

editor's note

We care

After the protests over the destruction of Queen's Pier, more young people concerned about social issues have been taking to the streets. The demonstrations outside the Central Government Liaison Office, protests against the demolition of Tsoi Yuen village and the kowtow-every-26-step trek around five districts have captured media attention. Because most of the protesters were born in or after the 1980s, the term "post-80s" was coined to refer to them.



Many of our interviewees dislike the label, saying their protests are not part of a generational struggle. Their actions are often described by the media as being "too radical". But, while many may have forgotten to ask what makes them take to the streets, others have started to listen. Not everyone listens wholeheartedly. Secretary for Transport and Housing Eva Cheng only spent three hours on Facebook "talking" to the so-called post-80s generation early one Saturday morning. Clearly, it was merely political gesturing. Little wonder they resort to demonstrations to be heard.

Financial Secretary John Tsang Chun-wah has said in his blog that this generation only cares about what facilities they have in their clubhouses and how big their swimming pools are. But this isn't the truth. We talked to many young people facing difficulties in paying for a place they can call home because of the surging price of real estate and problematic housing policy.

No matter what generation we belong to, we still concern ourselves with what is happening in society. We observe. We talk. We listen. We write. *Varsity* is not just a magazine where we practise our journalistic skills, but also a platform to shed light on social matters that may have been overlooked.

Varsity will continue to uphold this spirit.

Happy reading and be concerned about our society!

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