

# Defining and Reporting HB&P's Casework Impacts



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BUILDINGS  
& PLACES



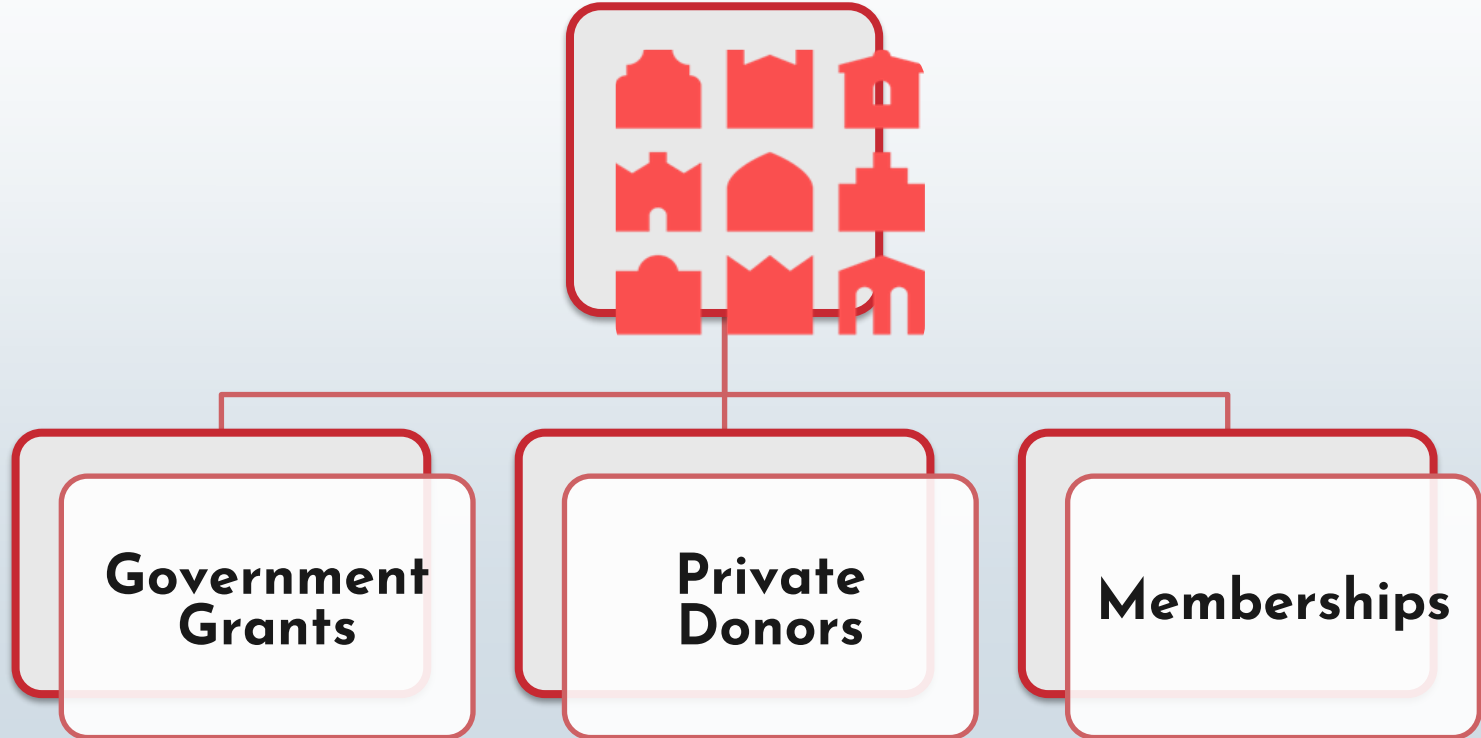
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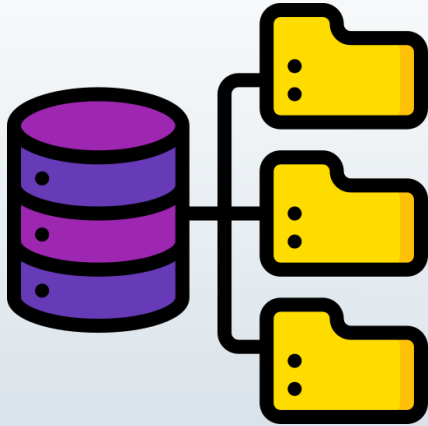


# An impact reporting system is essential for amenity groups, like HB&P

## Historic Buildings and Places



# A robust database provides many advantages for nonprofit organisations



**Produces Clear and  
Reliable Records**

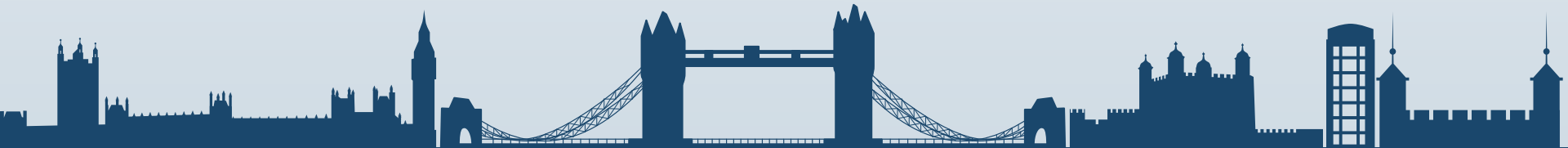


**Ability to Produce  
Measurable Outcomes**



**Informs Future  
Decision-Making and  
Resource Allocation**

# HB&P requires data collection and management tools to effectively communicate their impacts



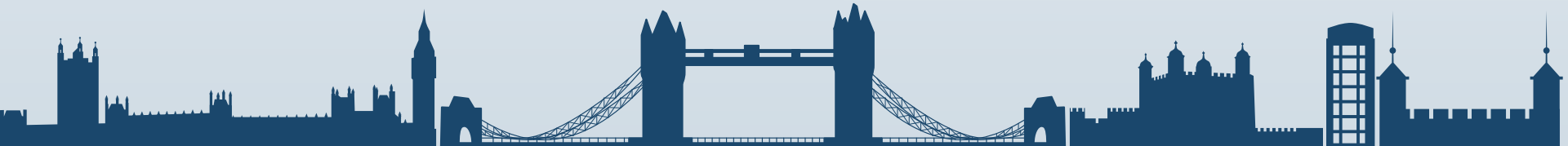
**A previous research team worked with HB&P to help  
define their impacts**



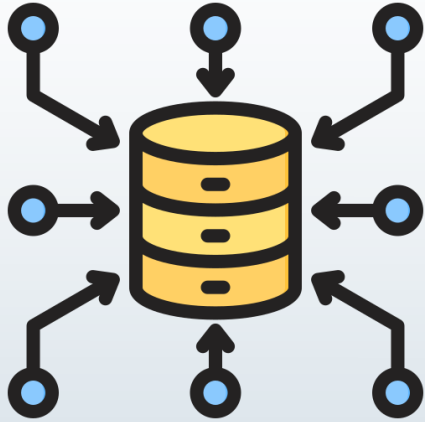
**Digitised Physical  
Records into Excel**



**Interviews with  
Trustee Members**



**A previous research team made recommendations to enhance HB&P's ability to reflect impacts.**



**Broadening Data  
Collection in  
Available Resources**



**Evaluating HB&P's  
Community Impacts**



**Using Visual Tools to  
Analyse and Share  
Impacts**

# Our Mission

To develop sustainable methods for Historic Buildings and Places to collect the information necessary to produce impact assessments that highlight their contributions



*Revitalization project consulted by HB&P for the Debenhams Store, Taunton (HB&P, 2024)*



# Our Objectives



Develop a system for  
analysing trends  
within the change of  
use casework



Conduct a qualitative  
analysis of the impact  
of HB&P's casework



Recommend feasible  
methods for HB&P  
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# Managing and Interpreting Change of Use Data

Extracting  
Change of  
Use Casework



Adding New  
Data Fields



Analysing New  
Data Fields





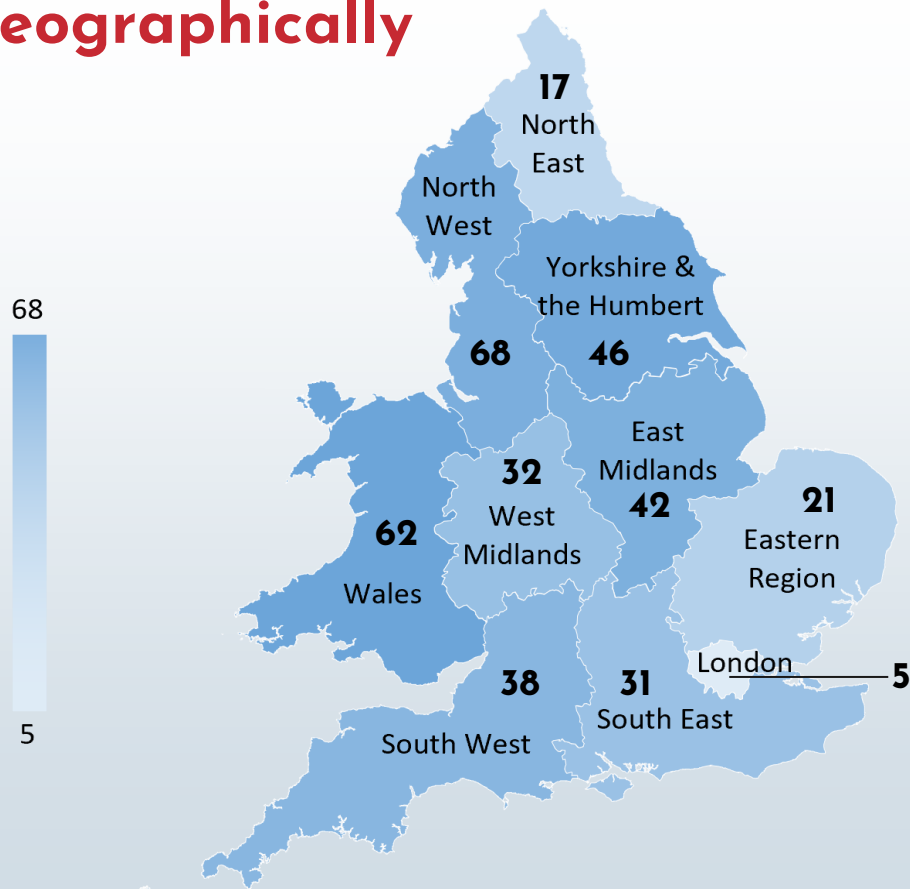
# Applying Analysis Tools to HB&P Casework Archive



- 1) General overview of HB&P's consultation across England and Wales**
- 2) Specific observations within England**
- 3) Specific observations within Wales**

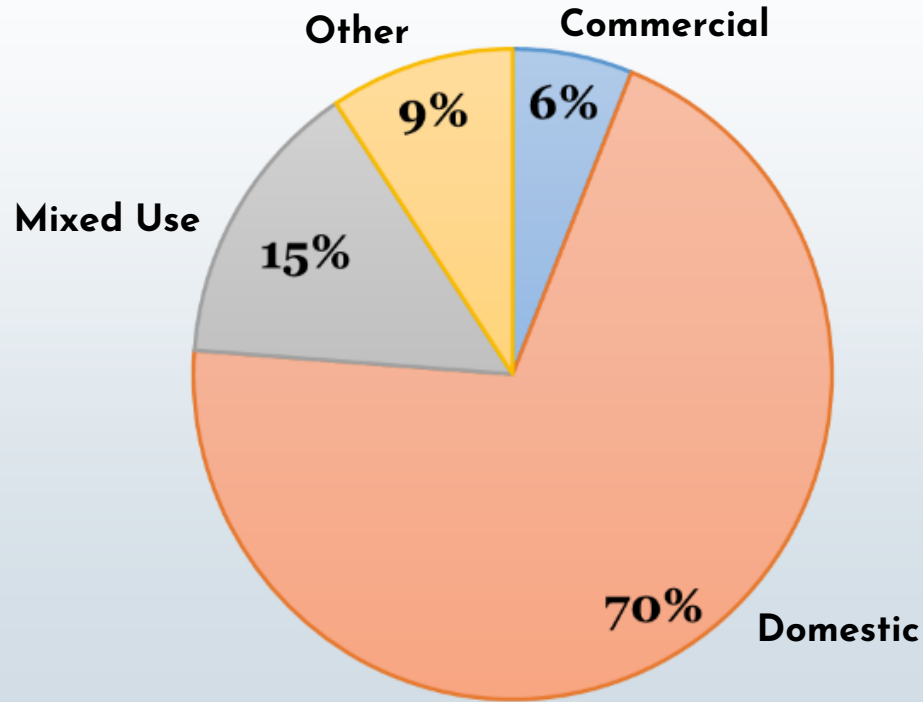


# HB&P balances their CoU consultations geographically



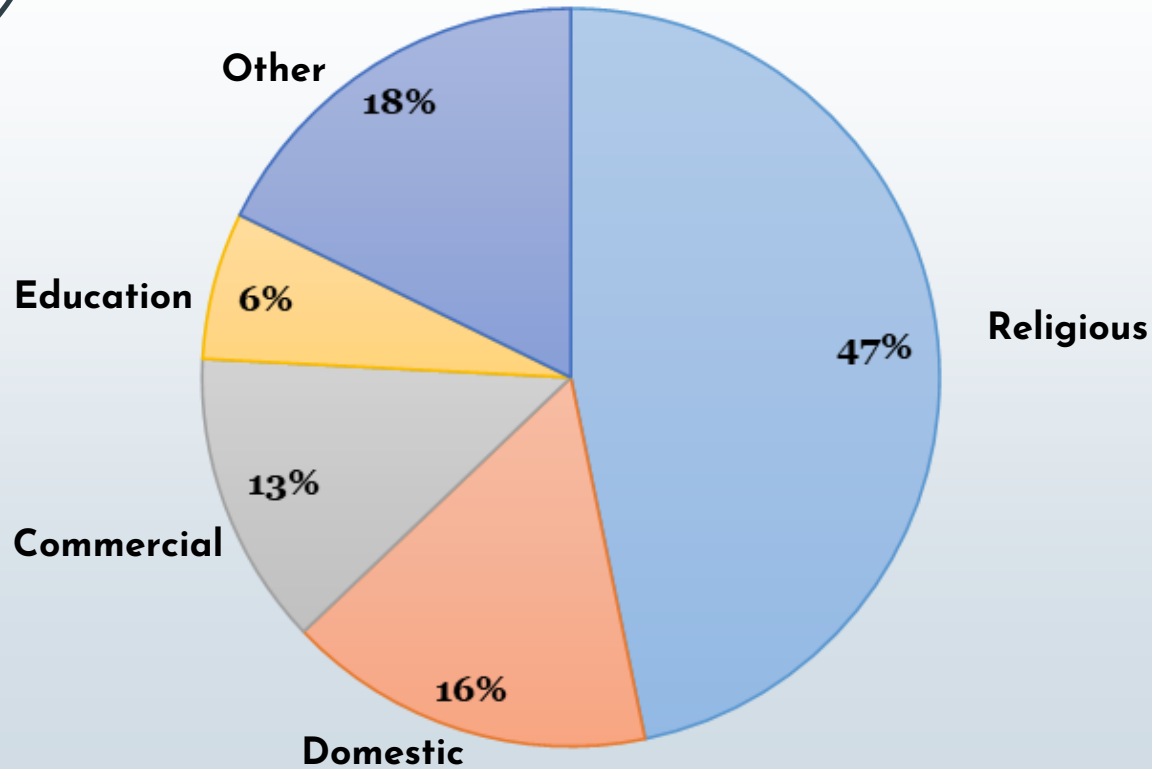


**A majority of HB&P's English Cases were proposals for buildings to become domestic.**



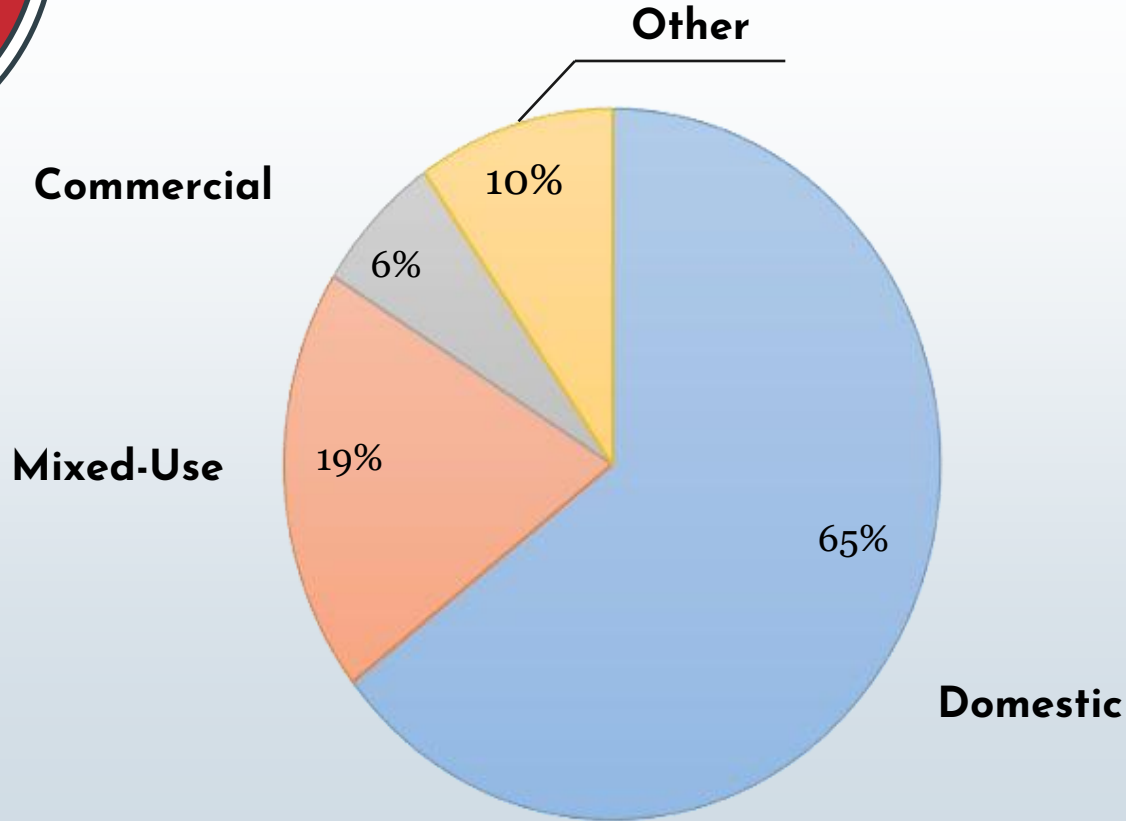


## A plurality of HB&P's Welsh Casework was conversions of religious buildings.





# A majority of HB&P's casework in Wales was conversions of buildings to become domestic



# Recommendations for Change of Use Data



*Continuing to use a Change of Use specific Excel database*



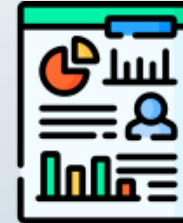
*Collecting and analysing additional Change of Use data fields*



*Using Excel automated data analytics*



*Utilising Power-User and County Converter for heatmapping*



*Creating an infographic of Change of Use consultations*

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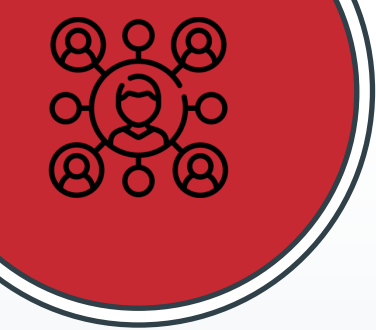
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# Evaluating the Impact of HB&P's Casework

Semi-Structured Virtual Interviews Across  
Five Different Districts in the UK

## Interview Targets

Local Planning Authority Council Officers

## What We Hoped to Learn

Role &  
Effectiveness of  
NAS

Community  
Valuation of  
Heritage

HB&P's Impact on  
Planning  
Decisions

Areas for HB&P  
to Improve



# The Role and Effectiveness of NAS

NAS reinforce LPA decisions



NAS align on feedback



NAS provide unique insights





# Community Valuation of Heritage

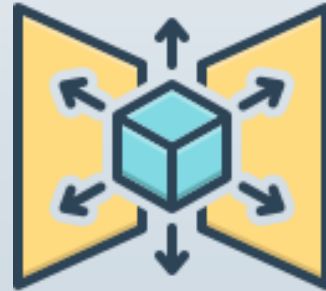
**Communities value heritage  
but stay passive**



**Need for stronger heritage  
education**



**Diverse community  
perspectives on heritage**



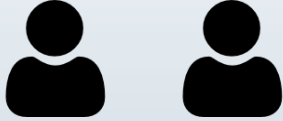


# HB&P's Impacts on Planning Decisions

LPA Officers linked HB&P to specific cases



Historic England overshadows NAS



HB&P's input influences decisions



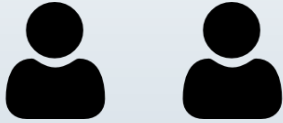


# Areas for HB&P's Improvement

**Unclear specialization**



**Limited public awareness**



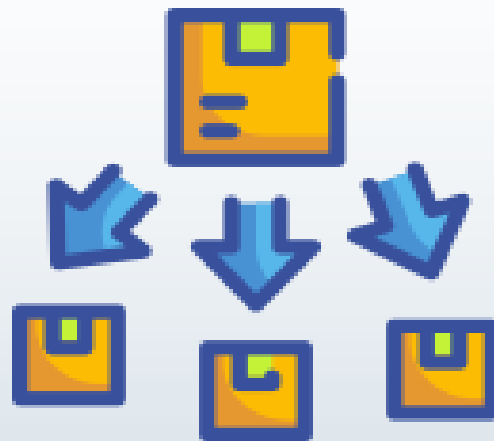
**Delayed or inconsistent responses**



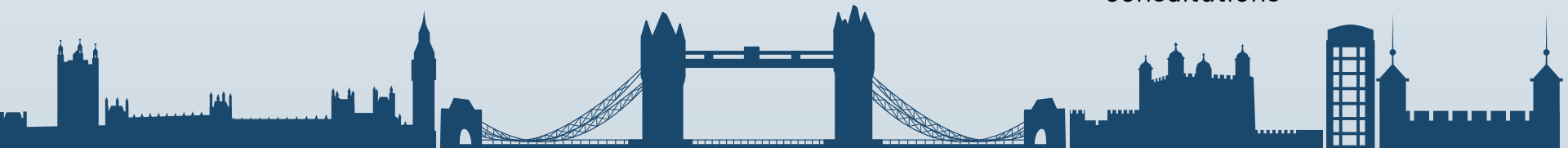
# Recommendations from our Qualitative Analysis



*Increasing HB&Ps' involvement in the Pre-Application Process*



*Collaborating with JCNAS members to provide a balanced distribution of consultations*



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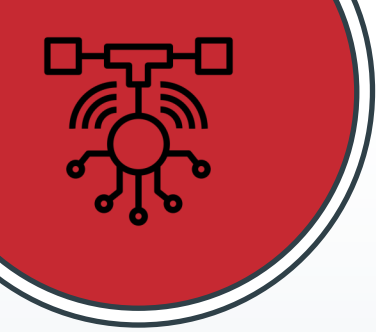


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# Conducting Impact Assessments Moving Forward



Developing Reference Guides  
Quantitative Casework Analysis



Analysis of Stakeholder Response Patterns



Recommending a Protocol to  
Collect Qualitative Insights

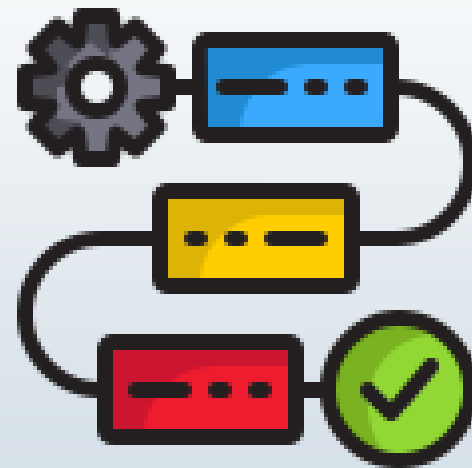


# Recommendations for Future Data Collection

*Distributing an online questionnaire to send out annually to get further feedback on the organisation*



*Automating data tracking and analysis using Microsoft compatible platforms*

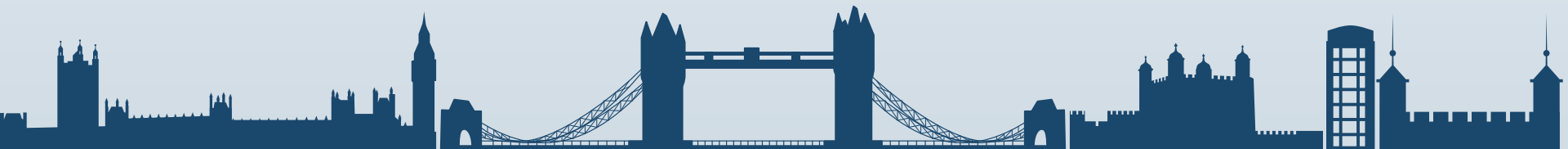


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# Questions

## Thank You



# References

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