

# GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

## REQUEST FOR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR DECISION – ADD389

### Title: Land Registry - Commercial & Corporate Ownership Data & National Polygon Service

#### Executive Summary:

The GIS & Infrastructure team (within the Intelligence Unit) purchase a number of datasets on behalf of the GLA each year.

The National Polygon Service used in combination with the Commercial & Corporate Ownership Data provides for the first time a London-wide picture of land ownership.

No alternative suppliers are available as Land Registry is the only collector of such data by law.

The decision seeks approval for expenditure of up to £ 45,000 for the purchase of 2016 Commercial & Corporate Ownership Data & National Polygon Service from the Land Registry.

#### Decision:

The Assistant Director approves:

- Expenditure of up to £45,000 on the 2016 Commercial & Corporate Ownership Data & National Polygon Service from the Land Registry; and
- An exemption from section 4.1 of the GLA Contracts and Funding Code to seek a call-off from a suitable framework or undertake a formal tender process to source this content from the Land Registry as no alternative suppliers are available.

#### AUTHORISING ASSISTANT DIRECTOR/HEAD OF UNIT:

I have reviewed the request and am satisfied it is correct and consistent with the Mayor's plans and priorities.

It has my approval.

Name: Andrew Collinge

Position: Assistant Director of Intelligence

Signature:



Date:

1/3/16

- 2.3. The data will be used in Geographical Information System (GIS), desktop publishing (such as Adobe Illustrator) and extracts used in presentations / reports.
- 2.4. The GLA has several policy and project areas that requires this data including support for the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA), London Plan, Witan modelling system, work of the Housing & Land team and the London Land Commission.

### 3. Equality comments

The data will be available to help the GLA to deliver more affordable homes and deliver more effective development schemes for Londoners.

### 4. Other considerations

- 4.1. Possible risk – Data not delivered.  
Mitigation – data will be supplied as a single package, payment made after supply.
- 4.2. Possible risk – Missing tiles or tiles out of order.  
Mitigation – The supplier has their own Quality Assurance processes
- 4.3. Links to Mayoral strategies and priorities – The data will support work in Town Centres, around transport hubs, major developments and outer London.
- 4.4. Impact assessments and consultations – The impact of not making this purchase is that decisions will not be able to be made or will be made based on out-of-date or incomplete information. There is no financial impact of making the decision as it has already been profiled in the 2015/16 budget.
- 4.5. Consultation took place with the key user groups including representatives from the main teams (Intelligence, Planning and Housing).

### 5. Financial comments

- 5.1. Approval is being sought for the GLA to incur expenditure of up to £ 45,000 on the 2016 Commercial & Corporate Ownership Data & National Polygon Service from the Land Registry.
- 5.2. The cost will be fully funded from the existing 2015/16 Intelligence Unit budget (Witan GG.0220.090.) within the Communities & Intelligence Directorate.

Dataset	Description	Cost
National Polygon Service (monthly refresh, Level 2 use)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- National Polygon dataset (shows the indicative shape and position of each boundary of a registered title for land and/or property in England and Wales. Every title whether freehold or leasehold has at least one index polygon, mapped against Ordnance Survey's large scale map MasterMap)</li> <li>- Title Descriptor dataset (describes the legal interest(s) that have been recorded against</li> </ul>	£20,000

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**Part 1 Deferral:**

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If YES, for what reason:

Until what date: (a date is required if deferring)

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**Is there a part 2 form? NO**

**ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION:**

Drafting officer  
to confirm the  
following (✓)

**Drafting officer:**

Paul Hodgson has drafted this report in accordance with GLA procedures and confirms that the Finance and Legal teams have commented on this proposal as required, and this decision reflects their comments.

✓

**HEAD OF GOVERNANCE AND RESILIENCE:**

I confirm that financial and legal implications have been appropriately considered in the preparation of this report.

**Signature:**



**Date:**

01. 03. 16