

**Strategic Language Forum for the Counties for Swansea and Neath Port Talbot
An action plan to achieve the 2050 Welsh Strategy.**

Reporting to: Welsh Government
Meeting: 4 times a year
Evaluation: The remit will need to be evaluated by September 2018
First meeting: September 21st 2017

Membership under consideration

Menter Iaith Abertawe
Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot
City and County of Swansea Council
Neath Port Talbot Borough Council
Cymraeg i Blant
Mudiad Meithrin
Urdd Gobaith Cymru
Ysgol Gyfun Ystalyfera
Ysgol Gyfun Bryntawe
Ysgol Gyfun Gŵyr
ERW
Coleg Gŵyr Swansea
NPTC Group of Colleges
Swansea University
Coleg Cenedlaethol Cymru
University of Wales: Trinity St David
Academi Hywel Teifi
Tŷ Tawe
Tŷ'r Gwrhyd
Clybiau Gwawr
Merched y Wawr
Welsh Government
ABMU Health Board
South Wales Police
Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service
Public Service Board
RHAG
Western Bay Partnership
Welsh for Adults Swansea Bay
SCVS
NPT CVS
Cymdeithas yr Iaith Gymraeg
Dyfodol yr Iaith
The Mentrau Business Officer
Second language schools

Aim

The Language Forum will be a central hub for joint planning at a strategic level, and sharing information and partnership working on activities, projects and opportunities created by membership groups on the forum. Working together, we will avoid duplication and plan together to achieve our aim, by sharing good practice and supporting each other's work to strengthen the Welsh language within the communities of the counties of Swansea and Neath Port Talbot.

Terms of reference

A responsibility for developing and implementing a strategy to develop and maintain Welsh medium activities and services as follows:

- Plan and implement a county, cross border and regional cooperation policy and procedure in relation to the Welsh language;
- Individual partners to report back to their local groups / committees about what is being discussed at the meetings;
- Notify partners and funding authorities about issues arising from the meetings;
- Co-operate with organisations and departments to normalise and develop the use of Welsh.

Meetings and membership

The Language Forum will meet four times a year.

These meetings will be co-ordinated by Menter Iaith Abertawe and Castell-nedd Port Talbot.

Any member is welcome to invite the Forum to meet in their venue to allow everyone to visit the various organisations offering Welsh medium provision.

The Forum will invite organisations within the public, private and voluntary sectors, who provide Welsh language services, are interested in developing Welsh opportunities or who have duties to provide these opportunities, to join the Forum.

An up-to-date list of Forum members will be found on the Language Forum section of the Menter Iaith Abertawe and Castell-nedd Port Talbot websites.

Forum members are also encouraged to include a link to this page from their websites also.

The content of meeting agendas will be flexible and provide an opportunity:

- to share good practice;
- to work collaboratively with local projects;
- to respond to local issues regarding the Welsh language by joint working between the group membership and the public;
- to contribute constructively to strategies and policies that will provide support and promote the everyday use of the Welsh language in the communities of Swansea and Neath Port Talbot and nationally.

These Terms of Reference were agreed by members of the first meeting on _____

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