






Gold Star Communities

are working towards realizing the **Millennium Development Goals** in Wales and Africa, through

the Gold Star Framework

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|  <p>Partnership 4 Development</p> <p><i>NB. Communities must achieve this star first, before moving on to focus on specific areas (below)!</i></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Established geographic link with coordination groups both ends</u>, involving a <u>broad cross-section of the community</u>, • Active in <u>exchanges of people, resources and ideas</u>. • Active <u>understanding of development issues</u> and needs for <u>both communities</u> based upon joint listening and learning, and <u>action plans</u> for supporting each other's development • Programme of <u>local education and public awareness</u> raising around the <u>Millennium Development Goals</u> and <u>community action</u>, drawn from the learning of the link. • One or more <u>specific projects</u> relating to the Gold Stars for fair trade, climate change, children's welfare or social inclusion, demonstrating <u>impact on 1 or more MDGs</u>. • Link is <u>recognized</u> by appropriate authorities in Wales and Africa, and <u>coordinates</u> activities with other 'actors' (through local UN office or others). |
|  <p>Fair Trade</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wales community working towards 'fairtrade' status with the Fairtrade Foundation / Wales Fairtrade Forum. • Applied learning and action on issues of trade justice in both communities. • Building capacity for local livelihoods through developing job / resource opportunities, knowledge sharing, a trading relationship or through advocacy and campaigning. |
|  <p>Climate Change</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action on 'contraction' – Wales community works towards reducing their 'carbon footprint' through applying learning on climate and environment issues from the link. • Action on 'convergence' – link works towards enabling African community to meet development needs through sustainable approaches. • Link identifies their own meaningful mechanism for carbon offsetting |
|  <p>Children's Welfare</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 50% of the schools within both defined communities are developing long-term, sustainable and equitable school links. • Link develops understanding of key issues affecting children's welfare, rights and learning / development opportunities in both communities and develops action plans / projects to tackle specific issues. • Communities develop mechanisms for involving children at both ends in the development of the link and its activities. |
|  <p>Social Cohesion</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link develops understanding of key issues affecting social cohesion and inclusion in both communities, around racial, inter-faith and inter-class relations, ability, age and / or sexuality; and develop action plans / projects to tackle identified challenges. • Link supports improvements in access to decision making and to social services (such as health care or education) for marginalized citizens. • Communities develop mechanisms for involving marginalized groups at both ends in the development of the link and its activities |

These will contribute towards achieving the **Millennium Development Goals**:



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1. Hunger and Poverty Reduction; 2. Education; 3 Gender Equality; 4. Child Mortality; 5. Maternal Health; 6 Combating Disease; 7. Environmental Sustainability; 8. Building a Partnership for Development.



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