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by Hate Mail reporter **Richard Littleknob** RABIDLY HOMOPHOBIC Tories have seized power in the UK – and Scotland didn't even vote for them. Hate Mail can now expose the vicious

homophobic lies that are

senior among Tory politicians.

Wannabe Scots Tory MP Philip Lardner said before the election that he believed homosexuality to be 'not normal' and 'somewhere between unfortunate and simply wrong'.

ln March, former Shadow Home Secretary Chris Grayling infamously said that he believed B&B owners were within their rights to turn away gay couples.

 Only 26% of Tory MPs supported the Equality Act to outlaw anti-gay discrimination, only 6% supported LGBT adoption, and only 14% voted to equalise the age of consent.

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## equality for %everyone!

In 21st Century Scotland gay and lesbian sexuality is taboo. Heterosexuality is presumed to be the only "normal" or "natural" state of affairs. Our education system gives little or no support to LGBT people who often feel helpless and confused. This is not helped by the barrage of propaganda enforcing the importance of "family values." In reality "family values" are a shorthand for sexism and homophobia with the assumption being that the values of LGBT (and most heterosexual) families as inferior. Only heterosexual sex is "natural" because it preserves the family. The system needs everyone to be "straight". So sexual expression is repressed and distorted from infancy. Not surprisingly, sexuality for young people involves so many fears, tensions, and prejudices.

The fear of being called a "poof" prevents every young person from properly expressing their feelings and emotions whatever their sexuality. The very idea that young people have to make bold statements about their sexuality is nonsense. Human sexuality is fluid and not rigid and definable. This doesn't mean that LGBT people should not express their feelings or be proud to stand up to the hatred which they face. It simply means that the infinite possibilities of human sexuality cannot be defined in a single word.

In Glasgow, the LGBT community has been failed by the corruption of the Labour council giving funding to their cronies, leading to the collapse of another attempt to make a safe space where people can express themselves freely, with the recent closure of the Castro LGBT centre.

If we want a fair and equal society then we must take women's rights and LGBT rights seriously. These are the rights for all humans to enjoy sexual freedom and relationships built on love and respect.

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