

Newsletter May 2025

Get the latest information about the Local Land Charges (LLC) Programme and local authorities' data migration to the central LLC Register.

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Local authority clusters going live

Worcestershire – the first live county council

On 12 May 2025, Wychavon District Council will transfer its local land charges (LLC) data onto the LLC Register. This is a significant milestone for customers who rely on this information. When Wychavon's service goes live, Worcestershire County Council will become the first county council to fully digitise all its LLC data and make it accessible on the national register.

Customers within Worcestershire County can have confidence that their LLC data is accurate, standardised and instantly available. This is an impressive achievement for the six local authorities involved:

- Bromsgrove District Council
- Redditch Borough Council
- Malvern Hills District Council
- Wyre Forest District Council
- Worcestershire City Council
- Wychavon District Council.

We asked Delivery Manager, Keith Lloyd, what advice he would give to county councils in the run up to live service:

- **Maintain regular communication with your delivery manager.** They are there to help you with any issues or concerns you may encounter.
- **Stay actively engaged with your districts,** foster a collaborative approach.
- **Ensure the effective distribution of important information across all relevant departments** and encourage open communication.
- **Join the County Council Local Land Charges group** to stay informed.

Whether your county is approaching the end of migration or is still in its early stage, joining the County Council Local Land Charges group offers valuable benefits. Led by Elaine Munns from West Sussex County Council, the forum meets quarterly to share advice, challenges, and observations relating to migration. With nearly 40 members, the forum regularly welcomes Keith Lloyd, and attendees from the Local Land Charges Institute.

For more information about joining contact [Elaine Munns](#).



The North Yorkshire cluster is live

City of York Council has become the eighth local authority (LA) to go live within North Yorkshire, completing the cluster. This milestone ensures that customers across the entire region now have full, instant access to digital local land charges data.

As a historic LA with unique charges and procedures, City of York Council has undergone a distinct migration process. A case study is being produced to explore this journey and highlight what sets it apart. The case study will be shared in the coming months.

All our published case studies can be found on [GOV.UK](https://gov.uk).



Guaranteed – all local land charges search results

In April 2025, over 55,000 customers searched the national Local Land Charges (LLC) Register for information about property restrictions or prohibitions. With simpler, quicker access and guaranteed results for personal and official searches, customers can have confidence in the data.

Anyone can access LLC information through our [Search for local land charges service](#). Business customers can also access it through their portal accounts or Business Gateway. Your official and personal search results are guaranteed. If a search certificate fails to reveal a local land charge that existed at the time of a search, you may be entitled to compensation for any resulting loss.

Find out more about the [Local Land Charges compensation protocol](#)



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10 June 2025 – content edited to improve clarity.

We have been shortlisted!

We are thrilled to be chosen as finalists for the 2025 Property Awards, in the Commercial Public-Private Partnership of the Year category.

This prestigious award recognises outstanding achievements in public-private partnerships within the commercial property sector. It celebrates collaborations that drive transformative projects, foster innovation, and create lasting value for stakeholders and communities.

We applaud all the finalists and look forward to celebrating the winner on 1 July.



Quote of the month

“I couldn’t have asked for a better Delivery Manager or team; HM Land Registry has been absolutely superb.”

Peter Audin

Local Land Charges Manager
City of York Council



Upcoming events

Our team is looking forward to hitting the road at a number of upcoming events. We will be answering questions and providing live demonstrations of the local land charges live search service.

Details of how you can sign up are available on the relevant event organiser's website.



Wayne Spencer, Director of For Legal said, **"we are thrilled to be partnering once again with HM Land Registry at our upcoming Spring events. We are incredibly grateful for this continued collaboration, and for the valuable insights and expertise the team shares with our delegates at our Residential Conveyancing events. We look forward to working with you at our event in London this Spring."**

Event	Date	Location
<u>Minerva Seminar Series</u>	14 May 2025	Exeter
<u>For Legal – A Conveyancing Law Update</u>	15 May 2025	Cardiff
<u>Property Experts Lunch</u>	15 May 2025	Pontefract
<u>CoPSO Conference</u>	20 May 2025	London
<u>UKREiif</u>	20-22 May 2025	Leeds
<u>Minerva Seminar Series</u>	4 June 2025	Birmingham
<u>For Legal – A Conveyancing Law Update</u>	10 June 2025	Liverpool
<u>Propertymark One</u>	13 June 2025	London
<u>LGA Conference</u>	1-3 July 2025	Liverpool
<u>Propertymark</u>	16 September 2025	Manchester
<u>Propertymark</u>	25 September 2025	Leicester
<u>Propertymark</u>	9 October 2025	Kent
<u>Propertymark</u>	16 October 2025	Sussex
<u>EA Masters Conference</u>	4 November 2025	London
<u>Propertymark</u>	26 November	Newmarket

Ben Mills, Commercial Director of Law Firm Services said, **"It was great to hear from Jamie Winch (HM Land Registry's Stakeholder & Innovation Manager for Local Land Charges) at our first Minerva Seminar in Stansted. Understanding how HM Land Registry**

is digitising data to speed up the house buying process is important. I strongly encourage other firms to attend the upcoming seminars and hear about the improvements being made for themselves."

We want your feedback!

Have your say! Help us to improve our communications.

We want to make sure this newsletter provides the information readers require. If you can spend 15 – 20 minutes sharing your views and preferences about LLC information, please e-mail our research team with any dates/times that suit you:

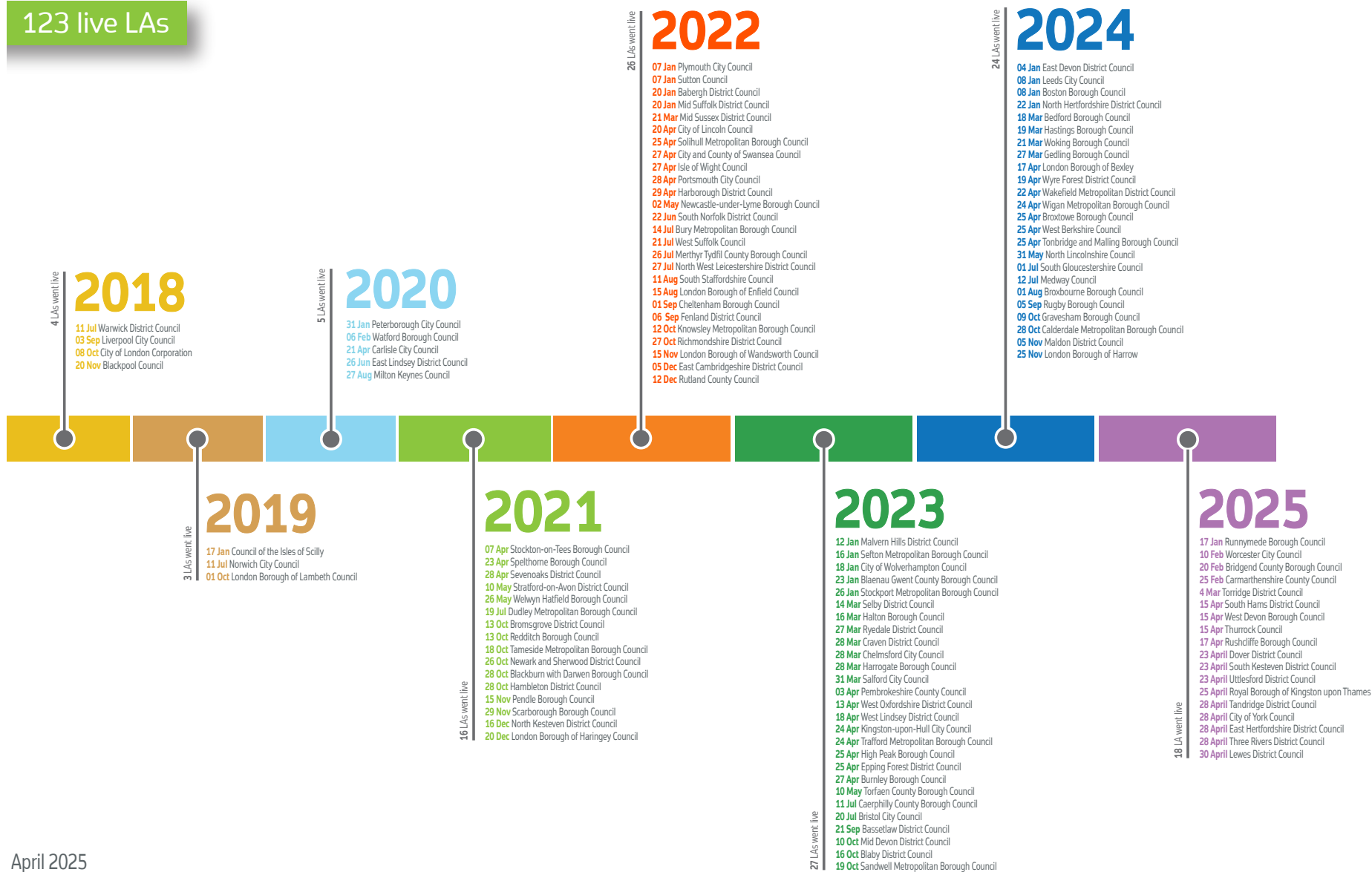
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Local authorities on the register by 30 April 2025

HM Land Registry Local Land Charges Register

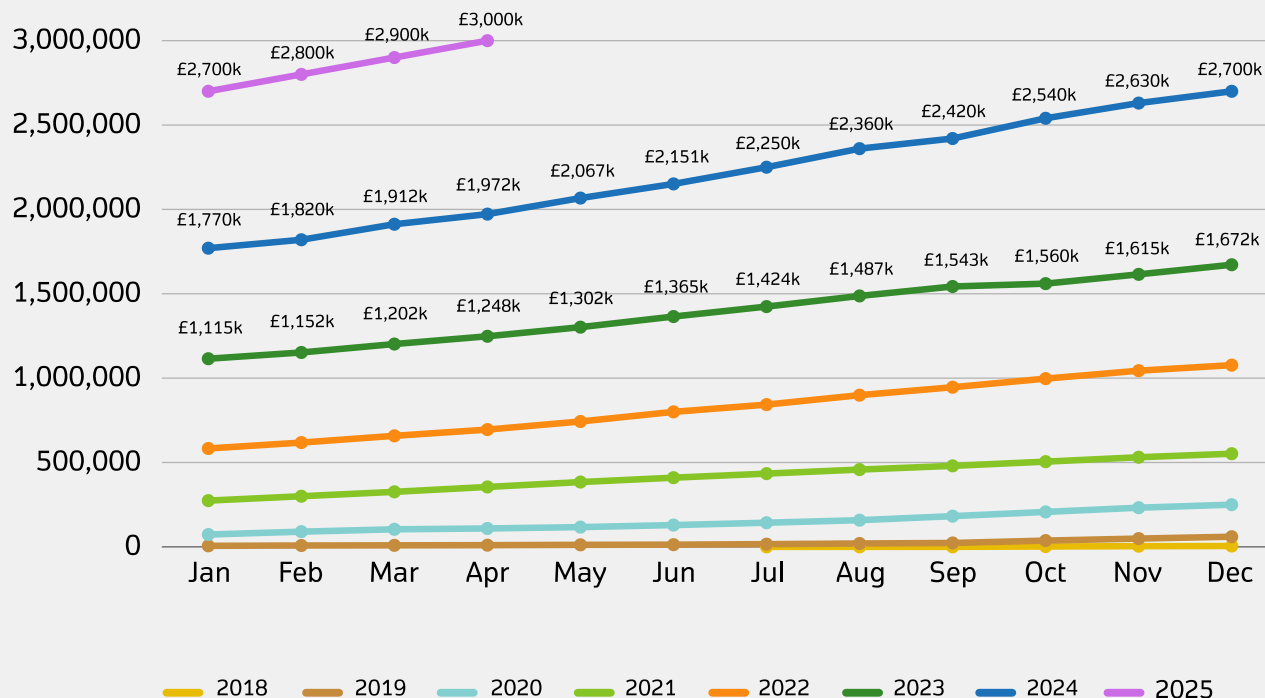
123 live LAs



The national LLC Register cost savings

Since programme launch, the LLC Register has recorded a total cost saving of over **£3million** from searches with customers in migrated areas, saving an average of **12.6 days** to obtain an LLC search result. More than **7.2 million** charges from **123 local authorities** have been **migrated** to the register.

Cost savings since service go live



This graph illustrates the accumulative savings as more local authorities join the national LLC Register

The national LLC Register – total number of searches

Since July 2018,
we have recorded

1,580,747
searches on
the register

Search figure accurate up to the end of the preceding month (April 25)

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Griffiths'.

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