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Globally

Founded in 1993

Over 100 countries

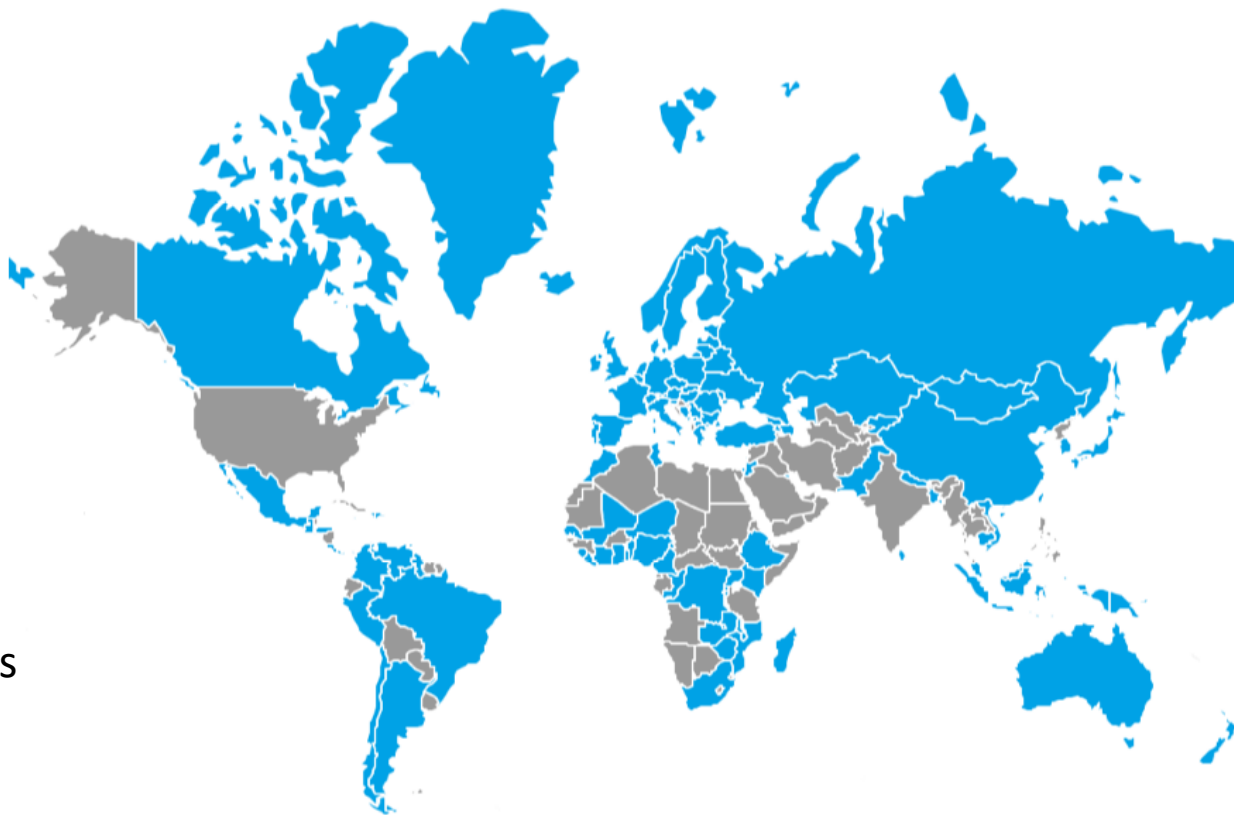
Specialist anti-corruption
NGO

UK priorities

Combatting corruption in
the UK

Reducing the UK's role in
fuelling corruption overseas

Promoting higher global
standards to tackle
corruption



CORRUPTION RISKS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT PLANNING

Transparency International UK



TODAY

1. Context
2. Research
3. 10 recommendations for change



CONTEXT



HEYGATE ESTATE

HOMES DESTROYED: **1,034**

HOMES BUILT: **2,704**

AT SOCIAL RENT: **82**

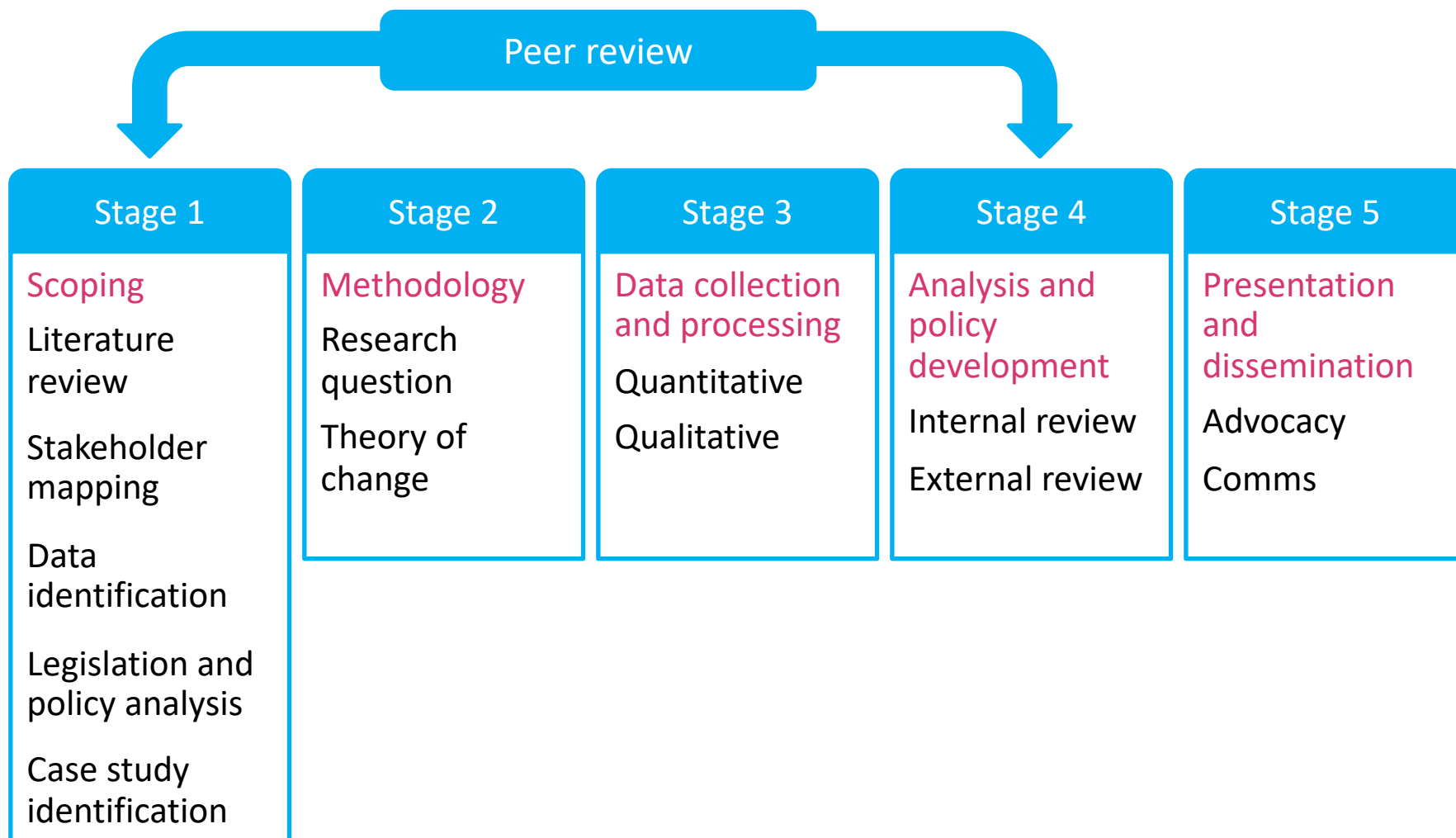
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BROUGHT TO YOU BY  Southwark Council





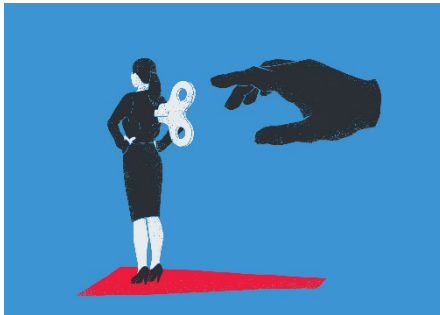
RESEARCH: PROJECT OVERVIEW



RESEARCH: AREAS OF RISK



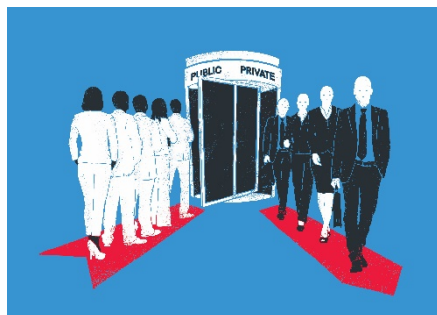
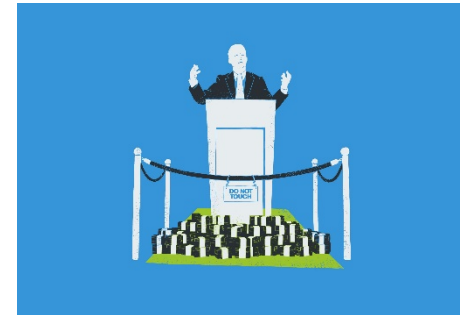
Councillors engaging
external
stakeholders



Managing private
interests



Regulating
councillors' conduct



EXAMPLES



Tory Westminster councillor resigns after hospitality inquiry

Robert Davis, who received hospitality or gifts 893 times in six years, denies wrongdoing



▲ Robert Davis was deputy leader of Westminster city council and chair of its planning committee. Photograph: Eamonn McCabe/The Guardian

A leading Conservative councillor criticised for receiving hospitality or gifts : years, frequently from property developers seeking

SFO opens investigation into Pinnacle Angelgate, North Point Pall Mall and New Chinatown

17 January, 2019 | [News Releases](#)

The SFO has opened an investigation into a suspected fraud concerning three property developments:

1. **Angelgate**, Dantzic Street, Manchester – the development company being Pinnacle (Angelgate) Ltd;
2. **North Point Pall Mall**, 70-90 Pall Mall, Liverpool – the development company being North Point (Pall Mall) Ltd; and
3. **New Chinatown**, Great George Street, Liverpool – the development company being China Town Development Company Ltd.

In conjunction with Merseyside Police, as part of a joint investigation with North-West Regional Organised Crime Unit, search warrants were executed at a number of addresses across the UK today.

The SFO cannot comment any further at this stage, and any significant updates will be posted on the SFO website.

The SFO encourages members of the public who have invested in any of the three property developments named above to complete a questionnaire that can be found [here](#).

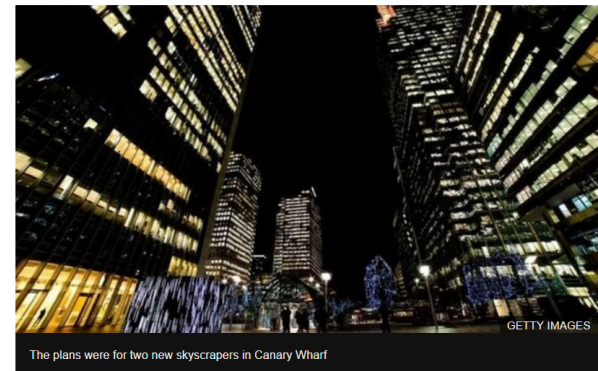
Members of the public who wish to report information concerning other property development schemes should contact [Action Fraud](#).

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Tower Hamlets Council linked to alleged £2m corruption scandal

10 December 2017

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Secret recordings have emerged apparently connecting a Labour council to an alleged £2m corruption scandal.



RESEARCH: FINDINGS

Sample

- 50 local authorities
- Geographical spread
- Variety of types of authority e.g. unitary, district etc.
- Political composition

Score

- Good practice standards
- 0-100 scores
- What's in writing
- Opportunity to comment

Result

- 84 per cent score D-F

A (80-100)	
B (60-79)	
C (50-59)	City of Bristol, Chamwood, Darlington, Herefordshire, Manchester, Stratford-on-Avon, Tower Hamlets, West Berkshire
D (40-49)	Basingstoke and Deane, Camden, Chelmsford, Folkestone & Hythe, Haringey, Kensington and Chelsea, Newcastle upon Tyne, Peterborough, Ryedale, Sheffield, South Lakeland, Southwark, Stockport, Westminster, York
E (20-39)	Aylesbury Vale, ¹ Birmingham, Broadland, Cheshire West and Chester, Cotswold, Derby, Derbyshire Dales, Erewash, Fenland, Hackney, Isle of Wight, Lambeth, Leeds, Liverpool, Maidstone, Maldon, New Forest, Northampton, Portsmouth, Reading, Sandwell, South Norfolk, Sutton, Thanet, Wandsworth, Wiltshire
F (0-19)	Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole

10 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGE



1. Minute and **publish meetings** with developers and their agents
2. Prohibit **improper gifts** and **hospitality**
3. Increase **transparency** over gifts and hospitality
4. Stronger **leadership** from the lobbying industry
5. Better manage **councillors' financial interests**
6. Prohibit all **councillors** from being **planning lobbyists**
7. Manage the **revolving door**
8. Provide **clear guidance** and boundaries for councillors
9. Provide a **meaningful deterrent** against misconduct
10. Increase **transparency** over **investigations** and **enforcement** action