Roundtable 10: Unlocking the OS National Geographic Database with UPRNs

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What challenges are you facing today in accessing and using Ordnance Survey NGD?

- Is there an easy way to migrate?
- GIS manager interested in cartography. What to see familiarity and colours
- Very niche product
- Has to create buffer polygons around points – struggle with it only accepting polygons data
- More technical – people want mapping
- Lack of materials that aid working in an interdisciplinary way – it needs to be suitable for different entry points
- Disappointed with building age data, need listed buildings – so the data isn't yet as accurate as we need it to be
- Need to be assured of confidence in AI algorithms
- Using data to assign UPRNs to listed buildings and addresses, but there are multiple points in one polygon. Would like address data/UPRNs in buildings
- 100 records cap on API is challenging
- Time taken to style data
- Building age categories are too broad
- 'Mixed material' in buildings isn't helpful.

What successes have you had to date using NSG?

- Great to download subset of buildings rather than MasterMap product
- Interested in bridging between data and storytelling
- Really useful attributes such as roof material
- Currency and provenance of data is a big benefit
- Validate location of churches
- Data linking – EPC, solar panels
- More exploration of classifications.

What can OS, GeoPlace & the LGA do to support you to help maximise the use of geospatial information in your organisation?

- Information sharing is already very good, but we need more support in providing the business case to move to NGD
- Would like improved styling
- A series of short and digestible 'YouTube' videos would be helpful; what NGD is, how I get it, what I can do with it