



# Local Land Charges news

## June 2026

**The latest information about the Local Land Charges (LLC) Programme.**

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# Recent migrations to live service

**Two local authorities successfully migrated in May.**

**North Somerset Council**

5 May 2026

**Cyngor Gwynedd**

12 May 2026

Migrated local authorities are listed alphabetically on [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk)



# Enhanced approach to listed building assessment

**Local authorities have often identified listed building data, as one of the most complex and time-consuming aspects of their local land charges (LLC) migration. To enhance this element of the service, we are streamlining and improving how the data is assessed.**

As part of this work the LLC Quality Assurance (QA) team has introduced a new automated process. This change enhances how listed building data is validated during migration, by building on policy and guidance developed in partnership with Historic England, Cadw and local authority stakeholders. It also provides an additional way to ensure the completeness of the data.

The new process automatically compares the geometries supplied by the local authority with spatial data held by Historic England and/or

Cadw. This helps to identify if a dataset is complete, allowing the QA team to provide clear, targeted guidance on any area of concern. Local authorities can then review the findings with one-to-one support from our delivery teams.

Several local authorities who have been through the new process have provided positive feedback. Many have said it provides a valuable additional layer of assurance before their listed building data is made publicly available.



# Register now for our upcoming originating authorities webinar

Join our free, **online webinar** for originating authorities (OAs) on **21 July 2026**, from **11:00 – 12:00**, via **Microsoft Teams**.

[Register now](#)

This webinar is designed for OAs: national parks, county councils and other originating authorities who are going through migration or have not yet begun. The session will provide OAs with practical information and resources needed to successfully fulfil their role.

In this webinar, we will cover:

- the latest update on the LLC Programme and end of programme planning, including where local authorities currently stand in the migration process
- your legal responsibilities for registering local land charges and what that means in practice
- roles and responsibilities throughout the migration journey

- why data quality matters, what data is needed, and how to provide it
- preparing for live service

Your data, and compliance with statutory obligations are vital to the success of the programme. This is your chance to ask questions, hear directly from programme experts and get the clarity you need.



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# Implementing a new Ordnance Survey map capability into the Search service

We are switching the maps across all HM Land Registry services to a new internal map capability, using Ordnance Survey data.

In June 2025, we introduced the new map into our Search for local land charges service alongside the existing map. We also added a map switcher so users could compare both versions and share their feedback.

User feedback has given us confidence that the new map meets their needs and can fully replace the existing map.

Benefits the new map brings include:

- street names and house numbers are clearer.
- ‘Select area from map’ function captures more features from the map to create the search extent.

Feedback on the new map has been overwhelmingly positive. Analytics show that 98.23% of users switch to or stay on the new map. Only 1.77% stayed on or returned to the original map.

We will remove the original map, and the map switcher pages by the end of September 2026. Users will be notified in advance through messages within the service, and we will issue a release notice when the work is complete.

We welcome your continued feedback on the new map, and the Search for Local Land Charges service, through the feedback link in the service.

Your [feedback \(opens in new tab\)](#) will help us to improve this service.

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## Do you want to switch to the new map style?

We are updating the look of our map. The buttons have stayed the same.



Original map style

New map style

Your search results will be the same using either map style.

For a limited period, you have the chance to try out the new map style before the original map style is removed altogether.

At present, you can switch between the two styles at any time.

We are very keen to hear your feedback about the new map style. Complete our [feedback form \(opens in new tab\)](#).

Yes, switch to the new map style

No

Confirm

# Introducing the Live Service Manual

**The Service Performance Integration team have created a new Live Service Manual for local authorities (LAs), who have migrated their data onto the Local Land Charges (LLC) Register.**

The new resource contains all the information and guidance that LAs need to confidently manage their LLC data. It covers handover information, guidance on using the Maintain system, a useful glossary of LLC terminology, and much more, all in one place.

Whether you are navigating the post-migration period or need a quick, reliable reference for day-to-day operations, the Live Service Manual is here to support you.

Access the document on [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk).



# We want your feedback!

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The survey should take less than 5 minutes to complete, and your answers will remain anonymous.

Your feedback will help us to make meaningful improvements to our pages, so we can better serve you.



# Save the date – our regional workshops return in November

**We are hosting two regional workshops in November 2026, and we would love you to join us.**

These workshops are for local and other originating authorities who have not completed the migration process. The events offer practical, hands-on support from people who can help - whether you're facing data complexities, system issues, resource pressures, or other challenges.

On the day, you'll be able to network with peers, speak directly with local land charges teams, and get advice from subject experts. Previous workshops received positive feedback, one attendee said: **"The whole day was valuable. The full content of the day was informative, and I have taken away lots of useful pointers and feel confident and excited to begin our migration journey."**

We want these workshops to meet your needs. If there is a topic you would like us to cover, or a challenge you would like addressed, email [llcproject@landregistry.gov.uk](mailto:llcproject@landregistry.gov.uk). Your suggestion will be incorporated into the agenda.

## Workshop dates

- **12 November** – North England
- **19 November** – South England

More details, including venue locations, agenda timetable and registration link will be shared soon.

With important programme milestones on the horizon, now is the time to make sure your migration is on track, we look forward to seeing you there.



# West Suffolk Council recognised for Local Land Charges service

**West Suffolk Council has been named runner-up in the Best Migrated Local Authority category, at the 2026 Land Data Awards for Excellence. This is the latest in a series of recognitions for the council's local land charges service.**

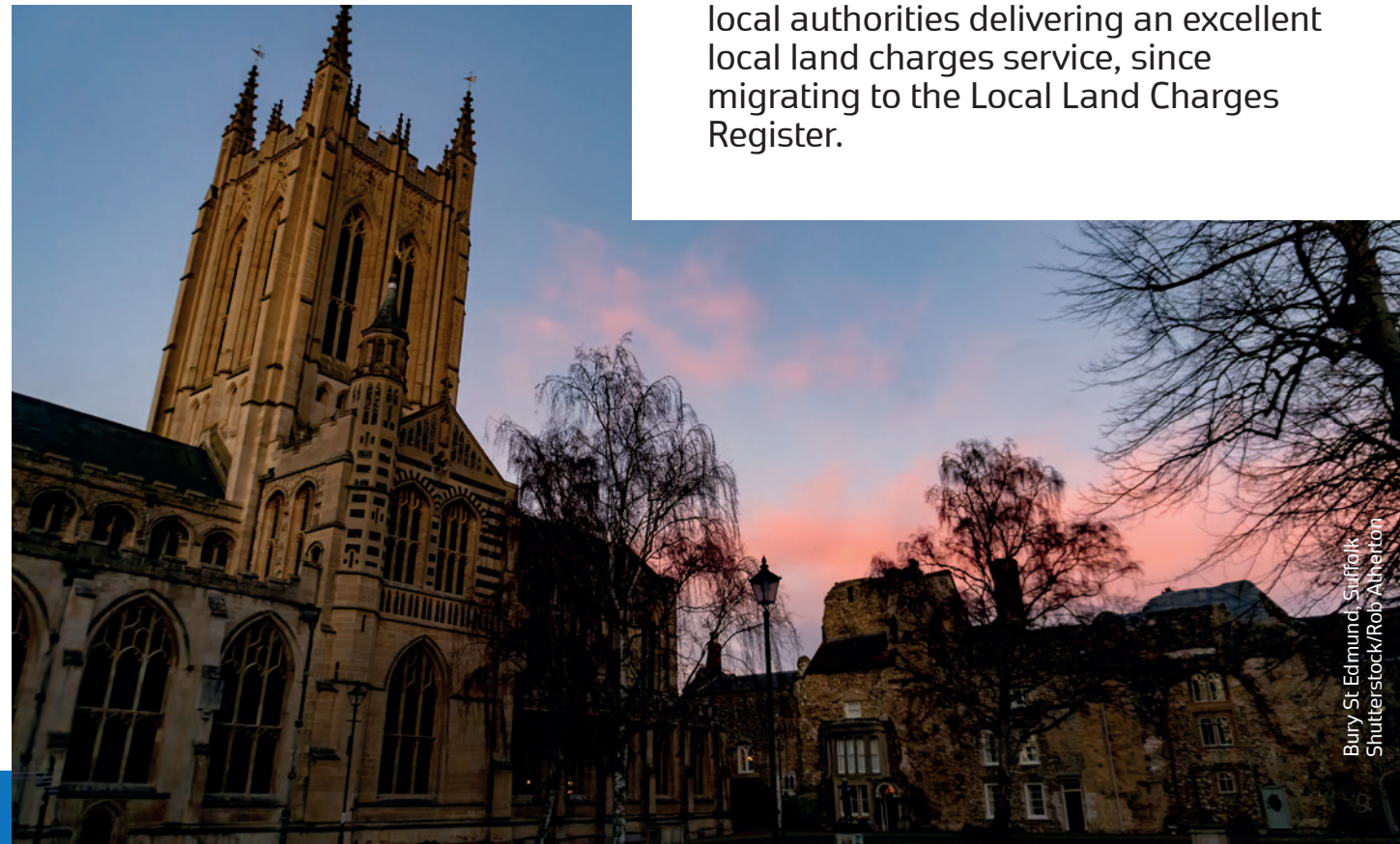
For the award, HM Land Registry (HMLR) selects recipients based on key performance criteria, which includes the speed of registrations and the accuracy of entries. Having won the same award in 2024, their continued recognition reflects a team that consistently delivers a high standard of service. To acknowledge their high-quality data standards, HMLR presented the council with a certificate of recognition.

Cllr Frank Stennett, Cabinet Member for Growth, said:

**"Buying or selling a house is stressful. The professional pride of our service is making a difference in helping prevent further delays to sales so that people can move into their new home. I am delighted to see this independent national recognition for the professional excellence of our service."**

West Suffolk Council is one of several local authorities delivering an excellent local land charges service, since migrating to the Local Land Charges Register.

**West Suffolk**  
Council



# Upcoming events

Members of the Local Land Charges Programme will be attending a series of events in the coming months and we would love to see you there.

You can view the full list of events below:

Event	Date	Location
<a href="#"><u>Annual Mortgage Conference 2026</u></a>	8 July 2026	London
<a href="#"><u>Local Government Association Conference</u></a>	7 – 9 July 2026	Bournemouth



# The LLC Register cost savings

Since it launched in 2018, the LLC Register has

- saved customers over **£4.4 million** in search fees
- saved users an average of **12.7 days** to obtain an LLC search result
- migrated more than **9.1 million** charges from **157 local authorities** to the register.



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Figures accurate up to the end of May 2026

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# The national LLC Register – total number of searches

Since July 2018,  
we have recorded

**435,429** official  
searches

**1,982,290** personal (free)  
searches

**2,417,719** total searches  
of the register

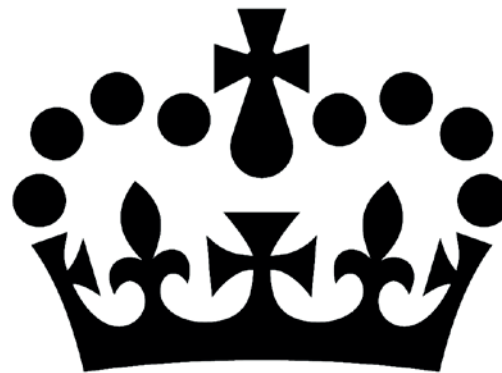
Search figures accurate up to the end of May 2026

# Useful links

- We have numerous [case studies](#) with top tips from previously migrated local authorities.
- The [Local Land Charges Programme](#) page has a list of local authorities who have migrated their data to the LLC Register and further details about the programme.
- [Migrating your local land charges service](#) provides all the migration information local authorities need.
- [Practice guide 79: Local Land Charges](#) explains how to change the register, obtain searches and the compensation protocol for LAs in live service.
- To access the LLC Register, you can [search for local land charges on land and property](#). Business customers can also access it through their portal accounts or Business Gateway.

The [local land charges news](#) page will keep you updated on:

- important updates
- monthly newsletters
- case studies
- blogs
- webinars



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