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1 New technology is changing society

- Some of the most exciting new technologies available today are linked to location
- Digital services built on GPS and mapping data have quietly become central parts of everyday life
- This relies on being able to access the fundamental building block of our digital economy - geospatial data



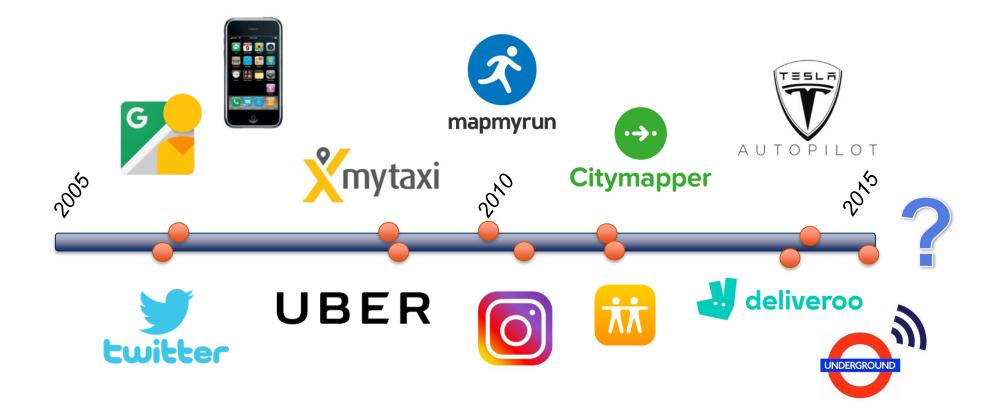






2 The technology landscape is changing at pace





3 The UK has some of the best geospatial data capabilities

- The UK ranks 2nd out of 50 countries for geospatial readiness.
- But we cannot afford to be complacent.
- Most of our competitor countries have created some form of governance across the geospatial domain to champion better use of geospatial data









- We have led the world in showing how opening up our public data infrastructure delivers business growth and helps the government to become more efficient.
- And yet at the heart of our national data infrastructure there remains a set of impediments to growth whose removal will generate revenue – and will make the UK a more attractive investment destination in an increasingly competitive market.

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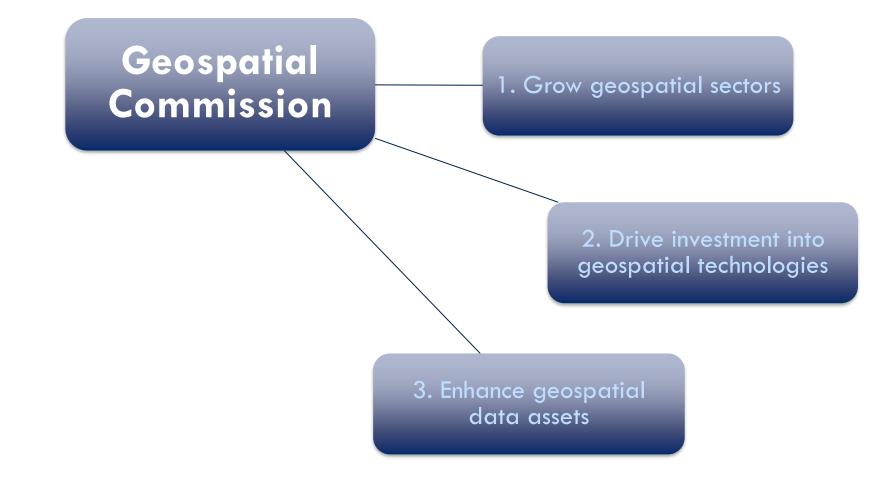




- Geospatial strategy is a government priority due to the high value economic and social opportunities it can deliver.
- The Chancellor announced at the last Budget that the government would create a new UK Geospatial Commission, allocating £40 million a year over the next two years to support the Commission's development and delivery of identified priorities.

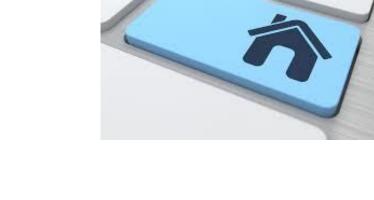
6 The 3 areas the Geospatial Commission is focusing on

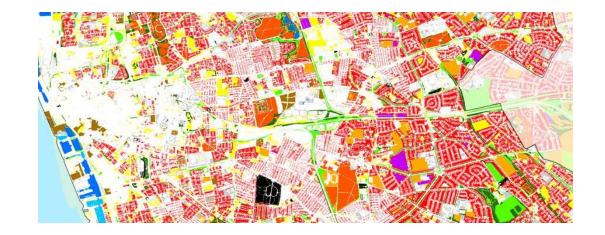




Potential geospatial use case examples to look at

- Housing, land and planning
- Infrastructure and construction
- Data quality and standards
- Optimising end-to-end supply chains
- Forecast demand for public services
- Autonomous mining
- Earth observation











Recruiting Commissioners Consulting on a new UK-wide strategy in Summer 2018



Publish 1st annual plan in Spring 2019