

# ALEXANDRA HALL ACTION GROUP

## Welsh Language Policy

### Background

The current use of the Welsh Language in the village of Llangammarch Wells and surrounding area could be summarised briefly as follows:

The Welsh Language is used by a minority of inhabitants as their first language.

For a majority some Welsh is understood and could be spoken but rarely is.

For a minority of school children Welsh is actively learnt as a first language in primary or secondary school Welsh streams

All other school age children learn Welsh as a second language

There is a group of adults learning Welsh through local adult education classes

### Policy

It is our policy to promote an increasing use of bilingual and Welsh in activities and events in the Hall and in the surrounding area

We aim to do this by

1. providing opportunities for Welsh speakers to use their first language
2. providing opportunities for Welsh learners to hear and practise their Welsh
3. providing settings where the Welsh language is heard and used naturally as an everyday experience
4. promoting new interest in the language, encourage those who can speak to use their knowledge and encourage non-speakers to start learning
5. encourage young children to learn together e.g. by establishing Cylch Meithrin and organising Noson Llawn, Eisteddfodau etc
6. supporting the History Society in its oral history project to record Welsh speakers for their archive
7. printing a growing proportion of publicity, promotional and information notices bi-lingually
8. actively recruiting Welsh speakers on to the managements committee and committees, and as volunteers