

Public Sector Transparency Board - Terms of Reference

The Transparency Board will advise the Minister for the Cabinet Office and, through him, the Prime Minister and the Government on transparency and open data, including:

- supporting and challenging Departments and Non Departmental Public Bodies in their implementation of the Government's transparency and open data agenda
- extending the transparency and open data agenda to local government and to the rest of the public services, including public transport
- establishing clear principles for transparency and setting open standards, policies and licences for data release across the public services
- developing the legal Right to Data (in conjunction with the Ministry of Justice)
- driving the publication of further public datasets on the basis of public demand and of economic and social benefit
- defining 'public task' for trading activities
- overseeing the work to further develop and consolidate data.gov.uk as the single online point of access for all UK public service datasets
- promoting the development and application of open, linked data standards for public data generally, including the development of appropriate skills and capabilities within the public services.

In doing so the Board will:

- Engage with developers, open data experts and business to ensure that they have a strong voice in how the Transparency agenda is implemented.
- Engage with the leading experts internationally working on public data and standards, and to promote international liaison and global standards setting.
- Work as necessary with others in Government with interests in data including the National Statistician, the Government CIO, the Location Council and the Advisory Panel on Public Sector Information.