



Cyngor Castell-nedd Port Talbot
Neath Port Talbot Council

APPENDIX 2



Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council
Welsh Language Promotion Strategy 2023-2028
**Annual report 2025-2026 – Progress on
Action Plan**

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Progress on Action Plan for 2025-2026

Strategic Theme 1: Increasing the numbers of Welsh speakers

Area of work: Support the implementation of the WESP 2022-2032

Action: 1.1 Promote the 'Welsh Homework Help' Facebook group to all pupils and their families who attend Welsh medium schools

Progress 2025-2026:

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot (MICNPT) has continued to promote the 'Welsh Homework Help' Facebook group to parents across the Neath Port Talbot area throughout the year.

To support the group's growth and effectiveness, Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot has:

- Shared high-quality information and resources specifically designed for parents.
- Attended a wide variety of local events, including school open days and parent and toddler groups.
- Hosted information stalls at partner-led events to increase awareness and provide direct support to families.

There are currently 305 members in the group.

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot regularly posts updates regarding the Welsh language and national events, ensuring parents remain engaged with the wider Welsh-speaking community. Furthermore, we continue to create and distribute bespoke resources that parents can use with their children to support learning at home.

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot has delivered Welsh language awareness sessions as part of the 'Cymraeg yn y Cartref' course at Ysgol Treges. They continue to work in close partnership with Learn Welsh Swansea Bay Region (Dysgu Cymraeg Ardal Bae Abertawe) to promote their range of Welsh language courses to the community.

To support learners further, we host 'Caffi Cymraeg' sessions across the county. These sessions provide a vital opportunity for both Welsh learners and fluent speakers to use their Welsh in a relaxed, social environment outside of the formal classroom setting.

Furthermore, Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot actively promotes available Welsh courses when attending community events, specifically targeting parents and families of children within Welsh-medium education to encourage bilingualism at home.

Action: 1.2 Update and promote the ‘Benefits of Bilingualism’ booklet to families

Progress 2025-2026:

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot have developed a digital version of the booklet, which can be accessed via a direct link or a QR code. We display this QR code on information stalls and share the link with parents during community events.

Action: 1.3 Promote bilingualism to perinatal families

Progress 2025-2026:

4 childcare buildings/spaces have been successfully tendered to offer Welsh Language or Bilingual childcare. All 4 will open early 2026, increasing the amount of Welsh childcare provision available for families within NPT

292 children aged two-year-old and three-year-old have accessed Welsh or Bilingual Flying Start funded childcare during 25/26

Many Welsh speaking staff are available across the Early Years and Flying Start department to support families, children, childcare providers and deliver and family support services

Early Years staff within NPTCBC and SBUHB are educated regarding the benefits of bilingualism, including speaking Welsh, so benefits can be confidently passed on to parents and service providers.

Early Years and Flying Start teams delivering “Cynefin” Music workshops within childcare settings.

Childcare settings successfully achieving and working towards our Early Years NPTCBC Welsh in Childcare Award, increasing the level of Welsh and confidence using the language

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot holds monthly Welsh song and rhyme sessions in local libraries for babies and new parents. By hosting these in public areas of the library, we ensure the sessions are both highly visible and accessible to all members of the community.

Additionally, Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot has visited various parent and toddler groups and baby groups throughout the area. These visits allow us to deliver engaging Welsh song sessions while providing an opportunity to speak directly with parents about the long-term benefits of bilingualism.

The council provides Flying Start provision for just over a third of young children across the authority, in both English and Welsh. These sessions offer opportunities for early interventions and family support, in addition to the early skills development of the youngest children, especially those from low-income households.

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot delivers a programme of school holiday activities. Our 'Baby Song and Sign' sessions are held in local libraries using an open-access policy (no booking required) to ensure they are available to everyone. This approach has significantly increased the community's exposure to Welsh-language activities.

Area of work: Language transmission in the home

Action: 1.4 Identify the availability (face to face and online), cost and location of Welsh language courses and promote these to residents

Progress 2025-2026:

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot have continued with the work of signposting parents to the Dysgu Cymraeg ABA website and officers and the Clwb Cwtch sessions provided by Mudiad Meithrin.

They have also worked in partnership with Castell-nedd Port Talbot Addysg Adult learning in the community to provide a Welsh course “*Dysgu Cymraeg gyda’ch plentyn*” in Ysgol Cwmllynfell. This course was free for parents and the children were also included at the end of the session to practice together.

Action: 1.5 Develop and promote Welsh language awareness sessions to residents

Progress 2025-2026:

Throughout the year, Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot hosted information stalls at various partner-led events to promote the benefits of Welsh-medium education to parents. A highlight was their collaboration during the 'In It Together' festival, where they delivered Welsh-language activities on the NPT Youth Service stall - providing an excellent platform to raise awareness of the language and educational opportunities.

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot has also actively promoted the Uned Y Cwm setting to parents interested in latecomer provision or transferring their children into Welsh-medium education.

To engage with families at an early stage, Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot organises and hosts monthly Welsh Song and Rhyme sessions in libraries across Neath Port Talbot. These sessions are free to attend with no booking required, allowing us to discuss the advantages of Welsh education with parents in a relaxed environment while raising the profile of the language within the county.

Furthermore, Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot has delivered Welsh-language sessions within English-medium schools. These sessions aim to raise awareness and provide additional opportunities for children and young people to develop and use their Welsh language skills outside of their standard curriculum.

Area of work: Support people learning/speaking Welsh

Action: 1.6 Provide opportunities for Council staff to access appropriate levels of Welsh language learners/improvement courses

Progress 2025-2026:

The council's mandatory Welsh Language in NPT eLearning course continues to be a foundation for introducing staff to the importance of Welsh language in the workplace. The course covers a brief history of the Welsh language, law and policy, why Welsh is important including Welsh Language Standards information on receiving calls, emails, scheduling and chairing meetings, translation services and training.

By 31st March 2026, 4,725 staff members had completed the course. This represents 64.2% of the overall workforce and marks an increase of 1,866 since the end of the previous year.

The eLearning course is hosted on our Learning Management System Thingi. Monitoring and reporting on course completions is easier than previous systems, accessibility to the platform and the overall user experience of the system is vastly improved and contributes to the reasons for why we have seen a significant increase over the last year in the number of course completions. The course has also been automated so that all new employees are automatically enrolled on their first day of employment.

Following the refresh of the corporate induction programme in 2024–2025, the training materials were made fully bilingual, and the Welsh language content was significantly expanded. The original two-slide overview of the Welsh Language Standards was

replaced with an 11-slide section providing a comprehensive overview of the Standards and signposting staff to relevant resources. During 2025-2026, three corporate induction sessions were delivered, with a total of 243 attendees.

Action: 1.7 Create and promote Welsh language resources for families and the public more generally

Progress 2025-2026:

The “Learning and Using Welsh” area on the Council’s website saw a total of 705 hits in 2025-2026, an increase from 540 in 2024-2025.

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot continued to develop a range of resources throughout the year for both parents and children. These materials were distributed during face-to-face sessions and made available digitally via the Welsh Homework Help Facebook page.

To support adult learners, Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot has created bespoke resources designed for use in social settings outside of the classroom. These practical activities are specifically aimed at promoting the social use of Welsh and building learners' confidence in everyday conversation.

Furthermore, Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot has produced a comprehensive resource pack for all youth clubs within the Neath Port Talbot area. This pack is designed to assist staff in delivering engaging Welsh-language activities within their clubs. To ensure ongoing support, each youth club receives additional themed resources during our pre-term meetings. By increasing the presence of the Welsh language within youth settings, we are successfully promoting the language to young people in a relaxed, informal environment.

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot have continued with the work of signposting parents to the Dysgu Cymraeg Ardal Bae Abertawe website and officers and the Clwb Cwtch sessions provided by Mudiad Meithrin.

Dysgu Cymraeg Ardal Bae Abertawe have also worked in partnership with Castell-nedd Port Talbot Addysg oedolion yn y gymuned to provide a Welsh course Dysgu Cymraeg gyda’ch plentyn in Ysgol Cwmllynfell. This course was free for parents, with the children were included at the end of the session to practice together.

Action: 1.8 Develop/signpost to appropriate courses and support for teaching and non-teaching staff learning Welsh

Progress 2025-2026:

There is a designated page in the Training area on NPT Connect (the council's intranet). This includes link to an online Welsh language training programme; signposting to Cymraeg Gwaith/Work Welsh resources and an outline of the benefits of learning Welsh to the Council and to individuals. The training programme details various opportunities available to the workforce including:

- Corporate course provision
- Neath port Talbot Adult Learning in the Community courses
- Online taster courses from Work Welsh at the Centre for Learning Welsh
- Help me choose a course assessment tool
- Welsh Language courses for the Education Sector
- Social Care Wales training modules including Care and Comfort in Welsh for palliative care workers
- Signposting to learning Welsh tools including applications like Duolingo, Say Something in Welsh, Podcasts, Music and radio stations, resources for Children.

The council's Thinqi platform continues to develop and is a completely bilingual platform, there is parity between the English and Welsh pages and this is regularly monitored by the Learning, Training & Development Team. We continue to strengthen content available on the platform giving the workforce more opportunities to access Welsh learning. In the last year we have:

- Developed a new catalogue for Learning Welsh in the library area
- Integrated the Inclusion Service and Early years and Childcare Unit to using the Thinqi platform, this means that Units full training catalogue is managed through the platform and includes 456 workers from the early years and childcare sector.
- Host various eLearning content, resources and event information for learning Welsh.

Strategic Theme 2: Increasing the use of Welsh

Area of work: Support and promote the use of Welsh in social settings 2022-2032

Action: 2.1 Explore opportunities with the Library Service to raise awareness of Welsh language books/materials with residents

Progress 2025-2026:

There were 6,816 Welsh language items loaned by the Library Service in 2025/26.

Over the year the Library service also delivered 195 Welsh language events with 1,684 attendees.

Events included Song and Rhyme Sessions, School events, Welsh learner coffee mornings.

Welsh language events were held as part of the October Children's Book Festival and the Stars of the Shelves programme.

The reading group collection grew for a second year.

Action: 2.2 Explore opportunities to increase the visibility of the Welsh language at all leisure and cultural facilities

Progress 2025-2026:

The Urdd Eisteddfod took place in Margam Park in May 2025 and was a fantastic success. The NPT Pavilion delivered a fully bilingual experience to visitors and residents. All Pavilion signage, interpretation and social media promotion was produced in Welsh and English alongside videos showcasing 'Adventure' and 'Creativity' in NPT. Welsh speaking NPT staff were present throughout the week to welcome visitors and engage with the public in Welsh. We also welcomed Welsh medium schools to use our performance space for rehearsals.

The Richard Burton 100 Centenary campaign used the Welsh language consistently across all campaign promotional activity. All social media posts, digital advertising was produced bilingually. This also included event listings on the dedicated RB100 website. Video content was also created in Welsh and English to ensure accessibility. At the RB100 Gala, the event invitations and printed programme was fully bilingual.

During the year, Pontardawe Arts Centre delivered a diverse programme of Welsh-medium and bilingual cultural activity, supporting the council's wider Welsh language objectives. This included Welsh language music events, children's theatre and seasonal programming such as Hen Galan which celebrated Welsh Old New Year traditions.

Pontardawe Arts Centre supported participation through events such as the Welsh Learners' Eisteddfod Dysgwyr, in partnership with Dysgu Cymraeg Ardal Bae Abertawe and by hosting the Eisteddfod Cwmtawe. The venue also works in partnership with Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot which has enabled additional Welsh language music and theatre events, including performances by Welsh language band, Dros Dro a Dadleoli. In 2025-2026, there were a total of 16 Welsh Language and Culture events held at Pontardawe Arts Centre, with over 875 attendees

Eisteddfod Cwm Tawe 2026 was held at the Pontardawe Arts Centre on the 28th of February 2026. During this event, over 1,000 people came through the doors. There were 88 competitions in total, for homework and stage, 5 preliminary heats were held for primary age competitions due to the number of competitors entered. There were over 500 competitors across the competitions, including 12 choirs or singing parties; 5 recitation parties; and 5 dance parties. A total 18 schools came to compete across all the competitions, and 6 of those were English-medium.

From November 2026 there is an Arts Council Wales funded Arts Development Manager in post at Pontardawe Arts Centre who is fully bilingual, this increases Welsh language visibility and ensures that all communications and project development with communities, individuals and organisations can take place either in English or Cymraeg as appropriate.

In 2025-2026, there were two Welsh Language and Culture events held at the Gwyn Hall, Neath with over 700 attendees in total.

Action: 2.3 Work with partners to encourage greater use and awareness of the language in all youth clubs

Progress 2025-2026:

In partnership with NPT Youth Service, Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot has developed a comprehensive Welsh-language resource pack. This has been distributed to every youth club within the authority for use during their regular sessions. To ensure ongoing engagement, additional themed resources are provided to the clubs during every pre-term planning meeting.

NPT Youth Service and Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot co-ran three dedicated Welsh-language youth clubs across the authority are, providing a vital social space for young people to use the language.

Action: 2.4 Explore with children and young people how Welsh can be used more in a social context.

Progress 2025-2026:

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot have held various events relating to Youth Engagement and Music, including:

- Welsh language Silent Discos: We have delivered Welsh silent discos to primary schools, providing pupils with a fun and modern way to engage with contemporary Welsh music.
- Live Music & Resources: We arranged for a live band to visit local schools and developed a bespoke Karaoke Pack for teachers and pupils to use following the performance to sustain interest.
- Tanio'r Ddraig: In partnership with the Siarter Iaith, Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot organises the annual Tanio'r Ddraig gig at Ysgol Gymraeg Ystalyfera, specifically for Year 6 pupils within the Welsh-medium cluster

Action: 2.5 Work with local musicians to provide creative sessions for young people - exploring personal journeys in Welsh music, etc.

Progress 2025-2026:

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot works in close partnership with Pontardawe Arts Centre to deliver a varied programme of Welsh-language events throughout the year. This collaboration has enabled us to host regular, larger-scale events, which in turn is successfully growing our audiences.

Traditions and Celebrations:

- Hen Galan: To celebrate the Hen Galan (Welsh New Year), Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot coordinated morning workshops for six schools to explore Welsh folk traditions. This culminated in a successful community celebration held at the Pontardawe Arts Centre.
- Foundation Phase Theatre: We also arranged four free performances by Siani Sionc at the Arts Centre for Foundation Phase pupils across the local authority.

Community Music and Social Groups:

- Ukulele & Folk: Our Welsh ukulele sessions have been highly successful, with the group now performing at local events. We also host a monthly strumming session at the Pontardawe Inn for musicians to play Welsh tunes.

- Sesh Fach Cwmtawe: This initiative provides a welcoming space for people to learn traditional folk tunes and practice their Welsh skills.
- Monthly Sing-along: Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot holds a regular community sing-along at the Smiths Arms, Rhos, providing a public platform for Welsh songs and local culture.

Area of work: Expand the use of Welsh in the workplace etc

Action: 2.6 Identify and promote alternative language skills training opportunities to Council staff

Progress 2025-2026:

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot delivered one 'Hyder-ish' course during this period. second cohort of “Hyder-ish” has been delivered to Council staff. A total of 6 members of staff completed the course, which is focused on re-building confidence in the use of Welsh. Unfortunately, due to staffing constraints, Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot have been unable to facilitate further courses at this time.

Action: 2.7 Promote and embed the Council’s Internal use of Welsh Policy

Progress 2025-2026:

During 2025-2026, the council progressed with the development of an Internal Use of Welsh Policy, as part of a pilot led by the Welsh Language Commissioner relating to this area of work. The policy is planned to be published during the 2026-27 financial year and will align with wider Welsh language initiatives, all of which aim to assist staff in fulfilling their Welsh language obligations

Strategic Theme 3: Creating Favourable Conditions: Infrastructure and Context

Area of work: Increase the visibility of the language across the area

Action: 3.1 Develop and implement a new Culture and Heritage Strategy that promotes awareness, use and visibility of the Welsh language within Neath Port Talbot

Progress 2025-2026:

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot continues to deliver Welsh-language awareness sessions within English-medium schools (formerly second-language schools) to foster a positive attitude toward the language. Furthermore, in collaboration with NPT Youth Services, we delivered bespoke Culture and Heritage sessions for young people across the authority, strengthening their connection to Welsh identity.

Action: 3.2 Promote Business Wales' free Welsh translation and advice service, Helo Blod, to our business community

Progress 2025-2026:

Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot sends out a fortnightly newsletter that includes information on the Helo Blod scheme.

Action: 3.3 Ensure Welsh language, heritage and culture is a key component of the Destination Management Plan currently being developed.

Progress 2025-2026:

We continue to integrate the Welsh language and sense of place into all Destination Management Plan actions and marketing campaigns.

All marketing activity across the Council's commercial venues, including Margam Country Park, Gnoll Country Park, The Orangery, Pontardawe Arts Centre and The Princess Royal Theatre is delivered bilingually across digital, print, social media, placed advertising and on-site materials, ensuring compliance with Welsh Language Standards.

The Welsh language events programme at Pontardawe Arts Centre has been promoted in partnership with Menter Iaith Castell-nedd Port Talbot. In addition to that the team have also delivered targeted social media advertising that directly targets Welsh language social media users. The team also promote Welsh language content through internal corporate channels and external partner networks.

The Commercial Marketing Team created a cross-venue social media video to mark 'Shwmae Shwmae Day' on October 15th 2025, featuring staff from various roles at our commercial venues using Welsh greetings, achieving a combined organic reach of approximately 20,000 across Facebook and Instagram.

The team is also delivering a rebranding exercise for the commercial venues, with bilingual marketing embedded as a core principle.

Any Welsh Language Arts Programme in NPT is promoted to council staff and the public equally in English and Cymraeg and targeted mailing to speakers of Cymraeg takes place where appropriate.

The bilingual Dramatic Heart of Wales and Pride of Place campaign outputs and targets achieved include a campaign reach of over 2 million (2,428,223) and 1 million three hundred reach on social media. (1,358,851). Additional outputs include a total of 45,104 engagements, 10 bloggers and press visits, 21 pieces of media, 48% increase social media followers and a total of 93 stakeholders engaged with.

A bilingual approach is embedded across all of our venue marketing, ensuring Welsh is consistently represented in our on-site signage, digital and print displays and advertising, and customer facing communications.

The customer journey is available in both Welsh and English, and Welsh-speaking staff are identifiable through the use of 'Cymraeg' badges.

All arts projects taking place in leisure and cultural facilities are promoted bilingually, increasing the visibility of the language.

The promotion of the Arts Council Wales Nights Out scheme to venues including community venues encourages more Welsh/local/Welsh language events across NPT.

All NPT CBC's Pavilion signage, interpretation and social media promotion was produced in Welsh and English alongside videos showcasing 'Adventure' and 'Creativity' in NPT. Welsh speaking NPT staff were present throughout the week to welcome visitors and engage with the public in Welsh. We also welcomed Welsh medium schools to use our performance space for rehearsals.

Action: 3.4 Work with the NPT BME Community Association to explore ways to increase awareness of the Welsh Language and culture within communities

Progress 2025-2026:

In October 2025, an event was held at Pontardawe Arts Centre for the Windrush Celebration, with support from the Ethnic Employee Network. The event was well attended, with bilingual introductions made and saw a performance Welsh folk singer, Kizzy Crawford.

Action: 3.5 Develop a Welsh focus for the Council's 'Let's Talk' campaign with 'Let's Talk Welsh' 'Dewch i sgwrsio Cymraeg'

Progress 2025-2026:

During the Eisteddfod yr Urdd Dur a Môr 2025, the council launched its Dewch i Sgwrsio – Let's Talk campaign, which directs residents to opportunities and resources for using and learning Welsh as part of the council's broader efforts to support and promote the language.

Since the launch of the campaign, we have seen an increase in the number of Welsh Language events in the "What's on" events database. A total of 133 events within 2025-2026, in comparison with 45 events in 2024-2025.

Since the launch of the campaign, the web page has received almost 200 hits.

The Welsh language version of the Council's website has seen a significant increase in hits, from 22,284 in 2024-2025, to 53,809 in 2025-2026

Action: 3.6 Ensure Welsh is promoted as part of the SPF monitoring system for the Council's Business Anchor project, i.e., gathering key data, and identifying if support is required to implement practices as part of the new Economic Development Customer Management system.

Progress 2025-2026:

This Fund is now closed – 2024/25 update continued to be followed throughout the delivery period. The Economic Development team are now working on a new application for Local Growth Funding (3-year project) which will continue to promote both Welsh and English communication preferences in relation to all promotional materials and applications processes.

Since the beginning of 2025, the workstream of the Economic Development team has significantly shifted from delivering Council mainstream business support services to administering the 5 Tata Transition Funds (approximately (approx. value of £30m). Whilst we encourage the use of the Welsh language in terms of promoting the schemes and, ensuring that those who wish to apply in Welsh are able to, there are no specific Welsh Language key performance indicators to meet.

Action: 3.7 Explore the feasibility of creating a Welsh language promotion coordinator to work with services and partners

Progress 2025-2026:

The Welsh Language Promotion Officer is in post and is currently working on targets as set out in the Welsh Education Strategic Plan. This includes working with staff who lead on developing pupils' use of Welsh in social contexts and fostering a strong language ethos. The team promotes a holistic approach to teaching Welsh, with a clear emphasis on oracy, and provides in-class support for teachers and learning support assistants. Although most of this support takes place in primary schools, middle leaders of Welsh in the secondary sector have access to the same suite of helpful professional learning resources.

Area of work: Embed Welsh into all our strategies and plans

Action: 3.8 Develop and implement our internal language skills policy across our service areas

Progress 2025-2026:

During 2025-2026, the Council progressed with the development of an Internal Use of Welsh Policy, as part of a pilot led by the Welsh Language Commissioner relating to this area of work. The policy is planned to be published during the 2026–27 financial year and will align with wider Welsh language initiatives, all of which aim to assist staff in fulfilling their Welsh language obligations

Action: 3.9 Ensure the Welsh language is central to the design and application of new technologies

Progress 2025-2026:

Over the past year we have continued to build on the strong foundations established in previous years to ensure that the Welsh language remains central to the design and delivery of customer facing digital services. Welsh language content design remains embedded within our product and service teams with all new digital content developed bilingually by default. Our corporate website continues to mature following its December 2024 relaunch, supported by established practices such as pair writing with services and ongoing accessibility monitoring through Silk tide, an accessibility checker, to assure Web Content Accessibility Guidelines compliance across both Welsh and English content.

Our MyNPT resident account platform continues to operate as a fully bilingual digital channel with language preference applied across transactions, notifications and communications. During this period, we have also introduced an AWS Translate AI tool to support Welsh translation, helping teams improve speed and consistency while retaining human review to ensure quality and compliance with Welsh Language Standards.

This work aligns with our Digital by Design Programme, the Digital, Data and Technology Strategy, and the NPT Digital Service Standards, supporting delivery of the Welsh Language Promotion Strategy and reinforcing our commitment to a digitally inclusive Neath Port Talbot.

Action: 3.10 Ensure Welsh is taken into account during the development of the commemoration of people and events in the public realm policy

Progress 2025-2026:

- The Canal Connections project was completed and translated into Welsh in March 2026. The document will go live in Spring 2026 on the NPT website in Welsh and English.
- The new Commemorative Blue Plaque Scheme opened for nominations in early 2025. The first fully bi-lingual plaques were installed in November 2025, honouring Richard Burton and his adoptive father Philip Burton. These were followed in March 2026 with a plaque unveiled in honour of Ray Milland from Neath, Wales's first Oscar winner. Additional blue plaques were approved in late 2025 and are scheduled for installation later in 2026
- All National Lottery promotional material is issued bilingually, in accordance with National Lottery Health Funding policy and grant conditions.
- All posts on Social Media platforms are posted in Welsh and English.
- NPT Council Staff Training online training module on *Heritage Crime* available in both Welsh and English for staff on Thingi.
- All press releases generated around the *Heritage NPT* Project's activities and projects are published in both Welsh and English. Five press releases were published in 2025/2026.
- Eight events organised in 2025/2026 with all leaflets and posters created and available in Welsh and English

Action: 3.11 Review the target of 1% increase in the number of Welsh speakers in NPT following analysis of all relevant data

Progress 2025-2026:

This was not progressed during 2025-2026. The aim will be to review this target in 2026-27 with Fforwm Iaith CnPT which was re-established in June 2025.

Action: 3.12 Explore the establishment of a Welsh Champion category in the Council's internal Team NPT Awards

Progress 2025-2026:

The Team NPT Awards have been discontinued; consequently, this action is no longer applicable.