



# Make your voice heard!

Year 4 assessment

## Task description

It's time to apply all you have learned and get active in local government. This is your opportunity to demonstrate your knowledge, understanding, concluding, and decision-making and communication skills. This task challenges you to apply these skills and this knowledge in a way that gets you active in your local council or community.

You could communicate your work through one of the following or negotiate another method with your teacher:

- Letter or email
- Deputation
- Short film or video
- Visual presentation
- Speech
- Poster
- Report

For example:

- Write a formal letter or email to an elected member. In the letter, pick an initiative, issue or idea for your local community and present it to them, showing evidence of your research.
- Learn more about one of the upcoming agenda items at your local council. Research the topic and, based on your findings, form your opinion and write a deputation about the agenda item. You might even be able to submit this to be presented at the next council meeting.
- Create a short video or poster that teaches other young people about local government and how to get involved.
- Research a local initiative and write a report on its impact and potential to submit to council. Make sure to consider how the initiative is impacting the community and how it might be changed or improved.

All work must be accompanied by a written description demonstrating your research and intentions. This is where you can demonstrate how you have applied your knowledge, understanding, concluding and decision-making skills.

## Assessment rubric - Year 4

	Working above	Working at	Working towards
Knowledge and understanding	Demonstrates a high level of understanding of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the work of local government and the roles within it</li> <li>the abilities and/or limitations of the community in contributing to local government</li> <li>the local services available in the community (AC9HS4K08).</li> </ul>	Demonstrates an understanding of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the work of local government and the roles within it</li> <li>the abilities and/or limitations of the community in contributing to local government</li> <li>the local services available in the community (AC9HS4K08).</li> </ul>	Demonstrates a limited understanding of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the work of local government and the roles within it</li> <li>the abilities and/or limitations of the community in contributing to local government</li> <li>the local services available in the community (AC9HS4K08).</li> </ul>
Concluding and decision-making	Demonstrates having drawn thoughtfully considered conclusions on local issues based on evidence, research and sources from more than 3 reputable locations (AC9HS4S05).  Presents one or more proposed actions or responses to an identified issue or challenge. This response considers the possible effects of such actions (AC9HS4S06).	Demonstrates having drawn conclusions on local issues based on evidence and/or sources from 1-3 reputable locations (AC9HS4S05).  Presents a proposed action or response to an identified issue or challenge. This response shows some consideration of the possible effects of such actions (AC9HS4S06).	Struggles to demonstrate having drawn conclusions on local issues based on evidence and/or sources (AC9HS4S05).  There is little evidence of proposed action or response to an identified issue or challenge. This response does not show consideration of the possible effects of actions (AC9HS4S06).
Communicating	The work is constructed well, demonstrates a high level of creativity and is presented in an effective tone for the target audience.  Punctuation and grammar are of a high standard. Vocabulary is well chosen, and spelling is almost entirely correct.	The work is constructed appropriately, demonstrates creativity and is presented in a suitable tone for the target audience.  Punctuation and grammar are satisfactory. Appropriate vocabulary has generally been used and most words are spelt correctly.	The work is not constructed appropriately, demonstrates little creativity and is not presented in a suitable tone for the target audience.  Punctuation and grammar are not satisfactory. Appropriate vocabulary has not been used and many words are spelt incorrectly.
Feedback			