

## **Welsh Language Policy**



Presteigne and Norton is a predominantly English speaking area. The 2011 Census shows that more than 87% of residents (over three years of age) have no knowledge of Welsh. Nevertheless the Town Council acknowledges the importance of the Welsh Language in Wales.

Council documentation is produced in English as is the Council website and Facebook page. Through the inclusion of a google translate button on the site it is possible to obtain an immediate approximate translation into Welsh. Whilst the limitations and accuracy of this are appreciated it is felt that the ease of availability makes this a worthwhile and acceptable option.

The Council is happy to receive correspondence in Welsh although replies may be delayed while translation is sought. Where requested the Council will try to reply in Welsh although again there will be a delay in order for translation to be obtained.

Full translations of Council documents into Welsh are not automatically produced but the Council will make every effort to provide these on request.

The Council has one employee and thirteen Councillors. None at present are Welsh speaking and meetings are conducted in English.

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To be Reviewed annually in May.