

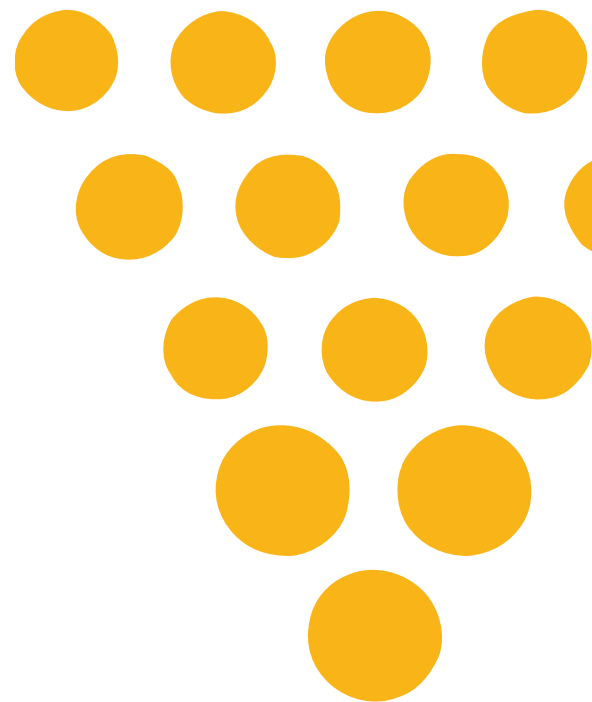


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Cornish Language Policy

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Cornish Language Policy

1. Cornwall Council recognises the importance of the Cornish language as a unique asset which has been central to the defining of Cornwall's distinct heritage and culture.
2. Cornwall Council celebrates the Cornish language as a vital part of Cornwall's contemporary culture and accepts its responsibility under the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages to safeguard and promote the language in accordance with the principles and provisions of the Charter which apply to Cornish.
3. The Council further recognises the part that Cornish language and culture have to play in the promotion of Cornwall and the economic, social and cultural benefit that may derive from it and will consider its place in relation to the Council's priorities, policies and services.
4. In furtherance of this recognition, the Council will prepare a Cornish Language Plan which will set out the actions it will take to meet its responsibilities and will ensure that the plan is carefully monitored.
5. The Council will also seek to encourage, where possible, the recognition and use of Cornish by its partners and customers.
6. Cornwall Council as the lead body for language planning will support and develop the Translation Service, to provide quality assured translations to the community and to provide expert linguistic advice to the Council.
7. The Council will use the Standard Written Form of Cornish and will expect its partners to do so for official and public use of Cornish, and will source advice from the Akademi Kernewek on the application of standards.

Implementation of the Cornish Language Policy – Strategic Commitments

In order to fully discharge the lead language planning responsibilities, Cornwall Council commits to:

1. Develop and implement a three year Cornish Language Plan in relation to the increased use of Cornish by Cornwall Council.
2. Pursue legislative change to put Cornish on the same footing as other UK Celtic languages.
3. Continue to work with central Government to fulfil UK responsibilities under the Charter and the Framework Convention in respect of the Cornish language.
4. Employ a Cornish Language Lead – a specialist officer to support and manage the Council's work with the Cornish language.
5. Provide leadership through the Portfolio Holder and relevant senior staff and to liaise with the community through the Cornish Language Forum.
6. To promote the Cornish Language Strategy and to produce an annual work programme.

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