

Citizenship ~

cities, connections, commonality & change

Cities are places where global interconnections are made; where cultures and languages coexist; where change happens to people, and people make change happen.

Over 50% of the world's population now live in urban areas.
City experiences connect us to others around the world.

In common with cities all over the world, Birmingham and Cardiff are responding to local needs in the context of global challenges relating to issues such as sustainability, community cohesion, economic wellbeing and climate change.

Could an exploration of such commonality improve citizenship / *ESDGC learning?

Could this offer a focus to support learner generated questioning ... and enquiry?



Cape Town

Cities invest in their image as part of strategies to stimulate development ... to engage their people and attract others to visit and invest.
City websites are a rich stimulus source.

Cardiff



Birmingham

Cities



What are the things that make a city?

What makes a city distinctive?



What visions for the future?
What 'official' image projected?

What global connections?

People



An aspect of people's identity?
How do people engage with the process of change?



How do people see the future?
What are the challenges?

Your place ... part of your identity?

What should it stand for in the world?

& Change



Process of change?
E.g :- Case studies of different change experiences

Who is advocating change?
E.g :- the city, government, UN, research, NGOs, Community Organisations



What changes would you work for?

... build a sense of citizenship in its global context.

... enable the skills to engage with issues .. now and in the future.

FIVE NATIONS NETWORK



Tide~ global learning & Cyfanfyd ESDGC Schools
brought practitioners from Birmingham and Cardiff together to share ideas and experiences.

* ESDGC learning ~ Wales ~ education for sustainable development and global citizenship