

A Public Meeting will be held
in
Hopehurst Primary School
on
Monday 18th March
at
7.00p.m.

Subject for discussion-

Use of grant funding for community improvement

Panel:

- Councillor James Watson (Chair)
- Jane Henderson (member of school pupil council)
- Bill Wilson (resident of Hopewell)
- Alison Forbes (resident of Hillview)
- Rev Andrew Thom (local clergyman)

Look carefully at the list of speakers.

Does the information give a clue as to the likely opinions held by each one?

Whose opinions are more difficult to predict? Why?

Discuss the role of the chairperson. Why do you think the councillor has been chosen?

FACT	OPINION	EVIDENCE	PERSUASION
COMPROMISE	COMMON GOOD	CLIMATE CHANGE	

Discuss the importance of the words in the box to the debate process in Hopehurst. Will they be important at the meeting?

YOUR OWN DEBATE

In groups of five, you will form the panel for the meeting. Decide who will take the part of which speaker and who will be the chairperson.

Speakers

Individually, make a list of main points you will make at the meeting. Remember, your object is to persuade people to support your point of view. The rest of the class will be the audience who will take a vote at the end of your debate.