

<b>COMMITTEE</b>	Llŷn AONB Joint Advisory Committee
<b>DATE</b>	June 27 <sup>th</sup> 2024
<b>TITLE</b>	“Perthyn” (Belonging) Project
<b>PURPOSE</b>	Inform members
<b>AUTHOR</b>	AONB Officer
<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	Accept the information

## **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

1.1 This report on the “Perthyn” project is included on the agenda of the JAC at the request of the member for Tudweiliog Community Council.

## **2.0 AREA OF LINGUISTIC SIGNIFICANCE**

2.1 On December the 11th 2023 three Llŷn Community Councils – Aberdaron, Botwnnog and Tudweiliog decided to designate their areas as Areas of Linguistic Significance. Their aim was to sustain and strengthen the Welsh language in Llŷn. The Councils are worried because the Welsh language is being impacted by developments such as second homes, holiday homes and tourism in general.

2.2 Following on other Community Councils have also joined the project – Nefyn, Buan, Llanbedrog, Llannor and Llanystumdwy.

2.3 A paper by the Welsh Communities Commission refers to designating areas where there is a high percentage of Welsh speakers as Areas of Linguistic Significance. In those areas it suggests the possibility of adapting public policies in order to support the Welsh language.

2.4 More information on the “Perthyn” project can be seen in an article in the community paper Llanw Llŷn, January 2024 (translated in Appendix B).

## **3.0 RECOMMENDATION**

3.1 To accept the report.