

Welcome to Wales – Welcome to Welsh

Welsh Government, the Isle of Anglesey County Council, and Menter Iaith Môn have worked together to produce the Welcome to Wales/ Welcome to Welsh booklet for individuals and families moving to the island from outside Wales. The aim is to ensure that those who are new to Anglesey have an understanding of the Welsh language and the role it plays in the day to day lives of the island's residents.

As one of the regions of Wales where the language is at its strongest, this is a pilot project – and if successful it will be rolled out to other areas.

On launching the new booklet at Canolfan Iaith Moelfre, Eluned Morgan AM, Minister for Welsh Language and Lifelong Learning said:

“It’s a pleasure to come to Anglesey on my first visit to north Wales as Minister for Welsh Language and Lifelong Learning to launch this booklet. I’m sure it will help those who move to the area to settle and to understand the area. I hope they will be inspired to learn more about local culture and to learn the language.”

Helen Williams, Chief Officer with Menter Iaith Môn added:

“We’re pleased to welcome the Minister to Anglesey today. This is an important project, and we’re grateful to the Government and the Isle of Anglesey County Council for their support as partners in the development of this new resource.

“We will be working with local schools to ensure we reach the right audiences, and several estate agents on the island have already agreed to distribute the booklet. We hope to extend this to other organisations and businesses across Anglesey. With plans for a number of substantial developments here on the island – it’s important that we not only take steps to protect and promote the language but also to help those who move here for the first time to understand a bit more about our language and culture.”

Ieuan Williams, portfolio holder for the Welsh Language at the Isle of Anglesey County Council said:

“We welcome this booklet, and hope it will raise awareness within a wider audience of the importance of the Welsh language and culture here on Anglesey, a heartland of the language.”

The launch will take place at 09:00 on the 29th of January at Canolfan Iaith,

Ysgol Gymuned Moelfre, Anglesey.