

# Great Britain

## Unlocking the value of Geospatial

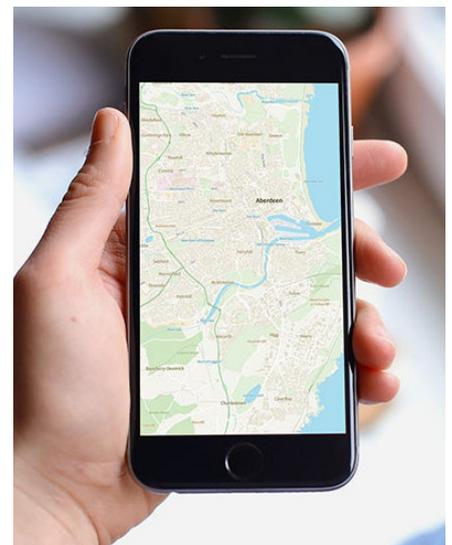
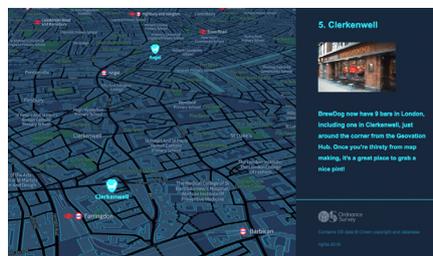
Ordnance Survey's key priorities have focused on discoverability, accessibility and usability over the past 12 months.

This has been in support of the, recently formed, Geospatial Commission objective to unlock up to £11 billion in extra value for the UK national economy each year.

Fundamental to meeting the objective is making key parts of OS MasterMap more accessible to start-ups, demonstrating OS's and the government's commitment to making the UK the best place in the world for innovative companies to turn data into ground-breaking new products and services.

An example of the economic benefits of geospatial data are being highlighted through Geovation. OS, with support from HM Land Registry, has played a leading role in delivering this ambition with its Geovation Hub. Since opening, the Hub has provided 84 fledgling businesses with specialist business support and funding through its programme. The Hub has been responsible for the creation of more than 200 new jobs and has helped the businesses involved secure in excess of £23 million in extra investment funding.

At the start of 2019 OS made its data even more accessible and easier to use with the release of OS Open Zoomstack,



a map making toolkit for developers. OS Open Zoomstack is the first release out of the Open MasterMap Implementation Programme.

In addition to the OS MasterMap programme, OS is working with the Geospatial Commission, and its other five partner bodies, to make it easier for

users to discover the data held by each organisation. In 2019 six catalogues were published listing the data each organisation holds. The OS catalogue alone holds over 1,200 datasets, ranging from rivers to roads.

2019 promises to be an exciting year with the global recognition of the value of geospatial data at an all-time high.