

Activity – The swimming pool - Role play

Role - representative of a youth association

You are the representative of a youth association of your neighbourhood. Your association has 20 individual active youngsters and around other 30 who join time to time according to the initiatives. The association has been founded 2 years ago. You initiated some small activities but still lack major visibility.

After a long participatory process in which all voices of the members of your organisation have been taken into account, you would like to propose the construction of a swimming pool in the neighbourhood as a way for youngsters to practice sport and reduce youngsters' use of drug consumption and unemployment in the community.

You addressed the local councillor with the portfolio on the urban agenda and a short meeting of 7 minutes has been arranged by the councillor's secretariat. You would like to take this opportunity to convince him of the need of the swimming pool.

Role - local councillor

You are a local councillor with the portfolio on the urban agenda. You are 40, quite young. Your portfolio is quite small and your main priority (also in terms of funding, given the limited resources) is to restructure some social houses.

Your secretariat has scheduled a meeting with the representative of a youth association. The secretariat did not manage to provide you with much information on who your interlocutor is and what the association stands for. You know that the association is quite new and it is a youth association in the neighbourhood. You got to know that the objective of the meeting is to consider to build a swimming pool in the neighbourhood.

You also recently met with a group of representatives of the social houses who are reminding you of the urgency of restoring the buildings. In the same area in which the swimming pool is proposed, you thought of extending the facilities of the school. Pupils' parents think that the facility is no longer able to host all pupils.

You have a tight schedule of around 7 minutes but you are open to hear the proposal in principle.