

# UPRNs: an LGA guide for councils

The UPRN as the unique identifier for every addressable location, is key to almost everything that's delivered or achieved by councils.

It should be fundamental to all data matching and therefore to all data analysis – this ensures disparate data sets and innovative applications of data can be blended to provide insight and understanding about residents and businesses, which is needed to deliver area-based services effectively on the ground.

Every authority has common focal points, such as housing, education, welfare and highways. When the UPRN is added to each siloed department's data, the whole organisation benefits. It becomes a much simpler exercise to link inter-departmental information.

<https://local.gov.uk/uprn>

