

Transparency – Opening Up Government

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Our ambition

- ***“It is our ambition to be one of the most transparent governments in the world.”***
Prime Minister David Cameron, November 2010
- ***“Greater transparency across government is at the heart of our shared commitment to enable the public to hold politicians and public bodies to account; to reduce the deficit and deliver better value for money in public spending; and to realise significant economic benefits by enabling businesses and non-profit organisations to build innovative applications and websites using public data.”***
Prime Minister David Cameron, May 2010
- ***“...we will extend transparency to every area of public life.”***

Coalition Programme for Government, May 2010

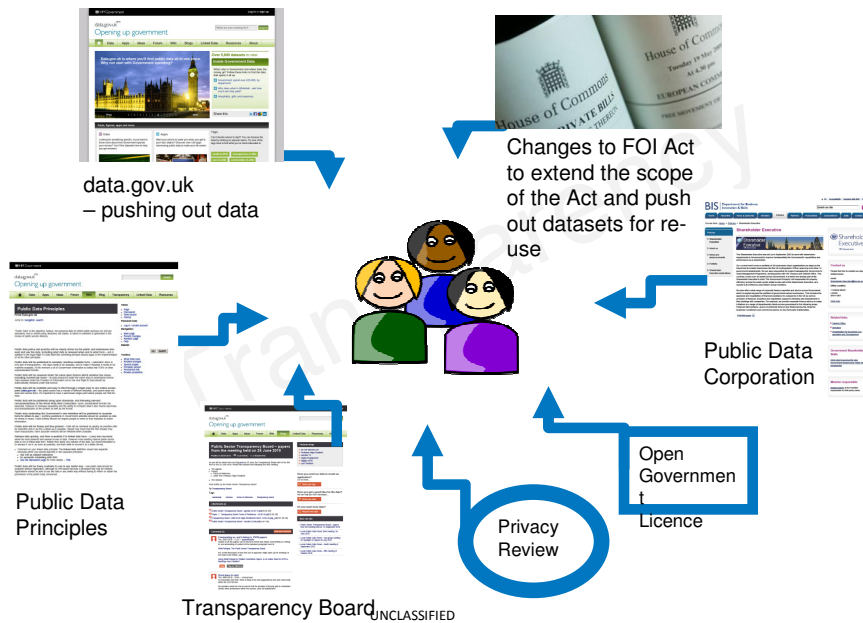


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Why Transparency?

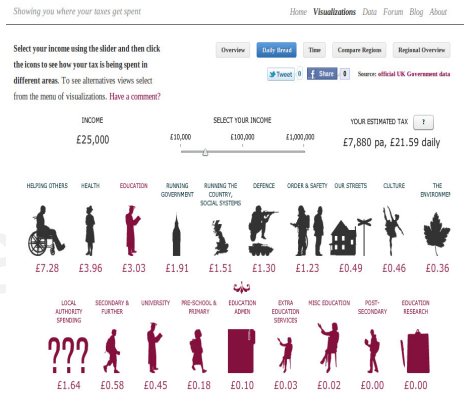


What have we achieved so far?



Using the data - Where does my money go?

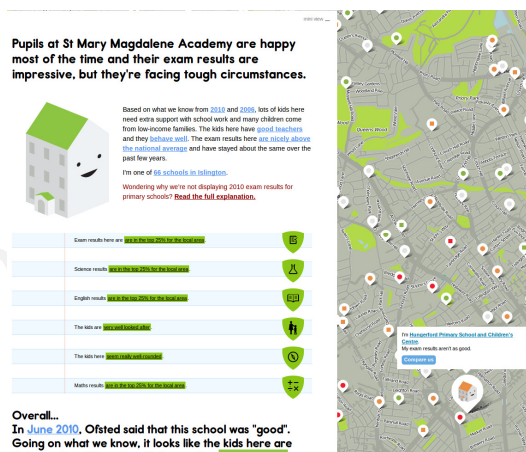
- Developed by the Open Knowledge Foundation to show people how their taxes are spent through interesting visuals and easy to use apps.
- Example shows the breakdown of public spending for a taxpayer on an income of £25,000.
- Other apps illustrate trends in spending over time.
- Based on public sector expenditure data.



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Using the data - Schoolscope

- School choices site that lets parents quickly and easily find and compare English schools in their area based on a number of easy-to-understand icons and comparisons.
- A mash-up of Ofsted reports and Department for Education school attainment league tables analysed with their proprietary “recommendation” scale, displayed on a map service.



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Protecting Privacy

- Code of Practice under section 45 of FOIA
- Working with ICO on education and information for PAs and public
- Administrative guidance for central government which sets standards – using expertise from across PAs
- Privacy Impact Assessment
- Privacy Review – Dr Kieron O'Hara

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