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Hi,

Your consultation, for which I am grateful to hear about, is however a little confusing. The mechanism for feedback could be simpler.

For the work I am involved in the priority I have is seeing not only open data from yourselves (your Beta is brilliant and I hope it launches fully), but more fields included in that structured open data set - including the financials. Especially with regard to restricted reserves, unrestricted reserves, make-up of funds.

Personally I would avoid generic tagging and stick to structured formats applicable to every registered charity so that this is easily repurposed in your open data. One of the existing problems is that there are as many formats as there are PDFs as there are charities.

I hope that helps.

I am systems and support manager for OCVA. OCVA and Oxfordshire Community Foundation are building a web app that will depend on open data from charity commission in future. (<http://ocva.org.uk/data/>).

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