

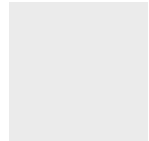
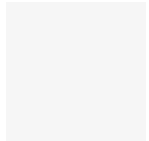
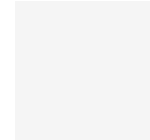
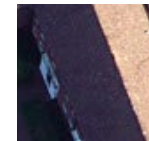
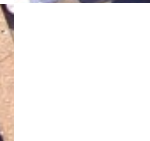
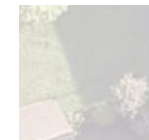
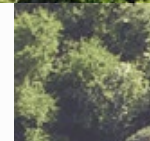
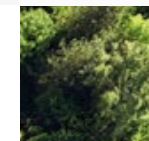
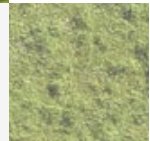
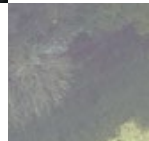
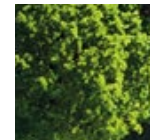
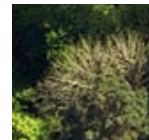
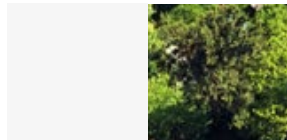


Newsletter January 2023

Get the latest information about the Local Land Charges (LLC) Programme and the migration of local authorities' data to the central LLC Register.

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New Forestry Commission local land charges

The Environment Act 2021 amended the Forestry Act 1967 to introduce two new notices. The restocking and enforcement notices became new local land charges on 1 January 2023.

Anyone who fells a tree without a felling licence where one is required, could now face an unlimited fine or prison sentence. Fines and prison sentences are among a package of new powers introduced to crackdown on illegal tree felling in England.

As the originating authority, the Forestry Commission is responsible for registering these charges. Its new powers to compel landowners to provide information about parties who have an interest in the land, such as leaseholders or tenants, will improve information transparency. Enhancing visibility of this information will ensure the forestry enforcement process is better able to target appropriate action.



LLC 2023 training and development

Register now for the LLC 2023 Training and Development event in Bristol on 28-29 March 2023. The in-person training and development event will be held at [The Bristol Hotel](#), following two years of online events. This is a great opportunity for the local land charges community to come together to learn and network.

View the [provisional programme](#) to find out more or visit the [Land Data website](#).

[Register for event](#)

This event combines more than 20 years of event management experience, giving delegates an opportunity to:

- learn from industry experts
- get up to speed with market trends
- share best-practice with peers
- network and make new connections
- boost morale within your team
- celebrate the 2023 winners of the Excellence Awards

Last year, 230 local authority delegates attended the online event. 95% of those who gave feedback felt the event offered good professional development opportunities.

Training & Development

LLC 2023

Become a winner

Last month we shared details of the new Land Data **Best Performing Migrated Local Authority** award category. All eligible migrated local authorities will automatically be entered for the award. The winner will be announced on 28 March at the gala evening dinner.

There is still time to influence the outcome and become the most outstanding authority by taking steps to enhance your registration performance. The four performance indicators below will be used to judge the winner:

- time taken to register new charges
- time taken to correct errors
- completeness of entries
- accuracy of entries.

Act now to bolster your rating. Sample data from 1 December 2022 to 1 February 2023 will be analysed to determine which local authority is the most outstanding.



Quote of the month

Phil Spencer, Move iQ Founder and Director

Phil is best known as the co-presenter of Channel 4 property show Location, Location, Location and its spin-off Relocation, Relocation. While making his recent Move iQ People in Property [podcast](#) and [video](#) about the value of location data he said:

“I’ve been helping people buy for 28 years and the constant frustration is ‘it takes so long, why does it take so long, everything is dragged out.’ What you’re doing is transformative and I just think it is really exciting because everybody benefits.”



Top migration tips

— **NEC spatial import completed using OACI**

Previously NEC imports required a unique 'further information reference', to ensure imported data arrived in the intended source systems. The Wandsworth spatial import was successfully run using the Originating Authority Charge Identifier (OACI).

— **NEC M3 addresses within 'Site Location' field**

Due to how the M3 system works, if a local authority links a record to multiple unique property reference numbers (UPRNs), the system automatically populates the 'Site Location' field with one of the linked addresses, which is not always representative of the entire charge. We have seen this in previous NEC local authorities, but Wandsworth re-iterated the need to check addresses thoroughly and amend where necessary to ensure the address is appropriate, as this is the field that we extract addresses from.

— **Multi-polygons within NEC systems**

Any record with multi-polygons within the M3 system need to be 'unionised' so it can be extracted by HM Land Registry. If it is not unionised, the record will appear to have no spatial extent when extracted.

— **Registration dates and creation dates from NEC Authorities**

The registration date for records is extracted from source, but the creation date is simply a copy of the registration date. This is true for all NEC local authorities and could potentially be confusing to customers of the HM Land Registry live service who will see both dates as always being the same. It has been flagged as a 'bug' within the system for change as part of future migrations. For Wandsworth, we opted to leave the creation date as blank and only populate the registration date, which is hopefully less confusing for customers.

— **Covent Garden Market Act**

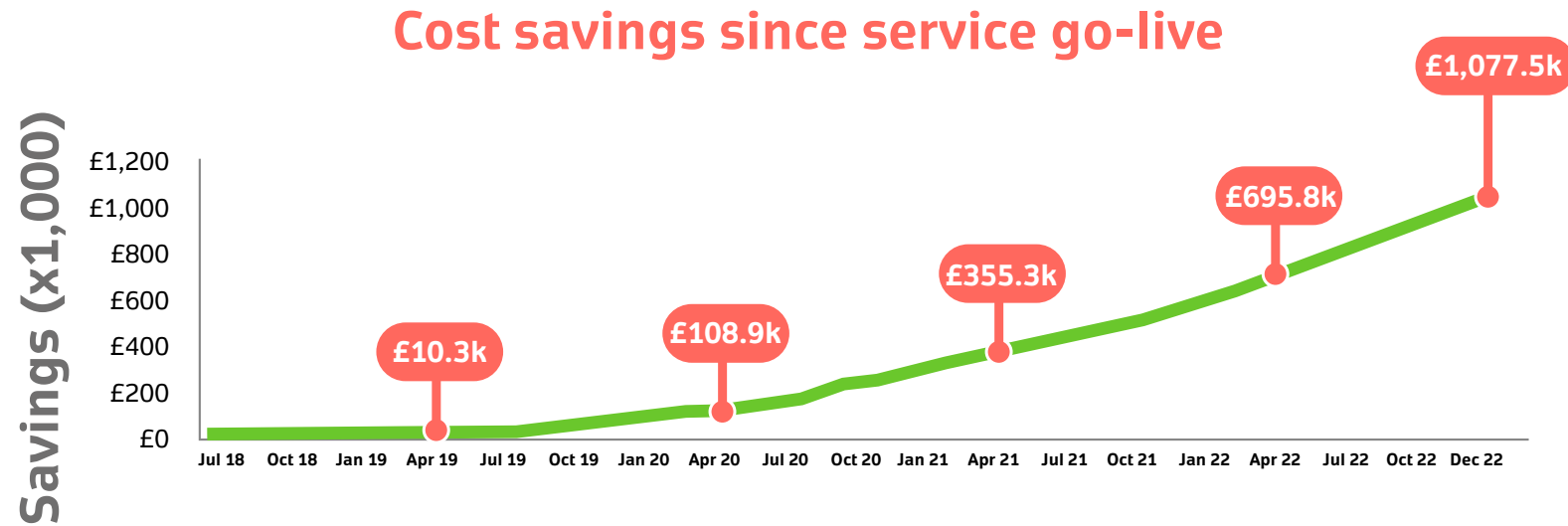
This local land charge is specific to London and spans several London boroughs. Following discussions with lawyers etc, it was decided that it was up to each local authority affected by the charge, to determine if they migrate the charge. Any local authority wanting to keep the record on its register (it technically can be removed as the act is historic), can do so – they must use a spatial extent to reflect the area of the charge that falls inside their own boundary and not the entire area. Wandsworth elected to keep the charge on their register, and created an appropriate spatial extent, whereas Lambeth (who have already migrated) cancelled the charge from theirs.

Please visit our [Migration Hub](#) for more tips



LLC Register cost savings

Cost savings continue to climb as more local authorities join the national LLC Register. A total of **53 local authorities** were migrated onto the register by December 2022. In January 2023 the number will increase to 59.



December migrations

[East Cambridgeshire District Council](#)
[Rutland County Council](#)

05-Dec-22
12-Dec-22

Planned January migrations

[Malvern Hills District Council](#)
[Sefton Metropolitan Borough Council](#)
[City of Wolverhampton Council](#)
[Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council](#)
[Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council](#)

12-Jan-23
16-Jan-23
18-Jan-23
23-Jan-23
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Kind regards

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