

Three guiding principles from the 2005 Act underpin Gaelic Language Plans:

1. to secure the status of Gaelic as an official language of Scotland commanding *equal respect* to English.
2. to support organisations in delivering *reasonable and proportionate* Gaelic services according to their individual circumstances.
3. for organisations to have a long term vision for Gaelic that will increase Gaelic provision over time through *incremental growth*.

BnG advise the Scottish Parliament to develop GLPs which

- facilitate the use of Gaelic to the **greatest extent** that is appropriate our circumstances.
- identify the most appropriate ways in which we can help **positively and proactively** raise the profile of the language and encourage and enable Gaelic users.
- **expand over time** the level of Gaelic provision we provide.
- make **substantive provision** to ensure our services are available **bilingually**.