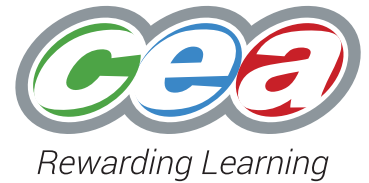


GCE



Revised GCE Geography Decision Making Mat

- This Decision Making Mat can be used to help students prepare for Assessment Unit A2 3 Decision Making in Geography.
- The resource may be printed A3 size and laminated.
- Students can use the mat to help guide them through the various sections when preparing for Unit A2 3 and working from past papers.
- Each of the colour coded sections on the mat corresponds to one of the main sections in the report that students will be asked to produce.
- The prompts are generic and do not apply to any specific past paper but may be useful in training the students to develop a methodical approach to dealing with the DME.
- The prompts/terms or suggestions included on the mat are by no means exhaustive but they are structured and give students, particularly in the early stages of preparation, a suggested line of approach which should help them to engage with the unique challenges of this paper.
- No specific time advice is stated on the Mat but students are advised to spend 30 minutes reading and annotating resources before starting to write their responses.
- As the students become more confident and skilled in their report writing, they can be weaned off sections of the mat with areas being obscured at the teacher's / students own discretion.

Project	(What is the Proposal?) Wind Farm/Power Station /Smelting Plant /Ring Road /Golf course/New Town etc	
Role	1 (In Introduction)	As I am here today to make a decision regarding the proposal to
	2 (At the beginning of Decision section)	In my role as I was tasked with making a decision about the proposal to I have looked at a large amount of evidence and have decided that this project should/should not go ahead
Headings & Sub Headings	Introduction	
	The Likely Impact	People & Economy The Environment
	Decision	
Graph		Title Label Axes Include Units Include Key Appropriate Precise

Command		Triggers	Resources
Introduction	Describe the project	What, Where, Who, When, Cost, Size, FF, FD, FP,	OS Map Local Maps Plan drawings Include: at least one compass direction At least one grid reference At least one distance where you have used scale from the map
Discuss the need for the project		<p>Local Need - Why would the town/village need this development? Think about Local economy in decline Local congestion Or</p> <p>Regional Need - Why would the province /Highlands /SE need this development? Think about Local economy in decline Local congestion Or</p> <p>National Need - Why would the country need this development? Think about Encourage foreign investment Meet national housing/energy needs Improve national fuel security Help meet national renewable targets Growing Global pop need food/ Or</p> <p>Global Need - Why would the world need this project ? Think about Reduce Carbon Emissions Address issue of climate change Global sea level rises Meet global demand for food</p>	Images Maps Figures from tables Quotations Written text

Command Describe	The Likely Impact	Triggers / Vocab	Resources
	On People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve people's physical well-being? • Improve people's mental well-being? • Increase leisure opportunities? • Improve Security of Employment? • Reduce road rage? • Improve work life balance? • Improve sustainability of area i.e. allow them work and live? • Allow people play/recreate in their community? • Improve community cohesion? • Make area more inclusive with all people's needs catered for? 	Texts and maps and images Quotes from stakeholders
	On The Economy	<p>Will it: Broaden economic base i.e. reduce over reliance on any one employment sector? Cause a multiplier effect? Create employment? (Think about during construction and for maintenance afterwards) Increase expenditure is this amount well spent? During a period of recession is it prudent to spend this money on this project? Increase employment and increase tax revenue for Government? Foreign company? Money/profits leave the country? Improved infrastructure can attract more investment? Be a vote of confidence in area - could attract foreign investment? Reduce our need for imported energy?</p>	Table of data Images Figures from text Quotes from stakeholders
	On The Environment	<p>Land Will the land be damaged? What about breeding grounds, feeding grounds, movement pathways for wildlife? Will there be noise or visual pollution during construction phase? Will this continue when the project is up and running? Toxic waste - will there be any? Waste management?</p> <p>Air Quality Will it be better /worse as a result of the project Greenhouse gas emissions higher/lower? Impact on Climate Change?</p> <p>Water Will water quality be better? (Sedimentation /Pollution?) Will Flooding be increased (impermeable surfaces) Will ground water stores be impacted upon?</p>	Artists impressions Quotes from stakeholders Maps

Decision	In my role as I was tasked with making a decision about the proposal toI have looked at a large amount of evidence and have decided that this project should/should not go ahead	
	<p>If you have decided to Agree with the proposal Acknowledge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disadvantage for people and counter it strongly with evidence from resources • Disadvantage for Economy and counter it strongly with evidence from resources • Disadvantage for Environment and counter it strongly with evidence from resources 	<p>If you have decided to Disagree with the proposal Acknowledge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advantage for People and counter it strongly with evidence from resources • Advantage for Economy and counter it strongly with evidence from resources • Advantage for Environment and counter it strongly with evidence from resources
	<p>Use a minimum of 2 quotes that support your decision and shorten/paraphrase them. Use a quote you dismiss and give reasons for disagreeing with it. Finish strongly giving all the reasons for allowing /not permitting the project to go ahead.</p>	

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