Sport Wales Funding and the Welsh Language

The Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 establishes the principle that in the conduct of public business and the administration of justice in Wales, the Welsh and English languages should be treated on a basis of equality. In order to achieve this, public bodies – such as Sport Wales – are required to publish a Welsh Language Scheme that explains how they intend to meet this commitment. Sport Wales’ Welsh Language Scheme can be found here – www.sport.wales/key-publications.

Sport Wales are committed to ensuring we meet the duties placed upon us and recognise the role that sport can play in supporting the development of the Welsh language in our communities.

Applying through the medium of Welsh

All documentation regarding Sport Wales grants is available in both English and Welsh and all applicants are invited to submit applications in Welsh. These applications will not be treated any less favourably than English applications and if you submit an application in Welsh then the whole application process will be completed through your language of choice.

Your activities impact on the Welsh Language

Although not required by law, we encourage all organisations to whom we provide grant funding to not only operate within the spirit of the Welsh Language Act but also understand their target audiences and ensure that their offering reflects the bilingual nature of their community.

We invite clubs / organisations / associations within their application for funding to address how they will reflect the Welsh Language in there offering, asking for information covering:

1. Current number of Welsh only / bilingual sessions delivered
2. Current number of Welsh speakers available to deliver sessions

We then ask for further information on the impact their activity will have on the Welsh language by asking them to detail how the above numbers are likely to be impacted on should their application be successful.

Although not a condition of grant, this information will be taken into consideration during the application process.

Monitoring

All community projects who receive Sport Wales funding complete a ‘Project Completion Report’ 1 month after their project is completed and we also complete a scrutiny check of 5% of all community grant recipients each year.
Further information

If you have any further questions regarding the Sport Wales funding and its impact on the Welsh Language please contact grantsdepartmentemail@sport.wales