



Rights

We want to see the Welsh language thrive, with a rights-based approach allowing speakers to receive Welsh language services in all parts of Wales and supporting Welsh language communities, wherever they are.

We will ensure that strategies are in place to promote Welsh language education and ensure employment of bilingual people so that these services can be provided across Wales.

We will also introduce tougher regulations for those who fail to meet their statutory commitments to support the Welsh language.

We will support local authorities to work through the medium of Welsh, using the good practice developed by Gwynedd Council. We will strengthen the Welsh language standards so that all Welsh speakers in Wales have the right to expect a service in their choice of language from public sector bodies and major private sector companies.

We will allow for the empanelling of bilingual juries in Wales.

We will review any legislation which treats Welsh less favourably than English, with particular reference to those relating to major life events, including registration of births, weddings, samesex partnerships, deaths and cremations

We will ensure that bilingual certificates are available for births and deaths that take place in England to people normally resident in Wales.

We will ensure that service providers located outside Wales meet the same standards of Welsh language provision as those based within Wales when they are contracted to deal with the Welsh public.

We will push for the Welsh language to have official status within the UK Parliament so that meetings of the Welsh Affairs Select Committee and the Welsh Grand Committee can be addressed in either of Wales' two official languages.

We will press the UK Government to make Welsh an official European Union language and give Welsh speakers the right to use their language at all levels and for its status to be internationally recognised.