

# TOP 5 WEEKLY NEWS

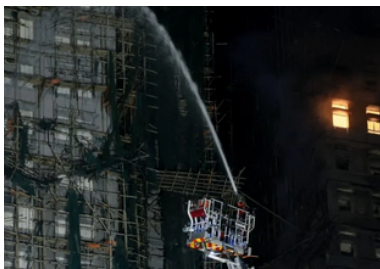
## **SFO Issues Updated Guidance on Evaluating Corporate Compliance Programmes.**

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On 26 November 2025, the Serious Fraud Office (SFO) published updated Guidance on Evaluating a Corporate Compliance Programme.

The new guidance replaces the previous guidance introduced in January 2020 and sets out six scenarios in which the SFO may assess an organisation's compliance programme.

Following the introduction of the "failure to prevent fraud" offence (effective 1 September 2025), the updated guidance includes a scenario for evaluating whether an organisation has in place "reasonable procedures" to meet the threshold for a defence under the failure to prevent fraud offence.



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