommendations at the first opportunity.

Clì was a participant in the conference on broadcasting held on 24 May 2002 in Inverness at which it was formally agreed that a Gaelic television service should be based on these recommendations and be: comprehensive and coherent and delivered on the widest possible range of platforms; adequately resourced and supported by appropriate infrastructure; designated as Public Service Broadcasting; broadcast at appropriate times of the day; maintained on analogue whilst such services are replaced by digital.

Clì would also like to state the great importance to Gaelic education, in particular Gaelic-medium education around Scotland, that the BBC's Digital Curriculum Service has comprehensive Gaelic provision.

Is mise le spèis,

Peadar Morgan  
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CC: Gaelic Broadcasting Committee  
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