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Introduction

The origin of good addressing is an efficient and consistent street naming and numbering service.

Without this statutory service:

- Councils will find it difficult to maintain their street & property gazetteers.
- OS AddressBase® will not be consistent enough for users.
- Smart phone location based service apps may not exist.



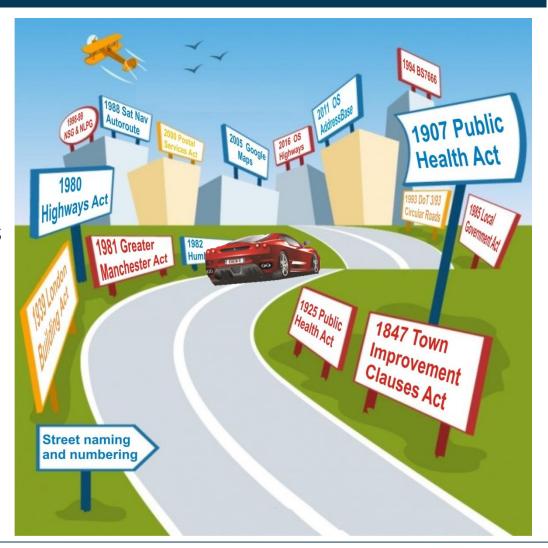




Everything happens somewhere

The source of any address for todays society is SNN

To recognise the important contributions SNN officers provide, GeoPlace want to support them develop a unique strategy for England and Wales





SNN Key Themes

• SNN Governance Guidance transparent decision making & consultation

Acts & legislation Independent legal advice obtained on SNN legislation

Charging Independent legal advice obtained on SNN charges

Consultation
 To do - Best Practice Documents

Street name allocation
 To do - Best Practice Documents

Property Number/Name allocation To do - Best Practice Documents

RM postcode allocation
 To do - Best Practice Documents

SNN allocation/notification
 To do - Best Practice Documents

SNN for England and Wales a 5-year action plan for good addressing



SNN Governance Best Practice Documents

SNN Governance

- 1. Decision document record of decisions made by the council
- 2. Retention policy length of time documents are to kept
- Guidance documents how SNN works
- 4. Application documents how to apply for SNN
- SNN advisory note on planning approval decision notice— a signpost for SNN decision making
- SNN notifications to be sent to Royal Mail standardised request for postal delivery information



Acts and Legislation

Sorry no new legislation

What we have achieved is legal clarity on existing legislation Legal advice from independent Anthony Collins Solicitors

- 20 legislative acts considered appropriate for SNN, includes
- Street naming and renaming
- Street nameplates
- Property numbering/naming and renumbering/renaming
- Marking buildings with allocated numbers/names
 This clarity highlights today's real world legislative deficiencies



Charging

Surveys and last years round table discussions put charging at the top of the SNN communities wish list

Legal advice from independent Anthony Collins Solicitors on existing legislation for charging

Duty v Power

- When an authority is under a duty to number properties or name streets then it cannot make a charge
- When an authority has a power to re-number or re-name properties or re-name streets then it can make a charge

So what's the difference?

Alex Lawrence, Associate, specialist in local government law at Anthony Collins Solicitors



Conclusion

- SNN for England and Wales a 5-year action plan from April 2018 for good addressing
- The strategic themes identify realistic achievements and deliverables to benefit the SNN community
- 3. The work programme is developed and a SNN code of practice delivered
- 4. The document is adopted by the SNN community

