**Project Title:**

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**Applicants:** (please add additional lines for any co-applicants as required)

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**Activity Type:**  [ ] Research [ ] Knowledge Exchange [ ] Other (*please specify*)

**1a. Project Summary - Please include:**i) Brief overview
ii) Aims and objectives
iii) Proposed outcomes/outputs

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**1b. *(for research and knowledge exchange projects only)* Please give details of:**
i) Policy area(s) the proposal relates to
ii) Geographical scope (local/regional/national/international)
iii) Policymaking partners (directly involved) and stakeholder groups/research users

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**2. Ongoing activity (since 1 August 2019):**

* Please give details of any activity currently underway or completed, and the expected or actual expenditure for the period 1 August 2019 to 31 March 2020.
* Please also indicate the **current funding source** for these activities.

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**3. New activity (for completion by 31 March 2020):**

* Please give details of any new/additional activities that are ready to start immediately, and estimated costs to 31 March 2020.
* Please also include details of any matched funding secured or applied for.

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**4. Prospective activity (for the period 1 April 2020 – 31 March 2021):**

* It is anticipated that further funding for this purpose will be available in 2020-21.
* Please give details of any pipeline activities in development, including proposed costs and timeframe for implementation.

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**Notes for Applicants:**

Funding is available from Research England’s Strategic Priorities Fund (SPF) for research activity that supports evidence-based policy making with local, regional, national and international structures (including parliament, central government, devolved administrations, local government, health and education bodies, the justice system and other regulatory organisations).

Allocations may be used to build on activity already underway, and to build capacity for future activity.

Relevant activity which might be eligible to receive funding from this allocation includes:

* New research activity working in partnership with policymakers, particularly to better understand local, regional or national challenges;
* Extending existing related research activity;
* Facilitating the use of existing research and the exchange of knowledge between universities and policymakers;
* Activity aimed at improving the dialogue between universities and policymakers;
* Activity and training to better equip academics, including postgraduate researchers and early career researchers, to communicate effectively with policymakers;
* Partnerships and collaborations aimed at supporting evidence-based policy making;
* The exchange of people, e.g. staff secondments, contributing towards professional doctorates in policy, joint PhDs, etc.

Funds must be spent by **31 March 2020**.

Completed applications should be sent to caroline.taylor@admin.ox.ac.uk by **9 December 2019**.

Informal enquiries regarding the scope of activities may be made to william.pryor@socsci.ox.ac.uk.