



#### Local authorities offered local land charges transition payments

#### Introduction

To support our ambition to migrate all local land charges (LLC) records to the central LLC Register by 2025, we are introducing a £26m transition payment fund.

The transition payment will be in addition to the new burdens, which cover the cost a local authority may incur when migrating their data. This means the overall financial support available will be more than £40m.

### What does this payment mean for local authorities?

The payment will enable local authorities to address practical challenges that could hinder their timely participation in the programme. Payment can be used for necessary resources, such as administrative support, equipment or services that will enable a smooth and timely migration.

## How much will my local authority receive?

Payments will be based on the size of the housing market the local authority provides service for. We have used the Office for National Statistics property sales data to create five local authority bands. Local authorities will typically be offered between £60,000 and £90,000 respectively, a small number of very large authorities will be offered a higher amount. These payment amounts are non-negotiable.

# When will we receive these payments?

Local authorities will receive two separate payments, when they achieve two key delivery milestones. The first payment will be issued when they sign their Delivery Plan and formally enter service migration. After the service goes live, they will receive the second final payment.

## What if an LA misses their second milestone?

For LAs that miss their second milestone we will apply a tapered system of weekly deductions which will determine the amount the LA will receive if they meet a revised serve notice date. The LA will have 2.5% of the milestone 2 payment deducted for each week past the original deadline. If cause of the delay lies with HM Land Registry, payment will be made as normal.

Payments are conditional on local authorities meeting the delivery milestones, by the dates agreed with HM Land Registry.

#### What do I need to do next?

Contact your Delivery Manager who will be able to provide more details, or contact us at <u>llcproject@landregistry.gov.uk</u> if you have not been allocated a Delivery Manager.