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From: FOI
Sent: 31 March 2021 15:01
To: [redacted]
Subject: FOI 022-21 - Response
Attachments: FOI 022-21 - Plaid Cymru description application documents 2012_ 2015_ 2016_ 2017_Redacted FINAL.pdf

Dear [redacted]

Our Ref: FOI-022-21

Thank you for your email to the Electoral Commission dated 2 March 2021 and received by the Commission 3 March 2021.

The Commission aims to respond to requests for information promptly and has done so within the statutory timeframe of twenty working days.

Your request is shown below followed by our response.

Copies of description applications and decisions for Plaid Cymru 2012-2017.

Our response is as follows:

We hold some of the information you have requested. Please find attached applications from 2012, 2015, 2016, and 2017 to register new descriptions for Plaid Cymru, as well as corresponding decisions on those applications. Unfortunately, our searches have not located our decision on the application submitted in 2012 and we therefore appear to no longer hold this.

You will notice that some of the information released to you has been redacted. Information is exempt under section 40(2) of the FOIA where release of the information would breach one of the data protection principles under the UK GDPR. The information contained in the requested information falls within the description of personal data as defined under the UK GDPR because the information relates directly to identifiable living individuals that is not already published on our public registers. These individuals are either junior member of Commission staff, or are no longer officers of the party in question. We therefore have not disclosed this information to you.

The Commission strives to be an open, transparent authority and I trust that this information satisfies your request.

If you are not satisfied with this response, please note that the Commission operates a review procedure, details of which can be found on the Commission website at: https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/freedom-information/make-a-freedom-information-request.

Please also note that if you have exhausted all internal Commission review procedures and you are still not satisfied you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner. Details of this procedure can be found on the ICO website: https://ico.org.uk/.

Yours sincerely

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RECEIVED
16 MAY 2012

Application to change the registered details of a party registered in Great Britain

The Electoral Commission

RECEIVED
11 JUN 2012

This application was submitted electronically to the Electoral Commission on 11/05/2012 at 14:49:49.
PEF Online reference: 77

Declaration

I declare that Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales intends to contest one or more relevant elections in Great Britain (which will not be confined to parish (England) or community (Wales) elections) and is accordingly applying to be registered in the following part(s) of the Great Britain register:

England	N	Scotland	N	Wales	Y

Parliamentary election status

Exempt from UK parliamentary elections: N

Signatures

Party treasurer

I declare that I am authorised to sign this application on behalf of the above named party.

Signed [redacted]

Printed name [redacted] Date 11 (dd) 05 (mm) 2012 (yyyy)

Party nominating officer

I declare that I am authorised to sign this application on behalf of the above named party.

Signed [redacted]

Printed name [redacted] Date 11 (dd) 05 (mm) 2012 (yyyy)

Party leader

I declare that I am authorised to sign this application on behalf of the above named party.

Signed [redacted]

Printed name [redacted] Date 11 05 2012

dd mm yyyy

For electoral commission use

Date of receipt [ ] [ ] [ ] Checked by [ ]

dd mm yyyy

Outgoing party officer(s)

If any of the above officers have changed, the outgoing officer(s) should sign below

I declare that I relinquish the position of leader

Signed [redacted]

Printed name [redacted] Date 05 06 2012

dd mm yyyy

I declare that I relinquish the position of

Signed

Printed name Date

dd mm yyyy

I declare that I relinquish the position of

Signed

Printed name Date

dd mm yyyy

Unavailability of a party officer

If any of the above officers are unable to sign this form, please sign on behalf of them in the relevant boxes.

You must then state your name, position in the party and the reason why the other officer(s) were unable to sign below.

Party name

Primary name	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	
	Language	Welsh
Secondary name		
	Language	
English translation		

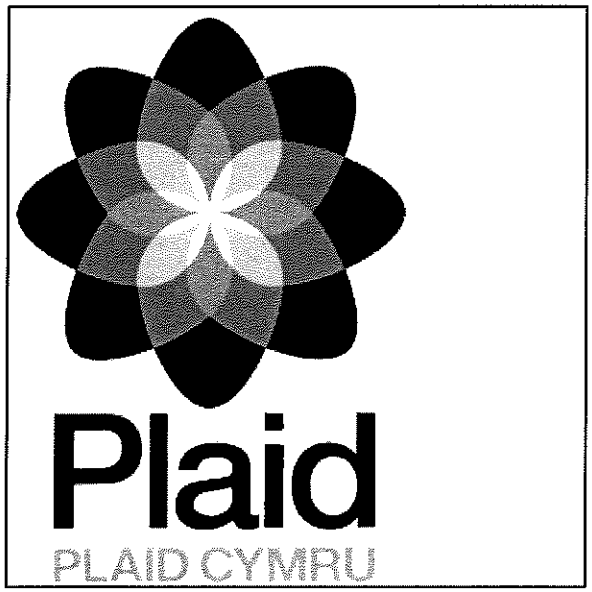
Address (party headquarters or for correspondence if no HQ)

Address	Ty Gwynfor	
	Marine Chambers	
	Anson Court	
	Atlantic Wharf	
Town	Caerdydd	
County		
Postcode	CF10 4AL	
Country	United Kingdom	
Telephone number	029 2047 2272	Extn
Fax number		
Email address		
Website address		

Emblems

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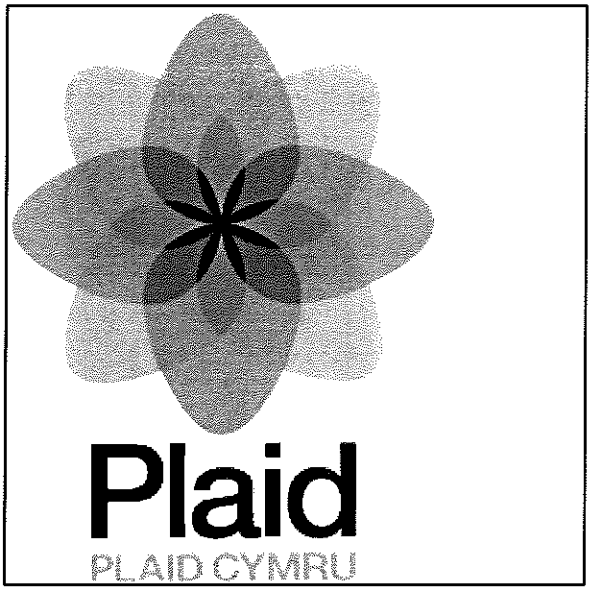
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Emblem 1

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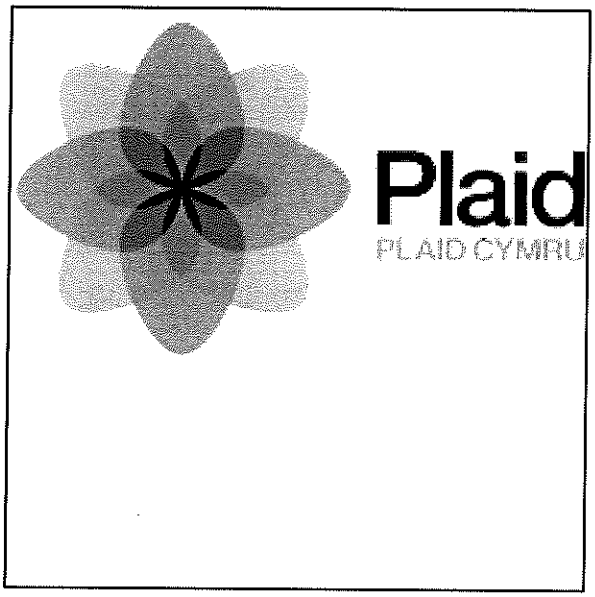
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Emblem 2

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Emblem 3

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales
Translation language	
Translation	

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Save Llandudno Hospital
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Achubwch Ysbyty Llandudno

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Save Withybush Hospital
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Achubwch Ysbyty Llwynhelyg

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Save our Hospital
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Achubwch ein Ysbyty

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Save our Hospitals
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Achubwch ein Ysbytai

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - No Hospital Downgrade
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Peidiwch israddio ein ysbyty

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Montgomeryshire's Voice
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Llais Maldwyn

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - North Wales Voice
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Llais y Gogledd

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Make a Difference
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Gwna Wahaniaeth

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Save our Health Service
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Achubwch ein Gwasanaeth Iechyd

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Cynon Voice
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Llais Cynon

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Your Local Party
Translation language	Cymraeg
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Eich Plaid Leol Chi

Party officers

Party Leader

[redacted]

Title

First name(s)

Surname

Home address

Telephone number

Extn

Fax number

Email address

If leader for a particular purpose, please specify

Treasurer

Title

First name(s)

Surname

Home address

Town

County

Postcode

Country

Telephone number

Fax number

Email address

Nominating Officer

Title

First name(s)

Surname

Home address

Town

County

Postcode

Country

Telephone number

Extn

Fax number

Email address

Please note that this email address will be held on the PEF Online system but will not be used by the Electoral Commission for any correspondence.

Financial and organisational information

Please enclose a cheque made payable to The Electoral Commission for £25.00.

Copy of party's constitution enclosed?	☐ Yes	☐ No	(tick as appropriate)
Copy of financial scheme enclosed?	☐ Yes	☐ No	

Please return the form to:
Party and Election Finance
The Electoral Commission
Caradog House
1-6 Saint Andrews Place
Cardiff CF10 3BE

Tel: 029 2034 6800
Fax: 029 2034 6805
Email: pef@electoralcommission.org.uk
Website: www.electoralcommission.org.uk

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APPROVAL RECORD FOR PARTY DESCRIPTIONS

1. Registrations Coordinator	
1.1. Party Name	**Plaid Cymru – The Party of Wales**
1.2. Application history	
1.2.1. Date received	**09/05/2014**
1.2.2. Date complete	**27/11/2014**
1.2.3. Delay in processing	**YES**
1.2.3.1. *If delayed, state reason*	**Awaiting signed application (original submitted on PEF Online) and payment of fee. Both received 27/11**
1.2.4. All required details now submitted	**YES**
1.3. Application fee	
1.3.1. Fee submitted	**YES**
1.3.1.1. *If NO, state reason*	
Date	**16/12/2014**
Sign (Registrations Coordinator)	[redacted]

2. Policy Advisor (Advice and Induction)		
2.1. Party Descriptions:	**1.**	Plaid Cymru – Carmarthenshire's Voice
	2.	
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2.1.1. Descriptions summaries attached	**YES / NO**	
Date	**16/12/2014**	
Sign (Policy Advisor)	[redacted]	

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3. Statutory test (section 28A of PPERA)

3.1. Where a request is made by a party (named above) under this section in relation to a description, we shall register the description as a description of the party unless in our opinion it--

(a) would either-

(i) be the same as that of a party which is already registered in the register in which that party is applying to be registered, or

1.	**State reasons** **The proposed description is not the same as that of a party name or description registered in Great Britain**	**Yes** **No**
2.	**State reasons**	**Yes** **No**
3.	**State reasons**	**Yes** **No**
4.	**State reasons**	**Yes** **No**
5.	**State reasons**	**Yes** **No**
6.	**State reasons**	**Yes** **No**
7.	**State reasons**	**Yes** **No**
8.	**State reasons**	

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	9.	State reasons	
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	10.	State reasons	
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	11.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
	12.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
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Sign (Policy Adviser)	[redacted]		

(ii) be likely to result in electors confusing that party with a party which is already registered in respect of the relevant part of the United Kingdom,	1.	State reasons	
		The proposed description would not be likely to result in an elector confusing that party with a registered party in Great Britain. The words 'Plaid' 'Cymru' and 'Voice' appear on the register in both the applicant party's identity marks and others. 'Carmarthenshire' does not appear anywhere on the register. Given that proposed description makes clear the identity of the party and that there is no other identifier using the word 'Carmarthenshire', the risk of voter confusion with another party is very minimal and this test is therefore passed	Yes No
	2.	State reasons	
			Yes

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3.	State reasons	
		Yes
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4.	State reasons	
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9.	State reasons	
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10.	State reasons	
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			No
	11.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
	12.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
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Sign (Policy Adviser)	[redacted]		
(b) comprises more than six words,	1.	State reasons	
		The proposed description does not comprise more than 6 words.	**Yes**
			No (circled)
	2.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
	3.	State reasons	
			Yes
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	4.	State reasons	
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	5.	State reasons	
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	7.	State reasons	
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	8.	State reasons	
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	9.	State reasons	
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	10.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
	11.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
	12.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
Date			
Sign (Policy Adviser)	[redacted]		

(c) is obscene or offensive,	1.	State reasons	
		The proposed description is not obscene or offensive.	Yes

		No
2.	**State reasons**	
		Yes
		No
3.	**State reasons**	
		Yes
		No
4.	**State reasons**	
		Yes
		No
5.	**State reasons**	
		Yes
		No
6.	**State reasons**	
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7.	**State reasons**	
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8.	**State reasons**	
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9.	**State reasons**	
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	10. State reasons	
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	11. State reasons	
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	12. State reasons	
		Yes
		No
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Sign (Policy Adviser)	[redacted]	

(d) includes words the publication of which would be likely to amount to the commission of an offence,	1. State reasons The proposed description does not include words which if published would be likely to amount to the commission of an offence.	Yes No
	2. State reasons	
		Yes
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	3. State reasons	
		Yes
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	4. State reasons	
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	5. State reasons	

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	6.	State reasons	
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	9.	State reasons	
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	10.	State reasons	
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	11.	State reasons	
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	12.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
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Sign (Policy Adviser)			

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(e) includes any script other than Roman script,	1.	**State reasons** **The proposed description does not include any script other than Roman script.**	**Yes** **No**
	2.	**State reasons**	**Yes** **No**
	3.	**State reasons**	**Yes** **No**
	4.	**State reasons**	**Yes** **No**
	5.	**State reasons**	**Yes** **No**
	6.	**State reasons**	**Yes** **No**
	7.	**State reasons**	**Yes** **No**
	8.	**State reasons**	**Yes** **No**
	9.	**State reasons**	

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	10.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
	11.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
	12.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
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Sign (Policy Adviser)	[redacted]		

(f) includes any word or expression prohibited by order made by the Secretary of State after consulting the Commission,	1.	State reasons	
		The proposed description does not include any word or expression prohibited by order made by the secretary of state.	Yes
			No
	2.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
	3.	State reasons	
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	4.	State reasons	
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5.	State reasons	
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8.	State reasons	
		Yes
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9.	State reasons	
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11.	State reasons	
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12.	State reasons	
		Yes
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Sign (Policy Adviser)	[redacted]

(da) would be likely, were it to appear on a ballot paper issued at an election—

(i) to result in an elector being misled as to the effect of his vote, or

1.	**State reasons**	
	The proposed description would not be likely, were it to appear on the ballot paper to mislead an elector as to the effect of his vote.	**Yes**
		No (circled)
2.	**State reasons**	
		Yes
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3.	**State reasons**	
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4.	**State reasons**	
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	10.	State reasons	
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	11.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
	12.	State reasons	
			Yes
			No
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Sign (Policy Adviser)	[redacted]		

(ii) to contradict, or hinder an elector's understanding of, any directions for his guidance in voting given on the ballot paper or elsewhere	1.	State reasons	
		The proposed description would not be likely, were it to appear on the ballot paper to contradict or hinder an elector's understanding of any directions given for his guidance in voting.	Yes
			No
	2.	State reasons	
			Yes
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	3.	State reasons	
			Yes

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4.	State reasons	
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9.	State reasons	
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10.	State reasons	
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11.	State reasons	
		Yes
		No

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	12. State reasons	
		Yes
		No
Date	**16/12/2014**	
Sign (Policy Adviser)	[redacted]	

4. Policy Adviser (Advice and Induction) Recommendations

4.1. It is hereby recommended that PLAID CYMRU – THE PARTY OF WALES application to register 1 DESCRIPTION as at Section 2 on the GREAT BRITAIN register be APPROVED

Policy Adviser (Advice and Induction)comments	
Date	**16/12/2014**
Sign	[redacted]

5. Director of Party and Election Finance:

5.1. Under The Electoral Commission's delegated authority scheme the Director of Party and Election Finance hereby APPROVES / REJECTS this application.

Directors comments	
Date	5.2.15
Sign	[redacted]

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SEARCH SUMMARIES

Name and Description searches:	
Returned words:	**No result words:**
Paid Cymru Voice See attached summaries for details	Carmarthenshire
Date	**16/12/2014**
Sign	[redacted]

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Officers / responsible persons

Person name:

Date of registration / notification

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PP 77	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	Political Party	Registered	Great Britain					14/01/1999
PPm 1971	Plaid Glyndwr	Minor Party	Registered						12/11/2012

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Registration search (published)

Search filters

First please select the entity type(s) you require

Entity type: Political Party, Minor Party

Registration status: Registered

Register: Great Britain

Entity name: Ignored

Or: voice

Include alternative names in search

Include descriptions in search

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PP 293	Independent Green Voice	Political Party	Registered	Great Britain					14/03/
PP 702	Llais Gwynedd - The Voice of Gwynedd	Political Party	Registered	Great Britain					19/03/
PP 2036	Local Voice	Political Party	Registered	Great Britain					26/02/
PP 617	Scottish Voice	Political Party	Registered	Great Britain					02/02/
PP 2300	Yourvoice	Political Party	Registered	Great Britain					17/03/

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British National Party - Plaid Cenedlaethol Prydeinig	British National Party	Northern Ireland
Labour Party Candidate/Ymgeisydd Plaid Lafur	Labour Party	Great Britain
Plaid Blwralaidd - Pobl wahanol, polisÃ¯au gwahanol	The Pluralist Party	Minor Party
Plaid Cymru - Cynon Voice	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	Great Britain
Plaid Cymru - Make a Difference	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	Great Britain
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Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	Great Britain
Plaid Cymru - Your Local Party	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	Great Britain
Plaid Cymru- Wales First	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	Great Britain
Plaid Democratiadd Prydeinig	British Democratic Party	Great Britain

Description	Party Name	Register
Democratiaid Rhyddfrydol Cymru - Welsh Liberal Democrats	Liberal Democrats	Great Britain
Plaid Cymru - Cynon Voice	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	Great Britain
Plaid Cymru - Make a Difference	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	Great Britain
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Plaid Cymru- Wales First	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	Great Britain
Welsh Liberal Democrats - Democratiaid Rhyddfrydol Cymru	Liberal Democrats	Great Britain

Description	Party Name	Register
...no policies just your voice!	YOURvoice	Great Britain
A voice for people not parties	Yorkshire First	Great Britain
A voice for the region	Yorkshire First	Great Britain
An independent voice defending peoples rights	Binfield Independent Conservatives	Great Britain
An independent voice for Willesden residents	Make Willesden Green	Great Britain
CONSTITUTION. VOICE TO THE PEOPLE.	Fulham Group	Great Britain
Giving Scotland a Voice in Europe	Scottish National Party (SNP)	Great Britain
Independent Green Voice - (Convenor: Alistair McConnachie)	Independent Green Voice	Great Britain
Independent Green Voice - Democracy, Localism, Nature	Independent Green Voice	Great Britain
Independent Green Voice - Ecology, Localism, Democracy	Independent Green Voice	Great Britain
Independent Green Voice - Ecology, Solidarity, Democracy	Independent Green Voice	Great Britain
Independent Green Voice - For Democratic Money	Independent Green Voice	Great Britain
Independent Green Voice - For Ethical Politics	Independent Green Voice	Great Britain
Independent Green Voice - For Monetary Reform	Independent Green Voice	Great Britain
Independent Green Voice - Localism Not Globalism	Independent Green Voice	Great Britain
Independent Green Voice - Organic Green Scotland	Independent Green Voice	Great Britain
Independent Green Voice - Organics, Localism, Democracy	Independent Green Voice	Great Britain
Independent Green Voice - Sustainability, Solidarity, Security	Independent Green Voice	Great Britain
Independent Green Voice - The Natural Alternative	Independent Green Voice	Great Britain
Independent voices for a better Brentwood	Brentwood First	Great Britain
Independent voices for our Borough	Brentwood First	Great Britain
Independently minded voices	Brentwood First	Great Britain
Liberal Party - Our Local Voice	The Liberal Party	Great Britain
Lincolnshire Independents - Giving Boston a Voice	Lincolnshire Independents Lincolnshire First	Great Britain
London's Voice in Europe's Leading Party	4 Freedoms Party (UK EPP)	Great Britain
National Liberal Party (Elm Park Voice)	National Liberal Party - True Liberalism	Great Britain
National Liberal Party (Harold Voice Team)	National Liberal Party - True Liberalism	Great Britain
National Liberal Party (Local Voice Team)	National Liberal Party - True Liberalism	Great Britain
Plaid Cymru - Cynon Voice	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	Great Britain
Plaid Cymru - North Wales Voice	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	Great Britain
Scotland's Voice in Europe's Leading Party	4 Freedoms Party (UK EPP)	Great Britain
Strong Voice for Scotland in Europe	Scottish National Party (SNP)	Great Britain
The Voice of the Electorate	NOTA	Great Britain
Your independent voice for our community	Brentwood First	Great Britain
yourvoiceparty.org.uk	YOURvoice	Great Britain

Primary name	Register	Before - Description	After - Description	Date changed	Date changes authorised	Date party authorised	Date party deregistered
Freedom Democrats	Great Britain		The voice of the Silent Majority	23/05/2011 10:31:17	23/05/2011 10:31:24	23/05/2011 10:31:24	08/05/2014 10:07:13
Freedom Democrats	Northern Ireland		The voice of the Silent Majority	23/05/2011 10:31:37	23/05/2011 10:31:44	23/05/2011 10:31:44	08/05/2014 10:10:36

Application to change the registered details of a party registered in Great Britain

The Electoral Commission

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Declaration

I declare that Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales intends to contest one or more relevant elections in Great Britain (which will not be confined to parish (England) or community (Wales) elections) and is accordingly applying to be registered in the following part(s) of the Great Britain register:

England [N] Scotland [N] Wales [Y]

Parliamentary election status

Exempt from UK parliamentary elections [N]

Signatures

Party nominating officer

I declare that I am authorised to sign this application on behalf of the above named party.

Signed [redacted]

Printed name [redacted] Date [ ][ ][ ] dd mm yyyy

Party leader

I declare that I am authorised to sign this application on behalf of the above named party.

Signed [redacted]

Printed name [redacted] Date [ ][ ][ ] dd mm yyyy

RBB.

Party treasurer

I declare that I am authorised to sign this application on behalf of the above named party.

Signed [redacted]

Printed name [redacted] Date dd mm yyyy

For electoral commission use

Date of receipt dd mm yyyy Checked by

Outgoing party officer(s)

If any of the above officers have changed, the outgoing officer(s) should sign below

I declare that I relinquish the position of

Signed

Printed name

Date dd mm yyyy

I declare that I relinquish the position of

Signed

Printed name

Date dd mm yyyy

I declare that I relinquish the position of

Signed

Printed name

Date dd mm yyyy

Unavailability of a party officer

If any of the above officers are unable to sign this form, please sign on behalf of them in the relevant boxes.

You must then state your name, position in the party and the reason why the other officer(s) were unable to sign below.

Party name

Primary name	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	
	Language	Welsh
Secondary name		
	Language	
English translation		

Address (party headquarters or for correspondence if no HQ)

Address	Ty Gwynfor
	Marine Chambers
	Anson Court
	Atlantic Wharf
Town	Caerdydd
County	
Postcode	CF10 4AL
Country	United Kingdom

Telephone number	[redacted]	Extn	
Fax number			
Email address	post@plaidcymru.org		
Website address	www.plaidcymru.org		

Emblems

Emblem Id 88

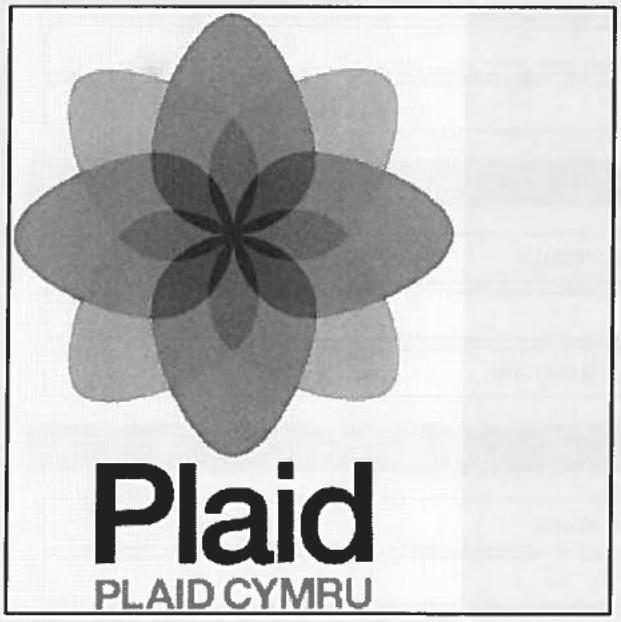
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Emblem 1

Emblem Id 89

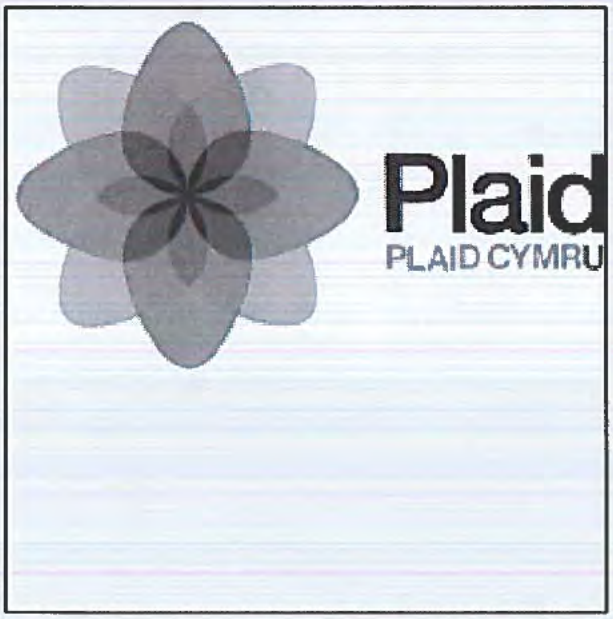
Monochrome emblem



Emblem 2

Emblem Id	90

Monochrome emblem



Emblem 3

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales
Translation language	
Translation	

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Save Llandudno Hospital
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Achubwch Ysbyty Llandudno

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Save Withybush Hospital
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Achubwch Ysbyty Llwynhelyg

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Save our Hospital
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Achubwch ein Ysbyty

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Carmarthenshire's Voice
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Llais Sir Gar

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - No Hospital Downgrade
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Peidiwch israddio ein ysbyty

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - North Wales Voice
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Llais y Gogledd

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Make a Difference
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Gwna Wahaniaeth

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Save our Health Service
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Achubwch ein Gwasanaeth Iechyd

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Cynon Voice
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Llais Cynon

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru - Your Local Party
Translation language	Cymraeg
Translation	Plaid Cymru - Eich Plaid Leol Chi

Party descriptions

Description	Plaid Cymru- Wales First
Translation language	Welsh
Translation	Plaid Cymru- Cymru'n Gyntaf

Party officers

Party Leader

Title

First name(s)

Surname

Home address

[redacted]

Telephone number

Extn

Fax number

Email address

If leader for a particular purpose, please specify

Nominating Officer

Title

First name(s)

Surname

Home address

Town

County

Postcode

Country

Telephone number

Extn

Fax number

Email address

Please note that this email address will be held on the PEF Online system but will not be used by the Electoral Commission for any correspondence.

Treasurer

Title

First name(s)

Surname

Home address

Town

County

Postcode

Country

Telephone number

Extn

Fax number

Email address

Financial and organisational information

Please enclose a cheque made payable to The Electoral Commission for £25.00.

Copy of party's constitution enclosed?	☐ Yes	☐ No	(tick as appropriate)
Copy of financial scheme enclosed?	☐ Yes	☐ No	

Please return the form to:
Party and Election Finance
The Electoral Commission
Companies House
Crown Way
Cardiff CF14 3UZ

Tel: 029 2034 6800
Fax: 029 2038 0996
Email: pef@electoralcommission.org.uk
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Application summary

PR 16/10 – 3 March 2016

The following table summarises the applications received by the Commission and the registration team's recommendations on whether to approve the proposed identity marks.

Party name and proposed party identity marks (link to assessment note)	**Registration team assessment**
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Plaid Cymru - Party of Wales **Proposed descriptions** 1. Plaid Cymru: Leader – Leanne Wood/ Plaid Cymru: Arweinydd – Leanne Wood 2. Plaid Cymru - For all of Wales/ Plaid Cymru - Dros Gymru Gyfan 3. Plaid Cymru - Strong Voice for Llanelli/ Plaid Cymru - Llais Cryf Dros Lanelli 4. Plaid Cymru - Former Police Inspector/ Plaid Cymru - Cyn-Arolygydd Heddlu 5. Plaid Cymru: For North Wales/ Plaid Cymru: O Blaid y Gogledd 6. Plaid Cymru - Former Intelligence Analyst/ Plaid Cymru - Cyn-ddadansoddwr CuddYmchwil **Proposed emblem**	• Existing party • Wales only application • Recommendation to approve all • Public comment close 9 March BP 4.3.2016: I am minded to approve the six applied for descriptions and the emblem. I did pause at descriptions 4 and 6 which are unusual and as the Party Reg Team Assessment identifies only likely to be used by the party for specific PCC election candidates who fit the described occupational background. The inclusion of the party name in these proposed descriptions is I think the factor that makes them acceptable. TH: I agree with the recommendation to approve all six descriptions and the emblem.

Application summary

PR 16/10 – 3 March 2016

The following table summarises the applications received by the Commission and the registration team's recommendations on whether to approve the proposed identity marks.

Party name and proposed party identity marks (link to assessment note)	Registration team assessment
Plaid Cymru  **Party of Wales**	WS: I would agree descriptions 2, 3 and 5. I would agree description 1 under the current system (unlike for example the conservative and previous SNP ones) as it is just factually stating who the leader of the party is at the time, as opposed to being written in a way that implies voters are voting for this. I have strong reservations about 4 and 6, which if accidentally used on the wrong ballot paper could significantly mislead voters about who they are voting for and would reject on this basis. In addition on these, although this is not a statutory test, it is providing extra factual information on the ballot paper about a candidate that others may not have included (as opposed to a slogan about what they believe). This feels like an unfair advantage. AON: I would agree the recommendations apart from 4 and 6. Despite our current policy I find it hard to accept a description which suggests that PC was a former policeman or intelligence analyst. RT: given our current policy position, I would agree with the recommendation to approve all descriptions and emblem. Agree that descriptions four and six are unusual but given that they will be used for the PCC election in very specific areas (north Wales and Dyfed Powys) plus the party name is also included, I think this does make both acceptable. VF: I agree with the recommendation to approve the emblem and descriptions 1-3 and 5. Are descriptions 4 and 6 factually accurate? If not , they would be in my opinion be likely to mislead voters.

Comment [redacted]: We can write to the party as part of their registration and request clarification that they will only use these descriptions for these elections if it would help?

Application summary

PR 16/10 – 3 March 2016

The following table summarises the applications received by the Commission and the registration team's recommendations on whether to approve the proposed identity marks.

Party name and proposed party identity marks (link to assessment note)	Registration team assessment
	AW: I agree to approve 1-3 and 5. As others have said, 4 and 6 are unusual, and risk being misleading if used against the wrong candidates. I am also concerned that this uses descriptions in a way that was not their original intention, to communicate additional information about individual candidates on the ballot paper. LF - I would approve all 6 descriptions, for the reasons set out in the registration note, and the emblem. **BP Decisions 14.3.2016: Approve the six descriptions and the emblem. I carefully considered the well-made points of concern from several Approval Board members about some of the applied for descriptions, but conclude that under the statutory tests it is not likely that voters would be misled as to the effect of their vote. More generally, as we know we will want later this year to review aspects of types of descriptions applied for / registered and, or lobby for law change.**

Plaid Cymru - Party of Wales

Application to change currently registered details

Political objectives/party information

- Aims and objectives of the party:
    - is a social-democratic political party in Wales advocating for an independent Wales from the United Kingdom within the European Union
- They have a website[1] and use regularly updated social media accounts.
- The party is intending to stand candidates in Wales and have representation on councils in Wales, in the Welsh Assembly and in the UK Parliament
- We have confirmed with Wales that the translations are accurate

Recommendation

The issues of concern relating to the statutory tests are set out in Appendixes A and B below. I have set out how the following identifiers meet the statutory tests.

In determining my opinion I am required to consider whether the proposed party identifiers (names, descriptions and emblems) meet the statutory tests as set out in the Political Parties, Elections, and Referendums Act 2000. Except where indicated in Appendixes A and B, I considered all of the proposed party identifiers below to have met the following the statutory tests.

That the descriptions and emblem are:

- Not the same as that of a currently-registered party identity mark
- Not likely to result in voters confusing it with a registered political party

[1] https://www.plaid.cymru/

- Not more than 6 words
- Not, in my opinion, obscene or offensive
- Doesn't contain words the publication of which would be likely to amount to the commission of an offence
- If a name or description doesn't include any script other than Roman script
- Does not contain any words prohibited by order of the secretary of state
- Is not likely to mislead voters as to the effect of their vote
- Is not likely to contradict or hinder instructions or guidance given for voting.

I recommend that the following identity marks be **approved** and entered onto the register of political parties in Great Britain.

- Plaid Cymru: Leader – Leanne Wood/ Plaid Cymru: Arweinydd – Leanne Wood
- Plaid Cymru - For all of Wales/ Plaid Cymru - Dros Gymru Gyfan
- Plaid Cymru - Strong Voice for Llanelli/ Plaid Cymru - Llais Cryf Dros Lanelli
- Plaid Cymru - Former Police Inspector/ Plaid Cymru - Cyn-Arolygydd Heddlu
- Plaid Cymru: For North Wales/ Plaid Cymru: O Blaid y Gogledd
- Plaid Cymru - Former Intelligence Analyst/ Plaid Cymru - Cyn-ddadansoddwr CuddYmchwil
- Plaid Cymru
  
  Party of Wales

[redacted]
29 February 2016

A summary of the searches for similarity are included in Appendix C.

Appendix A: Proposed descriptions

Table A1

<table>
<tr><th>Proposed descriptions and recommendation</th><th>Registration team assessment</th></tr>
<tr><td>Plaid Cymru: Leader – Leanne Wood/ Plaid Cymru: Arweinydd – Leanne Wood

Recommendation: Approve</td><td>1.1 In making my recommendation to approve the party identity mark I have considered the following issues

1.2 After searching the register, both current identity marks and those protected after deregistration, I concluded that there are no other party identity marks that are confusingly similar.

1.3 Leanne Wood is the current leader of Plaid Cymru in Wales and this description can only be used there. Ms Wood has consented to the use of her name as she authorised the application as party leader.

1.4 This inclusion of the party leader name is consistent with other entries on the register, for example

<table>
<tr><th>Description/Emblem</th><th>Party</th></tr>
<tr><td>(Leader Arthur Scargill)</td><td>Socialist Labour Party</td></tr>
<tr><td>Caroline Pidgeon's London Liberal Democrats</td><td>Liberal Democrats</td></tr>
<tr><td>Independent Green Voice - (Convenor: Alistair McConnachie)</td><td>Independent Green Voice</td></tr>
<tr><td>Re-elect Nikki Sinclaire</td><td>We Demand A Referendum</td></tr>
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Proposed descriptions and recommendation	Registration team assessment

	Now
Respect - George Galloway for Glasgow	The Respect Party
With Adam Walker	British National Party
Tommy Sheridan - Solidarity - Hope Over Fear	Solidarity - Scotland's Socialist Movement
	The Respect Party
	Socialist Alternative
David Cameron's Conservatives	Conservative Party

1.5 The voter is presented with a fact, not a call to action. On all ballot papers in Wales the candidate name will also appear and I believe that this mitigates the risk that this description will not contradict instructions for voting on ballot papers.

1.6 The description includes the party name which also mitigates the (low) likelihood that a voter would be misled as to the effect of their vote.

1.7 This description is not offensive

Proposed descriptions and recommendation	Registration team assessment
Plaid Cymru - For all of Wales/ Plaid Cymru - Dros Gymru Gyfan Recommendation: Approve	1.8 In making my recommendation to approve the party identity mark I have considered the following issues 1.9 The word “Wales” is a prohibited word and can only be used if it is used with an(other) word(s) as long as those other word(s) are not the name of a registered party. “Plaid Cymru - For all of” is not the identity mark of another registered party 1.10 After searching the register, both current identity marks and those protected after deregistration, I concluded that there are no other party identity marks that are confusingly similar. 1.11 This description is not misleading or offensive
Plaid Cymru - Strong Voice for Llanelli/ Plaid Cymru - Llais Cryf Dros Lanelli Recommendation: Approve	1.12 In making my recommendation to approve the party identity mark I have considered the following issues 1.13 After searching the register, both current identity marks and those protected after deregistration, I concluded that there are no other party identity marks that are confusingly similar. 1.14 I believe the party is unlikely to use this description outside of Llanelli and the risk of voters being misled is therefore unlikely. 1.15 This description is not misleading or offense
Plaid Cymru - Former Police Inspector/	1.16 In making my recommendation to approve the party identity

Proposed descriptions and recommendation	Registration team assessment
Plaid Cymru - Cyn-Arolygydd Heddlu Recommendation: Approve	mark I have considered the following issues 1.17 After searching the register, both current identity marks and those protected after deregistration, I concluded that there are no other party identity marks that are confusingly similar. 1.18 I considered whether this description was misleading in terms of presenting a potentially inaccurate statement on ballot papers and whether it is therefore likely to mislead voters as to the effect of their vote. 1.19 However the tests is whether it is likely to mislead a voter as to the effect of their vote, and as the party name is present on ballot papers it is unlikely that a voter would confuse this party with another party in Wales. 1.20 I believe that that it is likely that this description will be used at PCC elections in Wales where the description can appear by itself.
Plaid Cymru: For North Wales/ Plaid Cymru: O Blaid y Gogledd Recommendation: Approve	1.21 In making my recommendation to approve the party identity mark I have considered the following issues 1.22 The word “Wales” is a prohibited word and can only be used if it is used with an(other) word(s) as long as those other word(s) are not the name of a registered party. “Plaid Cymru: For North” is not the identity mark of another registered party

Proposed descriptions and recommendation	Registration team assessment
	1.23 After searching the register, both current identity marks and those protected after deregistration, I concluded that there are no other party identity marks that are confusingly similar. 1.24 I believe the party is unlikely to use this description outside of North Wales and the risk of voters being misled is therefore unlikely. 1.25 This description is not misleading or offensive
Plaid Cymru - Former Intelligence Analyst/ Plaid Cymru - Cyn-ddadansoddwr CuddYmchwil Recommendation: Approve	1.26 In making my recommendation to approve the party identity mark I have considered the following issues 1.27 After searching the register, both current identity marks and those protected after deregistration, I concluded that there are no other party identity marks that are confusingly similar. 1.28 However the test is whether it is likely to mislead a voter as to the effect of their vote, and as the party name is present on ballot papers it is unlikely that a voter would confuse this party with another party in Wales. 1.29 I believe that that it is likely that this description will be used at PCC elections in Wales where the description can appear by itself.

Appendix B: Proposed emblems

Table B1

Proposed emblems and recommendation	Proposed emblem at ballot paper size	Registration team assessment
Plaid Cymru Party of Wales Recommendation: approve	Plaid Cymru Party of Wales	2.1 In making my recommendation to approve the proposed emblem I have considered the following 2.2 After searching the register, both current identity marks and those protected after deregistration, I concluded that there are no other party identity marks that are confusingly similar. 2.3 The closest that has a general round shape does not have the various shades of black and white of the proposed emblem and their text sufficiently differentiates each other. THE LIBERAL PARTY [2] 2.4 The emblem is not misleading or offensive.

[2] An emblem of the Liberal Party

Appendix C – Searches for the same or similar names and descriptions

Table C1: Similarity score results

The following table lists those identifiers that were found to be similar to by an electronic matching process. The higher the value the higher the similarity between the proposed descriptions and the identifier listed below.

Proposed identity marks	Similar identifiers	Party Name of similar identifiers (if the same indicates the similar identifier is a party name)	Similarity
Plaid Cymru: Leader – Leanne Wood	Communist League	Communist League Election Campaign	0.5177
Plaid Cymru - Strong Voice for Llanelli	Stronger for Scotland	Unity Scotland - The Unity Party	0.5721
Plaid Cymru - Former Police Inspector	Wellfair, Paid Fair.	Life	0.5077
Plaid Cymru - Former Intelligence Analyst	Wellfair, Paid Fair.	Life	0.5015

Tables C2 Party identity marks that contain words that appear in the proposed identity marks

Party names and descriptions that contain the word - Plaid	Party Name of the similar identifier (if the same indicates the similar identifier is a party name)
British National Party - Plaid Cenedlaethol Prydeinig	British National Party
Plaid Glyndwr	Plaid Glyndwr
British National Party - Plaid Genedlaethol Brydeinig	British National Party
Plaid Democratiadd Prydeinig	British Democratic Party

Party names and descriptions that contain the word - Plaid	Party Name of the similar identifier (if the same indicates the similar identifier is a party name)
Plaid Uchelfreintiau	Prerogatives Party

Party names and descriptions that contain the word - For	Party Name of the similar identifier (if the same indicates the similar identifier is a party name)
British National Party - Plaid Cenedlaethol Prydeinig	British National Party
Plaid Glyndwr	Plaid Glyndwr
British National Party - Plaid Genedlaethol Brydeinig	British National Party

Party names and descriptions that contain the word - Wales	Party Name of the similar identifier (if the same indicates the similar identifier is a party name)
Because we can make Wales better	British National Party

Party names and descriptions that contain the word - For	Party Name of the similar identifier (if the same indicates the similar identifier is a party name)
British National Party - Plaid Cenedlaethol Prydeinig	British National Party
Plaid Glyndwr	Plaid Glyndwr
British National Party - Plaid Genedlaethol Brydeinig	British National Party

Words that when searched, do not appear on the register:

- Leader, cymry, all, strong, voice, Lanelli, Former, police, inspector, intelligence, analyst, north

Application summary

PR 17/06 – 20 February 2017

The following table summarises the applications received by the Commission and the registration team's recommendations

[redacted]

Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales **Proposed description** 1. Cardiff Plaid – Plaid Cymru Caerdydd	• Existing party • Wales only application • Application complete 09.02.17 • Published online 16.02.17 • Recommendation to approve the description

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Application summary

PR 17/06 – 20 February 2017

The following table summarises the applications received by the Commission and the registration team's recommendations

Party name and proposed party identity marks (link to assessment note)	Registration team assessment
	Initial view AI 27/02: I am minded to approve the description in line with the recommendation. **Approval Board Comments** RG: agree to approve the description for the reasons given in the Note. CWe: agree to approve the description. LE: I agree with the recommendation to approve. RT: agree with the recommendation to approve the description TH: I agree with the recommendation to approve the proposed description. **Final Decision** AI 15/03: I approve the description.

[redacted]

Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales

Application to change currently registered details

Political objectives/party information

- The party describes themselves on their website as:
  - a social-democratic political party in Wales advocating for an independent Wales from the United Kingdom within the European Union.
- They have a website[1] and use regularly updated social media accounts.
- The party is intending to stand candidates in Wales and have representation on councils in Wales, in the Welsh Assembly and in the UK Parliament. Their registration entry is available here.
- Their application is compliant with the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000. The application seeks to remove 7 descriptions and replace one which has been assessed below. The already registered descriptions listed in the application are:
  - Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales
  - Plaid Cymru - Your Local Party/ Plaid Cymru - Eich Plaid Leol Chi
  - Plaid Cymru: Leader – Leanne Wood/ Plaid Cymru: Arweinydd – Leanne Wood
  - Plaid Cymru - For All of Wales / Plaid Cymru - Dros Gymru Gyfan

Recommendation

In determining my opinion I am required to consider whether the proposed party identifiers (names, descriptions and emblems) meet the statutory tests as set out in the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000. Except where indicated in Appendix A or when recommending rejecting it, I considered the proposed party identifier below to have met the following the statutory tests.

That the name, descriptions and emblem are:

[1] https://www.plaid.cymru/ accessed 24 February 2017

- Not the same as that of a currently-registered party identity mark
- Not likely to result in voters confusing it with a registered political party
- Not more than 6 words
- Not, in my opinion, obscene or offensive
- Doesn't contain words the publication of which would be likely to amount to the commission of an offence
- If a name or description doesn't include any script other than Roman script
- Does not contain any words prohibited by order of the secretary of state
- Is not likely to mislead voters as to the effect of their vote
- Is not likely to contradict or hinder instructions or guidance given for voting.

I recommend that the following identity mark be **approved** and entered onto the register of political parties in Great Britain.

- Cardiff Plaid – Plaid Cymru Caerdydd

A summary of the searches for similarity are included in Appendix B.

[redacted]
22 February 2017

Appendix B: Proposed description

Proposed description: Cardiff Plaid – Plaid Cymru Caerdydd
Recommendation: Approve

1.1 In making my recommendation to approve the proposed party description I have considered the issues set out in the following paragraphs.

1.2 The Commission's Welsh Language Adviser has confirmed the Welsh used in the proposed description is a mirror of the English used in the description. That is *Cardiff Plaid* means *Plaid Cymru Caerdydd*.

1.2.1 I considered that visually, the Welsh included in the description doesn't look like an exact copy of the English language element of the description. However it doesn't need to be as it isn't being used as a translation of a description, but is contained within the description itself. The Commission is required to be satisfied that it knows what the Welsh says so that we can ensure that the statutory tests set out in PPERA can be applied to the Welsh text. The Commission has verified the Welsh used and is satisfied that it meets the those tests.. We are also required to be satisfied that the description is in Roman script, which it is.

1.3 I searched the register to examine whether this proposed description is likely to cause a voter to confuse it with another already registered identity mark or one that is protected after deregistration.

1.4 The proposed description contains the words Plaid (party) and Cymru. Other already registered or protected identity marks that contain those words are:

Party names and descriptions that contain the word – Plaid and or Cmyru	**Party Name of the similar identifier (if the same indicates the similar identifier is a party name)**
British National Party - Plaid Genedlaethol Brydeinig	British National Party
Plaid Democratiadd Prydeinig	British Democratic Party
Plaid Uchelfreintiau	Prerogatives Party

Party names and descriptions that contain the word – Plaid and or Cmyru	Party Name of the similar identifier (if the same indicates the similar identifier is a party name)
Plaid Glyndwr	Plaid Glyndwr
Cymru Sovereign	Cymru Sovereign

1.5 I am of the opinion that the word Plaid, as with the English version Party, does not offer a substantial point of difference and can be discounted as a word that causes, by itself, confusion.

1.6 The already registered party name Cymru Sovereign doesn't contain enough points of commonality to the proposed description. In that I am not of the opinion that a voter would be confused with it and the proposed description. This is mainly due to both party names being present in the identifiers. Of secondary importance is that the context of two identity marks is different. Cymru Sovereign (aka Wales Sovereign) is different from the concept of describing a local branch of Plaid Cymru – The Party of Wales.

1.7 In my opinion the proposed description is not likely to mislead an elector in the effect of their vote. This is due to the party name being contained in the proposed description.

1.8 I am satisfied that the proposed description does not contradict, or hinder an elector's understanding of, any directions for their guidance in voting given on the ballot paper or elsewhere.

1.9 I have not identified a group or people that would be offended by the proposed description. The proposed description is not obscene.

Appendix B – Searches for the same or similar names and descriptions on the register of political parties in Great Britain for use in Wales

There were no party identity marks that were found to be similar to by an electronic matching process.

Tables B1 Party identity marks that contain words that appear in the proposed identity marks[2]

Party names and descriptions that contain the word - Plaid	**Party Name of the similar identifier (if the same indicates the similar identifier is a party name)**
British National Party - Plaid Genedlaethol Brydeinig	British National Party
Plaid Democratiadd Prydeinig	British Democratic Party
Plaid Uchelfreintiau	Prerogatives Party
Plaid Glyndwr	Plaid Glyndwr

Party names and descriptions that contain the word - Cymru	**Party Name of the similar identifier (if the same indicates the similar identifier is a party name)**
Cymru Sovereign	Cymru Sovereign

Words that when searched, do not appear on the register:

- Cardiff and Caerdydd

[2] I have excluded the party's own identity marks from these lists