#### GCA Critique and the Savvy Use of the Code

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#### The Next 40 Minutes...

#### Today's challenging climate

#### What suppliers say about GSCOP

#### How to use the code more effectively

## Your questions



#### **Grocery Industry is in Challenging Waters**



Tough Economy Price vs Choice Changing shoppers Highest Competition Supermarket Range Culling Pressure on Suppliers



GCSOP is viewed positively... ...but suppliers see futility in engaging



### **Force for Good**

#### Some wins achieved Compliance officers Retailer training Calls for extended remit



## **Climate of Fear**

Ambiguous code Long process to failure Inappropriate approach Why Tesco investigation?





## **Bullying or Just Negotiation?**

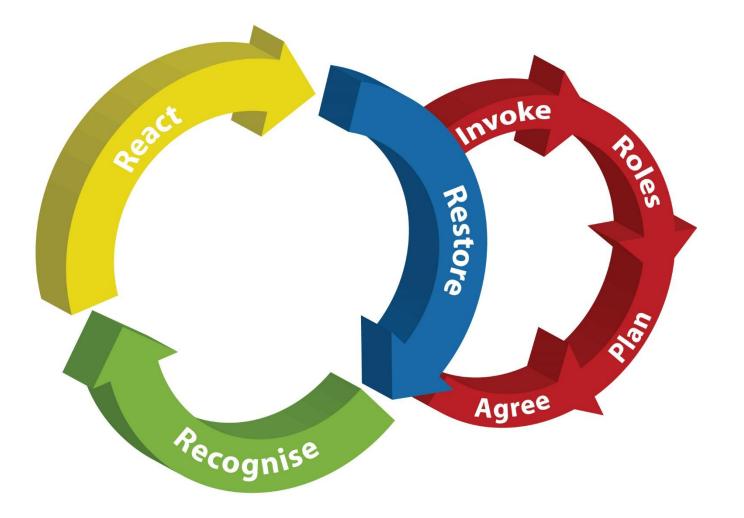


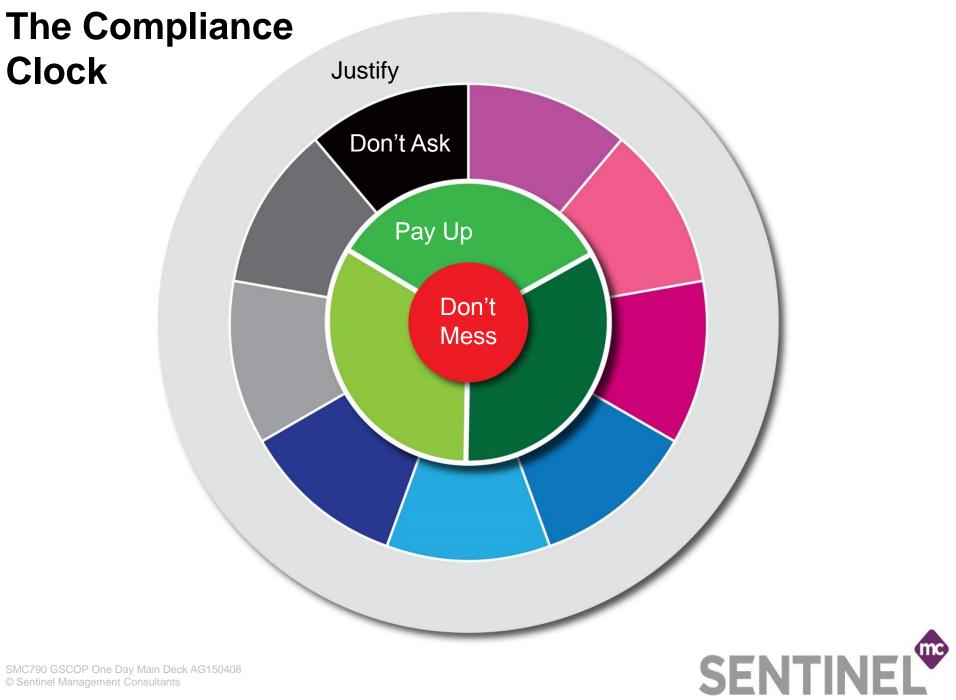
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#### The best way to use GSCOP... ...is not to use GSCOP





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#### Use the code in a savvy way to avoid invoking it

Assign responsibility outside Legal

Train 'commercial' dialogue

**Recognise React and Restore** 





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