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# Polish Education Committee

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## Our goals:

- To gain formal recognition for the Polish language within the Scottish education system
- To make Polish available in Scottish schools as part of the 1+2 Languages programme
- To campaign to set up National 4 & 5 and Higher exams in Polish
- To retain the Polish A-level qualifications in place until the SQA creates equivalent Scottish exams
- To implement an option for teachers of Polish to be registered in the Scottish education system.

## Our goals continued:

- To assist with Continuous Professional Development opportunities for teachers to gain additional qualifications in Polish as a Foreign Language
- To continue the dialogue with Polish Supplementary Schools and the wider community and articulate collective views on education issues
- To be a point of contact for the Polish and Scottish governments and institutions in both countries in matters concerning the teaching of Polish in schools
- To promote discussions, consultations and partnerships, and network in support of our goals.

## Achieved to date:

- Strong representation on the Cross Party Group on Poland at the Scottish Parliament
- Patronage from the Consulate General
- Support of the Polish Ambassador to the United Kingdom
- Presentation of PEC and its goals to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of National Education of the Republic of Poland
- Consultations with the Scottish Government (Education and Lifelong Learning), the SQA, Education Scotland and the GTCS, presenting the case for Scottish qualifications in the Polish language
- Successfully lobbied Nick Gibb, UK Minister of State for Schools, concerning retention of the Polish A Level.