Unlocking the potential of public sector information

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A simple vision:

“...that citizens, consumers and government can create, re-use and distribute information in ways that add maximum value.”

Ed Mayo, Tom Steinberg
What is PSI?
WWW
An evolving policy landscape

Engage in partnership with user-led online communities

Respond effectively to changes in the market for public sector information
The commercial use of public information (CUPI)

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The Power of Information:
An independent review by Ed Mayo and Tom Steinberg

This report sets out the vision of the external market and how to deliver a sustainable framework for government policy.

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Barriers to re-use

Is the information a re-useable form?

Can I re-use it?

What’s available?
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“Public task” information creators

Mapping Agency

Met Office

“By-product” information creators

Government Departments

Executive Agencies

Local Authorities
A PSI Jigsaw

- Maps
- Postcode
- Points of Interest
- Satellite
Enabling public services reform

Internal re-use

Realising wider economic and social value of public sector information
Government embracing citizen’s complex needs encouraging Information re-use and exploitation enabling easy to create, easy to find, easy to use government, parliamentary and other public sector information