



## Key CST Information

Primary

Subsidiarity involves making sure that decisions are made at the most appropriate level, so all those affected can contribute and have a voice.

Everyone has important ideas and knows what is best for their families and communities. They need to have a say and the chance to influence outcomes.

## Subsidiarity

Sid the Sheep  
(a big fan of subsidiarity)

'Development programmes, if they are to be adapted to individual situations, need to be flexible; and the people who benefit from them ought to be directly involved in their planning and implementation.' *Pope Benedict XVI, Caritas in Veritate, #47,*

"Jethro said to Moses: Let them bring every important case to you, but decide every minor case themselves" *Exodus 18:22*

'...together we want to give voice to all those who suffer, to all those who have no voice and are not heard.' *Pope Francis, September 20, 2016*



'It is the responsibility of the State to safeguard and promote the common good of society. Based on the principles of subsidiarity and solidarity...it plays a fundamental role, one which cannot be delegated, in working for the integral development of all.' *Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel) #240, 2013*

## CAFOD and Subsidiarity

CAFOD believes that local individuals, communities, and local organisations are best placed to influence changes to global, national and local policies and practices so that they benefit all. We follow Jesus' example of ensuring that the insights and perspectives of quieter voices are heard, so that a better world is achieved together.



### Key statement

We are called to empower communities, to let everyone have a say