

Here is the latest information for local authorities about the Local Land Charges Programme and the migration of local authorities' data to the live service.

Expanding our delivery capability

I am delighted to confirm that Cyient Europe Ltd and Landmark Information Group Ltd have become our latest delivery partners. Working together with their sub-contractors, they will be responsible for the discovery, scanning, digitisation and overall transformation of local authority migration data. We started the mobilisation activities in June and will spend at least three months building a foundation that ensures we get it right from the start. During this period, our subject matter experts will provide robust training on the end-to-end processes and procedures. These include data security, tools and digital and non-digital data. Once inducted and onboarded, the delivery partners are scheduled to start work from next year.

They have joined our existing delivery partners – Northgate, Idox, DEF Software and Agile Applications to support our ambition to migrate all LLC data in England and Wales by 2025.

The addition to our delivery capacity and the transition payments are the final steps in equipping us with the tools we need to meet our four-year delivery ambition. We will work as a team and support these market leading organisations in building their capacity to undertake the LLC migration.

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Our collaboration documents

We have been working to streamline the agreements signed at the start of the migration process as we increase the pace of delivery. As part of our engagement strategy, we are keen to ensure that the Terms of Collaboration (ToC) and the Collaboration Agreement (CA) are clearly communicated to local authorities during our interactions.

To ensure the CA is in good order, we worked through the detail and incorporated suggested amendments from the Local Government Association's review. The ToC is a light touch document that allows HM Land Registry to receive data from the local authority and begin assessment activities.

We recommend looking at these agreements as early as possible. You may wish to ask your legal department to review them, so that your delivery or first transition payment is not hindered.

The signing of the CA is one of the milestones required before the first transition payment is made. Copies of the two documents can be found on the Migration Hub.

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Events

In June, I gave a presentation to the 300+ stakeholders (representing over 160 local authorities) attending the 25th Land Data and Local Land Charges Training and Development event. This included a panel Q&A session where our Early Engagement Lead, Jamie Winch, reiterated the support available to authorities before, during and after migration.

Since late June and through July, HM Land Registry and our delivery partners have co-hosted a series of webinars for local authorities to:

- familiarise themselves with the delivery partners that they will be working
- explain how HM Land Registry will work with their respective delivery partners:
- look at the work delivery partners are doing behind the scenes and how this may affect them.

All local authorities should have received an invitation to one of these webinars run by their delivery partner.

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Latest local authorities to join our register

I am delighted to announce that Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council went live on our register on 19 July. In doing so, Dudley has enabled its citizens to access instant local land charges search results, making it quicker and simpler to buy and sell property in the area.

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Service statistics

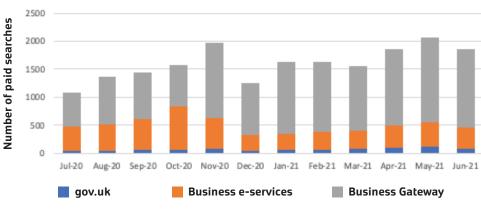
This graph illustrates the number of official searches purchased through HM Land Registry's business channels for migrated local authorities.

With more local authorities joining our register, we have seen continued high volumes of searches processed through our channels. With the high levels of activity currently seen in the housing market nationwide, we are pleased to

see that the register is helping to speed up transactions in migrated areas.

We will continue to work with both local authorities and the conveyancing sector to support local property markets.

Volume of paid for searches by channel for migrated local authorities



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Feedback

As always, your feedback is important to our efforts in improving and refining the service. Please email our team inbox with any comments.

Kind regards

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