

Working for all our people

The Welsh language



“If we are serious about reversing the decline of the Welsh language, different and more radical steps are necessary. Plaid Cymru has been campaigning hard to improve employment opportunities for Welsh speakers, for instance by ensuring a number of Welsh-language apprenticeships in our budget agreement, but much more needs to be done if we are to support the language to thrive.”

Simon Thomas AM, Spokesperson for the Welsh Language

Plaid Cymru believes that the Welsh language belongs to everybody in Wales. We want to see Welsh being used the length and breadth of our country and we will take action so that everybody has the right and opportunity to use Welsh.

Plaid Cymru has worked for Wales

- In government we introduced the Welsh Language Measure 2011 which makes Welsh and English the official languages of Wales and created the Welsh Language Commissioner and Welsh language standards. The purpose of the Welsh language standards is to ensure that Welsh is not treated less favourably than English and that people have the right to use the language. Unfortunately, due to the Welsh Government dragging its feet, the standards are yet to be introduced. We will not support the introduction of any standards that are weaker than the current 1993 Welsh Language Act.



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