

Lobbying

- *Improve transparency in the funding of lobbying, advocacy and interest groups seeking to influence the policies of political parties and governments in power (or in waiting)
- *Recognise that the funding of lobbying, advocacy and interest groups seeking to influence the policies of political parties and governments in power (or in waiting) is currently shrouded in secrecy and requires much greater transparency in public – see "Free and Equal: What Would a Fair Society Look Like?" by Daniel Chandler (pp 155-156).
- *Consult widely and urgently on potential options for improvement.
- *[Consult widely and urgently on potential options for improvement, such as] increasing public transparency in the funding of lobbying, advocacy and interest groups;
- *[Consult widely and urgently on potential options for improvement, such as] investing in funding for independent, authoritative, widely respected sources of information freely available to politicians, civil servants and citizens, like the House of Commons Library in Parliament.
- *remove the influence of secretly-funded political 'think tanks'
- *All political 'think tanks' who refuse to declare the names of those who fund them (for instance, the secretly-funded political think tanks identified by Open Democracy at <https://bit.ly/3K8BIRu> and Transparify at <https://bit.ly/44GlaqQ>) must be banned from having their views published or quoted by the BBC and all other media outlets in the UK.

All good points. But needs to be broadened and consolidated. Perhaps add something about
 - commercial lobbying
 - cash for questions
 - foreign governments

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