

## **Guide to Cyngor Gwynedd's Model Education Language Policy**

The purpose of this guide is to aid schools and governing bodies in developing a Delivery Plan in the context of the Welsh language. When developing a Delivery Plan, schools are expected to consider Cyngor Gwynedd's Model Education Language Policy (2026)

### **Implementation Objectives of Cyngor Gwynedd's Model Education Language Policy (2026):**

- All schools should adopt a Language Education Policy together with a Welsh Education Delivery Plan.
- The Governing Body must ensure that the school provides Welsh language education in accordance with or above the requirements of the Policy.
- The Governing Body has a statutory duty to submit a draft of their Delivery Plan to Cyngor Gwynedd. Cyngor Gwynedd will subsequently either accept or reject the Delivery Plan. If the Delivery Plan is rejected, Cyngor Gwynedd will ask the Governing Body to reconsider the contents.
- The role of the Governing Body is to ensure that the agreed Delivery Plan is fully implemented.
- The school's Language Education Policy and the Welsh Education Delivery Plan:
  - identify the aims and objectives for the teaching of the Welsh language and for teaching through the medium of Welsh.
  - state the amount of Welsh language education provided, ensuring that the school provides Welsh education, in accordance with the school's language category.
  - outline how the Governing Body carries out its duties to provide the required percentage of Welsh education, in accordance with the language category of the school.
  - set out the steps taken to ensure that all new speakers have access to late-immersion education.
  - identify how the Governing Body promotes a Welsh ethos and use of Welsh within the school, and support parents who are not confident Welsh speakers in assisting their children's learning.
- In drawing up the Welsh Language Delivery Plan, the Governing Body is expected to consult with Gwynedd Education Authority officials regarding its content.
- Each Welsh Language Education Delivery Plan shall remain in effect for a period of three school years.
- A draft of the school's Welsh Education Delivery Plan must be submitted to Cyngor Gwynedd at least nine months before it comes into force.
- The Welsh Education Delivery Plan is regularly monitored by Cyngor Gwynedd.