

Would you pay for your local authority to build a swanky dog park?

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Weighing on our minds this week are the effects of behavioural insights on government decisions. Today we published a [blog](#) on this on our website, accompanying our latest Innovation Briefing on behavioural insights. It also weaves through the stories we bring you today - on how lessons from psychology affect health decisions, and how it plays a role in how we give money to government crowd-funding projects.

We round up this week's edition with an article on what tech and a translation database can achieve, as well as new research on neighbourhoods.

We hope you enjoy this email, and have a lovely weekend!

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[New earbud tech can translate in real time](#)

From Ars Technica

Potentially eliminating the cost to Councils for translators, up to 40 languages are supported.



[Do others know best about health?](#)

From The Conversation

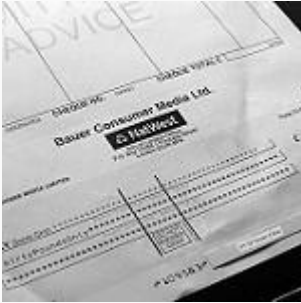
The benefits and drawbacks of applying nudge theory to health care.



Rich neighbourhoods raise birth outcomes

From UCI News

Couples affect birth outcomes pre-birth in move to well-off neighbourhoods.



Government by crowdfunding

From Pacific Standard

Citizens have the power to affect decision-making by donating.



How tech and behavioural science save lives

From Centre for Public Impact

Mexico trials a pre- and post-natal SMS service to empower women in health decision-making.

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