

Lesson 2 Objectives

- To understand the role of tax and social security policy, in deciding how to raise revenue.
- To understand the States Assembly members and Government Officers roles in deciding what services and support tax and social security is used to provide.
- To experience some considerations Politicians and Government Officers must make when deciding what services islanders most need, and how they should be funded.

Homework

Knowledge to deliver	Resources
1. Complete the other scenario exercise/s on the task sheet. You can discuss with friends or family if you wish. Remember to record your rationale for your decision/s	Slide Task sheet

Please ensure all students, and you complete the 2-minute online feedback form if possible before leaving the classroom.

Topic & Item no	Knowledge to deliver	Resources	Time
2. Recap lesson 1 homework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → What is tax, types of tax, feedback from students on homework. 	Slide & teacher notes	5 mins
3. “Tax Policy, what it is and why you should care”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → What Tax Policy is. → How a Tax Policy Officer helps plan how to raise the revenue government needs to pay for the services the States Assembly want us to provide. → Monitoring the revenue raised from taxes, and planning how to/whether to make up the gap if it occurs → How policy affects islanders → How Ministers and Officers work → The importance of cost to collect / administrate → How islanders can contribute 	Video 4	7 mins (played twice)
4. Activity	<p>Difficult funding decisions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → In groups of 4, choose one of the 4 scenarios starting on Page 3 of the ‘Difficult Funding Decisions Task Sheet’. 	Word exercise sheet	15 ins
1. Reflection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) How did it feel making those decisions? b) What did you consider when you were you deciding? c) Do you think your family / friends would have made the same choice? 	Slide	5 mins
5. What is Social Security Policy and how does it work?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → What Social Security Policy is → How Social Security Policy Officers help plan what welfare should be provided, how to raise the revenue to pay for it. → Informs discussions by States Assembly and Ministers about what support they want us to provide for islanders. → Consider cost to collect/pay, eligibility and payment amounts. → Monitoring the revenue raised and sustainability of the Fund. → Planning how to / whether to make up any gap. → How islanders can contribute 	Video	8 mins (played twice)

6. Activity	Difficult decisions: Managing the social security fund In groups of 3- 4 – Complete the task on Page 1 of the Task sheet ‘Sustainable Social Security Fund’	Word exercise sheet	15 ins
1. Reflection	16 How did it feel making those decisions? 17 What did you consider when you were deciding? Do you think your friends or family would have made the same choice?	Slide	5 mins