

# Pre-legislative public consultation on Bilingual Services

## Evidence from Urdd Gobaith Cymru

I write on behalf of Urdd Gobaith Cymru in response to the consultation.

We welcome the intention to legislate on the Welsh language in the National Assembly by amending the Government of Wales Act 2006.

In our opinion,

(i) The Record of Plenary proceedings should be fully bilingual, and the Act itself should clearly state that this will be the case. We believe that this will ensure the status of the Welsh language.

(ii) The Bill and Scheme should be expanded to include more than "services" only.

(iii) The aim should be to ensure that everyone who works for the Assembly and who can speak Welsh should be able to use the language in his or her daily work in the Assembly.

(iv) In order to ensure that the Scheme is implemented, there need to be clear targets that can be measured over a period of time.

Thank you

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