

## Local Audits

**Relevant**

**Aims:**

**Designed for pupils to:**

- explore their own community,
- explore what they value about their local community,
- look at what they would like to change about their local area and to take actions towards change.

**Key Stage/s:**

**All**

**Resources:**

will depend on how you decide to gather information.

**Activity outline:**

**1. gather data:** this could be in the form of taking photos of the local area, mapping the local area, creating a short film about the local area to record places that are important to them and things they would like to change. This can also include recording sounds.

**2. collate data:** this could be editing the film or creating posters of their maps and/or photos.

**3. discussion:** encouraging them to highlight key issues in their local area, this could be done as a P4C session or as group discussions (try giving small groups pieces of flip chart paper and poster pens – get them to write the issue in the middle of the paper and brainstorm their ideas – then feed back to whole group).

**4. action:** this could be writing to their local MP, writing to a local paper, presenting their ideas to the school council or in assemblies, presenting ideas to local community groups/initiatives.

**Useful resources packs / websites:**

Exploring values, [Cumbria Development Education Centre](#)