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Dear Ms Devlin

Logiealmond Primary School

I read that another shake-up of Schools is proposed, which may lead to the closure of Logiealmond School. This is an appeal on behalf of the Logiealmond area from someone who loves it.

As one of the local landowners, it has long been my ambition to try to revive Logiealmond. Lack of money has prevented that, but there is now the possibility that funds will become available. My hope was to revive activities that were stopped as impractical, out-dated or uneconomic, but which can now be re-examined with a view to revival. As well as reviving traditional rural activities, I had hoped to introduce new activities, especially in the leisure industry.

These and other hopes depend upon recruiting people to work in Logiealmond. This would be so much more difficult, perhaps impossible, if the school closed. Families with young children would have to face long perhaps difficult journeys to school. Logiealmond would become unattractive to potential workers.

There has been a long-term depopulation of Logiealmond, which makes it increasingly difficult to sustain remaining activities and the jobs dependent upon those activities. Closure of the school would make this even more difficult. I fear that a likely consequence of closure is that the area would become a dormitory for Perth and an extended retirement village, rather than a social and economic asset for Perth and Kinross.

Yours sincerely

The Earl of Mansfield