

# Using the Young People's Communiqué



## Goal 11 Transforming human towns and settlements into safe, inclusive, resilient and sustainable places.

The Young People's Communiqué says:

Good quality buildings which provide housing and spaces to live, work and have fun will make life better for everyone. Things that make us laugh and enjoy ourselves, such as clowns, improve our health and well-being. Using spaces such as the entrance to closed metro stations to hold social and cultural activities will help to make the area safer and bring people together. Places with poor infrastructure, where people are not involved in decision making, or communities where there is violent conflict, have bigger challenges in achieving this. The way we design and use our buildings requires different approaches in different situations, and we need creative solutions to address them.

### We want:

- More social housing with access to basic, sustainable supplies such as clean water and sanitation, energy and waste management systems
- Strong, inclusive communities with effective policing to keep areas safe.
- Houses and buildings that will stand the test of time and be sustainable - socially, economically and environmentally.
- Improved infrastructure to provide healthcare, employment and education.
- An end to conflict

**Pupil offer:** *To achieve this we will welcome new people into our area, especially refugees fleeing conflict. We will get involved in our communities and volunteer to help make them friendlier, safer more sustainable places. We will work with others to find creative solutions to problems, such as what is needed for a successful composting scheme in the slums in Nairobi?*

On the next page are some suggested activities based on the pupil offer, with spaces for your own ideas.

Find out more about this goal at <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdg11>



Offer	How to make it happen?
<p><b>Welcome new people into our area, especially refugees fleeing conflict</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn how to say hello in another language</li> <li>• Set up a 'buddy' system for new pupils coming to your school</li> <li>• Have a welcome event for new people coming into your area</li> <li>• Organise a World Refugee Day event <a href="http://www.un.org/en/events/refugeeday/">http://www.un.org/en/events/refugeeday/</a></li> <li>•</li> </ul>
<p><b>Volunteer to make friendlier, safer, more sustainable communities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Find out more about some of the issues:  corruption <a href="https://dansmithsblog.files.wordpress.com/2013/01/sw9-60-1.jpg">https://dansmithsblog.files.wordpress.com/2013/01/sw9-60-1.jpg</a>;  mental health <a href="https://uk.pinterest.com/pin/119204721359361995/">https://uk.pinterest.com/pin/119204721359361995/</a>  <a href="https://newint.org/features/2012/05/01/mental-health-illness-facts-figures-percentages/">https://newint.org/features/2012/05/01/mental-health-illness-facts-figures-percentages/</a>;  land grabs <a href="https://newint.org/features/2013/05/01/land-grabs-the-facts-infographic/">https://newint.org/features/2013/05/01/land-grabs-the-facts-infographic/</a></li> <li>• Invite local politicians to discuss issues about safety and sustainability</li> <li>• Work with the local police to improve safety among young people</li> <li>• Provide entertainment for old people</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
<p><b>Work with others to find creative solutions</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use the Oasis materials [downloadable with this resource] to identify a community project</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
<p><b>Add your own here</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>