

The Welsh Language



Welsh Language

- Welsh Language Act 1993

The principle: in the conduct of public business and the administration of justice in Wales, *Welsh and English should be treated on an equal basis*

- Welsh Language Board

The 1993 Act established the Welsh Language Board on a statutory basis.

Aim: *to promote and facilitate the use of the Welsh language*

The Board's responsibilities

- Grants in support (4 voluntary organizations):
 - Mudiad Ysgolion Meithrin: The Welsh-language nursery school movement
 - The Royal National Eisteddfod of Wales
 - Urdd Gobaith Cymru: The Welsh-language youth movement
 - The Welsh Books Council. Administers grants to publishers, runs promotion projects (children's book club)

Other Initiatives

- Radio and TV-programmes in Welsh
- The fourth TV-channel, **Sianel 4 Cymru**: 12 hours of programmes a day being broadcast in the medium on S4C
- Local newspapers? Publications are printed wholly/partly in Welsh

Thank you for your attention!

