

Year 8 - Titanic Quarter decision-making exercise

Background.

The 'Laganside Development plan' is an attempt to improve the inner city of Belfast by building on unused land along the River Lagan.

There have been many developments completed already however the final part of the plan is to develop the **Titanic Quarter** in the old Docks.

It is hoped that it will provide new jobs, facilities and opportunities in the city, but there are also people who are worried about the effects...your job is to design the new development and persuade everyone that yours are the best ideas.

Role

*You are the **Lord Mayor of Belfast** who will make the final decision about what will be built in the Titanic Quarter. Your decision must be in the best interests of the majority of people. You are going to write a report explaining your decision.*

Markscheme/ Guidelines

Report presentation. [12]

The report should be neatly word-processed. [2]

The report should have a contents page. [2]

You should write in the role of Lord Mayor [2]

It should be handed in on time. [6]

Introduction. [16]

Explain what the aim or purpose of the Laganside Development Plan is [6]

Describe the parts of the Laganside Development Plan that have been completed so far and what buildings are in each area. [6]

Include some photographs of these areas. Label them [4]

Background to Titanic Quarter. [20]

Describe where Titanic Quarter is in Belfast. [4]

Include a map of Belfast from the Internet and label the Titanic Quarter. [4]

Using your notes from the fieldtrip describe in detail what was in this area in the past [6]

Using your notes and observations from the fieldtrip, what buildings and spaces there at the moment? [6]

Recommendations. [28]

Describe in detail your suggestions for the redevelopment of the Titanic Quarter. [10]

Include a map in this section to show what you will build. Make sure it has a key and a title. [10]

Give reasons why these suggestions are the best choices for the area. [8]

Winners and losers. [24]

Make a mind-map to show **groups of people** who will be *winners* in the project. Give details of how they will benefit. [8]

Make a mind-map to show **groups of people** who will be *losers* in the project. Give details of how they will lose out. [8]

For one group who will be *against* your decision, think of what you could say to convince them of the benefits of your plan. [8]




Total marks

[100]

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Your name _____

Please **EVALUATE** your own work – what areas are you happy with and what areas do you feel that you could improve on in future exercises.

<p>I'm happy with</p> 	
<p>I really like</p> 	
<p>I think I could improve on</p> 	

Your marks.

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TOTAL		100

Teacher's comments

Targets for next time