Why should parish and town councils use digital mapping data to improve the way they represent and deliver services to communities

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"80% of an organization's data has a location component."

Esri, Reveal More Value in Your Data with Location Analytics, 2012

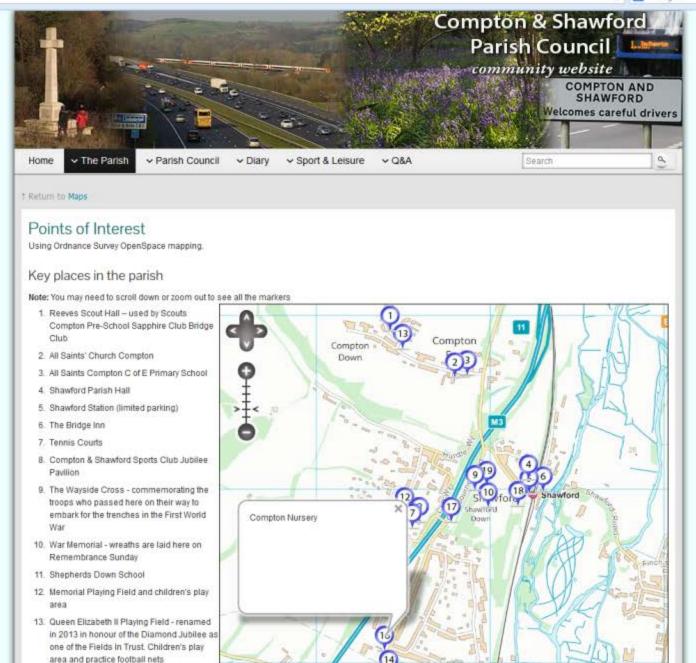




John Snow, 1854 Cholera, Broad Street, London



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Ordnance Survey partner solution allows effective management of town council cemetery

Since Chesham Cemetery opened in 1858, Chesham Town Council has relied on hand-drawn, inaccurate maps, which led to inaccuracies in the number of plots that were thought to be available. By managing its cemetery more effectively using Ordnance Survey's large-scale mapping, the council has created new grave spaces and identified a potential new income of £12 000.

'Digital mapping has enabled us to record our cemetery in greater and more accurate detail than ever before. The technology saves our staff time, both in the office and on site at the cemetery. But it is also hugely beneficial to members of the public, as we can now provide them with maps to help them locate the graves of their loved ones.'

Kathryn Graves, Policy & Projects Officer





Allotments







Land ownership – the village green

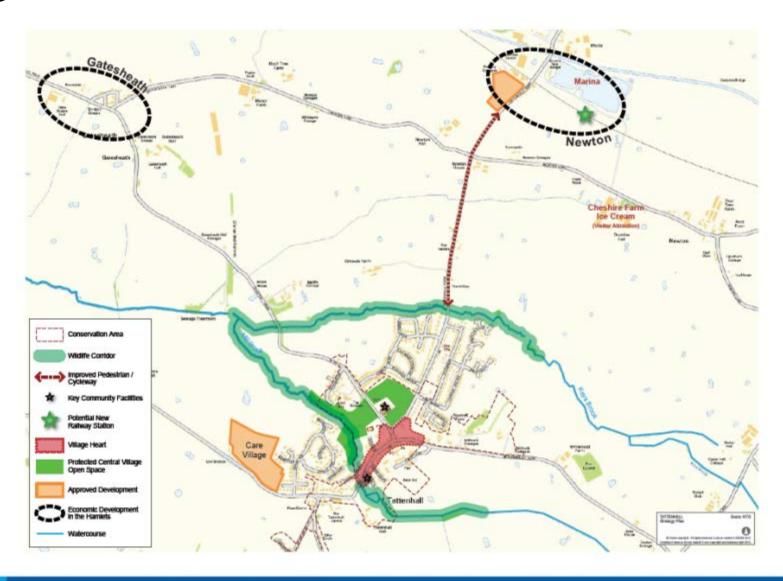
Histon Village Green



Neighbourhood Plan Consultation

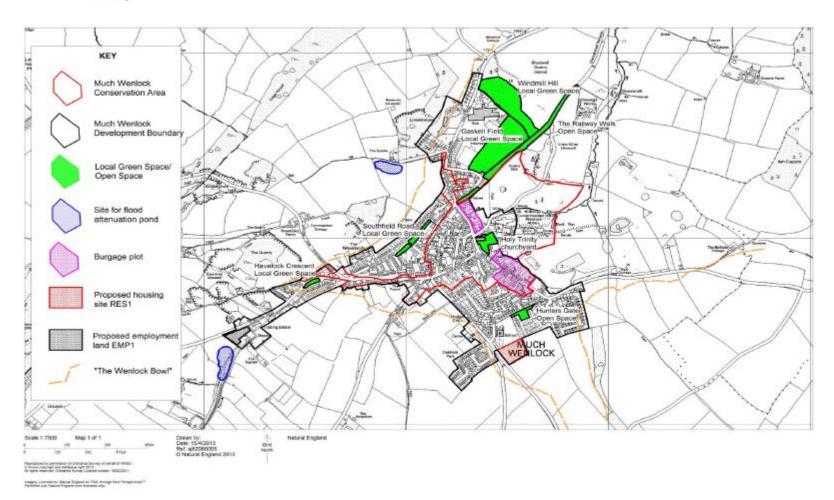


Neighbourhood Plan



Neighbourhood Plan

Much Wenlock Neighbourhood Plan Town Map



Grouping Consultation results

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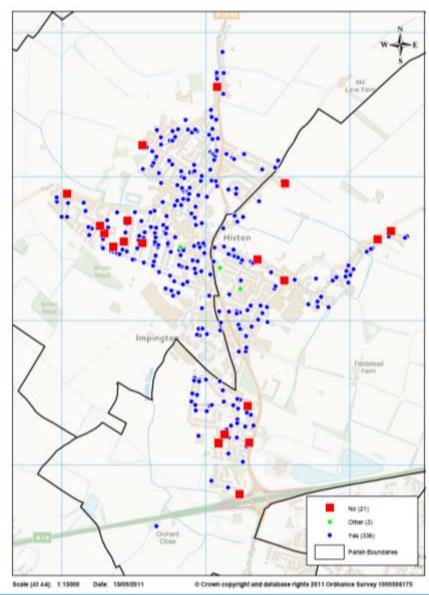
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The Public Sector Mapping Agreement

What is the PSMA?



 10 year, Crown to Crown agreement to provide free at the point of use for the public sector to Ordnance Survey's 10 most detailed products

Runs to March 2021

 Sits alongside the OS OpenData agreement giving access to a further 11 products

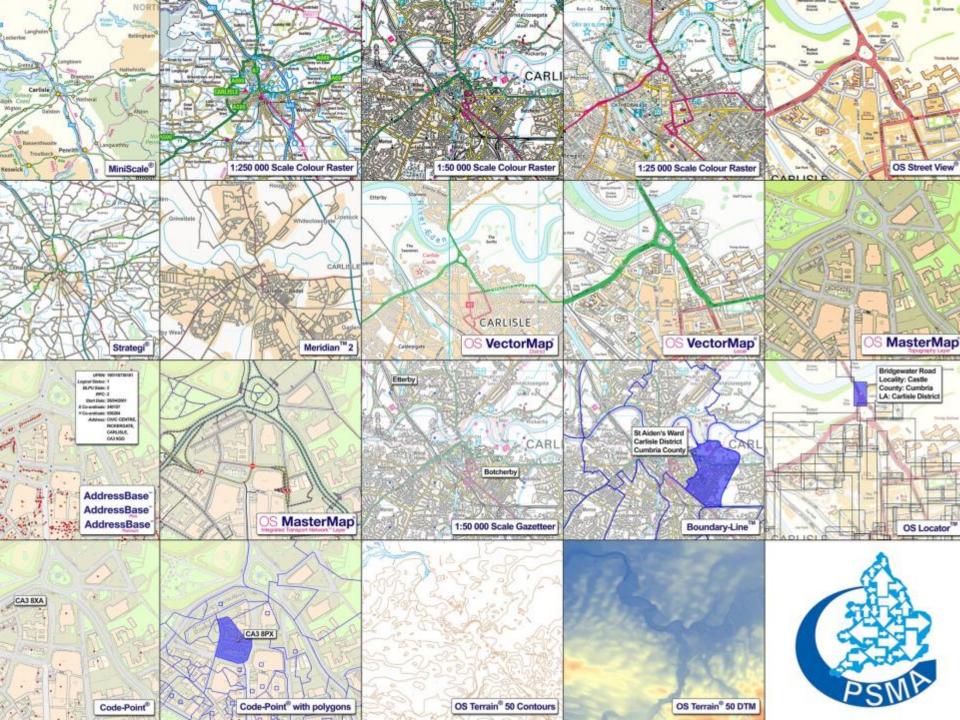


What does it give you?



- Free access
- Electronic maps & addressing data*
- Free to use for your core business/public task
- Data (GI) sharing with Councils, Central
 Government bodies if they are willing

^{*} This is enabled in part through the PAF Public Sector Licence with Royal Mail



The tools - software solutions

Specifically for Local Councils

- Parish Online (<u>is.gd/Onb6Uo</u>)
- Pear Technology (<u>is.gd/pXT22u</u>)

Free/Open Source

- QGIS (http://bit.ly/1tflkSD)
- Cadcorp Map Express (http://bit.ly/15KqWv9)

On your PC already?

- MS Office
- Photo packages such as Photoshop, Paintshop Pro, etc.

Commercial general purpose

- ESRI ArcGIS (http://www.esri.com/)
- Pitney Bowes MapInfo (http://www.mapinfo.com/)
- Cadcorp (http://www.cadcorp.com/)
- lots of others









Why do I need it, there are plenty of maps on the internet!



Summary

- Maps are a powerful and effective way of showing information, of communicating place
- With real use to, and being used by, Local Councils (see the OS case studies is.gd/5tiW4q)
- Quality, definitive, map data from Ordnance Survey is available, for free, through the PSMA
- The software to use that data is easily available, and can be low cost (or even free)
- We no longer use handwritten minutes so why use hand drawn maps?





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