Demonstrations set to continue

Madam, For an alcoholic who is alleged to be cured to take up residence in the immediate proximity of an off-licence would be irresponsible and retrogressive, and for a compulsive gambler to live next door to a betting shop would be equally stupid.

Positioning a convicted, but allegedly now harmless, paedophile in a coastal/holiday area, near a school, is irresponsible in the extreme and inevitably causes deep real fear among parents and grandparents.

In real terms, there can be no worse crime which any human can inflict on another than the abuse of the innocent and defenceless. Equally no sentence can be long enough. No matter how long a child who has been abused may live, the sense of outrage and disgust will remain with them for life. The victim's family, parents and grandparents, will never get over it either.

Peaceful demonstration, and it must be peaceful, will continue until our resident paedophile is relocated. He should be moved - possibly on a temporary basis but as soon as possible - to a very remote dwelling with a single track approach which must have electronic surveillance maintained for 24 hours each day.

Not a solution, but it would be far better than the position we are all in at present until a more permanent type of accommodation/policy can be found.

If nothing is done we, as citizens, will be guilty of the crime of omission. The stakes are far too high. No-one must gamble with the protection of our young people and their future.

The way forward, for all concerned, victims, families, police, local authority personnel, community council members, must be for the government to urgently make changes to the penal procedure with respect to convicted paedophiles. It is understood that the situation is in fact currently under review.

Yours etc,
Geoff Kendrew,
Llansantfraed,
Ceredigion

Call to leave village

Madam, As a resident of Llanon, I have unavoidably come into contact with the “paedophile out” campaign and whilst I would usually advocate keeping to oneself, in this instance I have deemed it necessary to support the campaign in the interest of protecting my young family.

The only victims are the children who have been sexually abused by this man in the past, and the residents of Llanon, particularly children and families who are now unable to feel safe whilst this pervert is within our midst.

All we are asking is that the self-confessed paedophile should leave our community. Please, sir, help us to achieve this by leaving our village, and then you and we can live in peace once more.

Yours sincerely,
M Harris, Southcote, Stryd yr Ysgol, Llanon.