



WELSH BACCALAUREATE SKILLS CHALLENGE CERTIFICATE

National/Foundation

Community Challenge

Neighbourhood Enhancement
Cardiff Council – Neighbourhood
Services



Only available for Cardiff Schools
Available for assessment from June 2018

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Community Challenge is to develop learners' skills, whilst encouraging learners to identify, develop and participate in opportunities that will benefit the community. During the Community Challenge learners will explicitly develop skills of **Planning and Organisation** and **Personal Effectiveness** and apply them in an appropriate manner.

BRIEF

Cardiff Council's Neighbourhood Services Team covers all aspects of Highways, Street Cleaning and Waste Enforcement. Our focus, therefore, is on the total street scene. We maintain roads and verges, empty bins and litter pick streets and parks, remove fly-tipping and fine people for littering and dog-fouling, we also look after street signs, street furniture and parking enforcement.

During this challenge you will focus on some of these activities, identifying the needs within your local area and working out the best way to address them with the aim to make a difference in your community. You must consider whether you need to develop and extend your skills, knowledge and understanding to be able to successfully meet the needs of the Challenge.

So if are you fed up of litter, fly tipping, dog fouling or tired looking areas and interested in improving your environment, this is your opportunity to help!

As an individual or a member of a team (3 –6 members) you must identify and develop a specific **area** in the local community. You will plan, organise and carry out **10 hours** actively helping to **improve the area**, ensuring it is appealing and safe for the community.



When planning and organising your active participation, you will need to consider how you will break up the 10 hours with a variety of activities and ensuring safe practice.

Possible **active engagement** structure could be:

- Identify the area (1 hour)
- Consider what needs to be done and plan how to take it forward (1 hour)
- Actively develop the area through a variety of activities (7 hours)
- Survey residents to see how they feel the area has improved (1 hour)

Example of activities:

- Surveying the area and identifying how things could be improved
- Clearing litter, weeding pavements, clean street signs and street furniture
- Cut grass, planting flowers, reporting highways defects and fly tipping

This Challenge will enable you to develop as effective and responsible members of your local community. In completing the Community Challenge you will be able to recognise the contributions you can make towards improving the community in which you live and the benefits this will have for yourself, for others and for the environment. You will demonstrate how you can create and manage an action plan when developing opportunities for the community and with the use of feedback can reflect and review your personal performance in planning and carrying out the activity.

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