

Statement of Intent on Responsible Data Sharing

To meet the needs and expectations of the capital's fast growing population, we, as London's public sector organisations, must make the most of the best assets, tools and methods at our disposal.

We recognise that data is one of our most valuable assets, and the tools and methods associated with it can help us improve services, make smarter decisions and better support our communities.

We also acknowledge that many of London's most pressing challenges, from homelessness to air pollution, and from congestion to violent crime, transcend borough boundaries. To address those challenges, our data must be able to transcend those boundaries, too.

It is for that reason that we believe in the power of sharing data - both with each other and, where possible, the public - responsibly, legally, ethically and securely, for the benefit of all Londoners.

To achieve this, we commit to **working together** to:

1. Practise the highest standards of data ethics, privacy-by-design and transparency in our work so that citizens can have complete trust in how their data is used.
2. Design and deliver projects that address citizens' real needs as they see them so that they are the primary beneficiaries of the use of their data.
3. Harmonise our approach to information governance so that the rules around data sharing are applied in a clear and consistent manner.
4. Explore and adopt common data standards in areas where they can enable better collaboration so that it is easier to link and use data across London.
5. Publish high-quality open data in formats that are easy to read and use by both humans and machines so that our data can be accessed, used and ethically re-purposed by anyone.
6. Make our open data (or the meta-data that describes it) available via the London Datastore so that Londoners do not have to search multiple sources to find the information they need.
7. Work with technology vendors and outsourced providers to guarantee full and free access to our data so that we can ensure it is used for citizens' benefit.
8. Ensure that all new technology that generates or collects data in public spaces uses open standards so that non-personal data can be shared and made available at a London level.
9. Train our staff with data skills so that every employee has at least a basic level of understanding of how to use data to enhance their work.
10. Develop our common talent pool of advanced data skills, such as in data science and information governance, so that we can use data to tackle our biggest social and public service challenges.

OTHER MATERIALS USED TO CREATE THE TEXT ABOVE...

London is distinctive – a diverse collection of communities with different characteristics, strengths and needs that are supported by local government. But local government shouldn't be working in isolation from the wider London context. It makes sense for boroughs to collaborate because technology and data deliver the most value when scaled and shared.

Our collective vision is to see a future where London's public sector organisations can thrive in the digital era. This will be supported by LOTI which is committed to helping London boroughs work together, bringing the best of digital, technology and data to meet the needs and expectations of London's fast-growing population and improve public services for Londoners.

We are looking to proactively harmonize our approach to IG

To achieve this, we:

- Our commitment is to make better use of the data sharing process, we can make efficiencies we can improve decision making, plan change and drive improvements in quality and performance.....so that...
- We commit to the principle of 'building once and sharing often'. so that data is more readily available as a resource for use across LOTI boroughs, enabling us to draw on this data for cross functional projects, to undertake analysis and develop intelligence to support a range of purposes. It can also support a common approach to consider how new data sources can be incorporated for appropriate processing and use.
- or we can make efficiencies and cost savings in its re use and avoid the development of multiple, duplicative sources that can create uncertainty as to the 'correct' source and undermine the value of the information and intelligence generated.
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- We will promote consistency to drive quality of service and efficient use of data and data sharing. so that...
- We will strengthen London's ability to innovate, build common capability and scale-up digital and data innovation across our public and support services. so that...
- We will foster radical and effective ideas for the benefit and protection of our citizens and businesses. so that...
- We will focus on delivering real-world outcomes, not as technology evangelists but as real-world pragmatists. We want to deliver something we care about because this is what matters to Londoners. so that...
- We will form a collective sharing network – allowing the innovative use of data to tackle our biggest social and public service challenges, a framework for safe, ethical and secure use of data that will bring direct benefits to our people, places and services. so that...

- We will build our shared capability amongst the boroughs to improve London's capacity to experiment, collaborate and secure all sorts of important benefits for Londoners enabling the city's ability to work together more effectively. **so that...**

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****Add something about protection of data and ethical use of data sharing*

Appropriate access to data can help shape public SERVICE programmes, manage the operation of services and model future demand. It can guide the joint planning and integration of health and social services; support research and innovation that generates evidence and insights to inform policy and practice; and improve individuals' participation in and experience of support services.

Sharing and use of data already happens at both national and local levels to support a range of purposes, including quality improvement, audit, planning and reporting on performance.

However, we can do more. Data is a critical tool for enabling efficient and effective public services, and its sharing and use is recognised as a key means to prudent service delivery. The rapid advances in technology and data interrogation methods continue to expand the ways in which knowledge and intelligence can be extracted from data to help transform local services. The adoption of new approaches, such as predictive analytics, 'Big Data' are already posing questions for the way in which we manage and share data.

Key Priority Areas

- 1. Developing a more transparent framework for how we manage, use and share**
- 2. Putting in place the digital solutions to ensure that information is available as a resource for use at national and local levels, by consolidating and building on existing data flows and management.**
- 3. Developing the skills and resources required to realise the full value of the data we hold.**
- 4. Improving the data collection and quality**

Principles for Sharing and Use of Data

1. *Individuals have a right to know how data about them is being used*
2. *Data should be collected once, used many times*
3. *Data is an asset and should be used*
4. *Data should be managed effectively and transparently*
5. *Data should be fit for purpose*
6. *Public Data should be made available*

Reference sites

<http://informationsharing.org.uk/data-sharing-framework/>

[Link to Statement of Intent Gov Wales](#)

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Change is already starting to happen in London. Now we need to organize ourselves more strongly around achieving the potential that lies untapped in sharing the data and simplifying the process to access that data across LOTI boroughs, as well as in the talents we can group around it.