

Catholic Social Teaching in Economics

	KS5
The Common Good <i>Whatever is needed for each person to flourish</i>	Government policy on expenditure – education, tax, Minimum wage policy.
Human Dignity <i>All created in the image and likeness of God</i>	Implementing government policy on tax and benefits. Immigration control.
Solidarity <i>Not just doing things for other people but acting with them to build a more just world together</i>	Labour markets and trade unions. Globalisation and foreign aid.
Participation <i>People have a right and duty to take part in shaping a more just and human society</i>	Labour market and trade unions. Influences on government policy.
Subsidiarity <i>As far as possible, decisions should not be taken at the highest levels but by the people who are most affected</i>	Development strategies for less developed countries – small scale enterprise and funding.
Stewardship of Creation <i>We are called to care for creation as stewards, not just as consumers</i>	Economic growth – sustainable development. Globalisation.
Rights and responsibilities <i>When one person has a right, others have a responsibility to uphold that right</i>	Legislation concerning regulation – e.g. water companies and pollution.
Option for the poor <i>To choose to consider the needs of the poorest and most vulnerable people first</i>	Income distribution and welfare. Absolute and relative poverty.