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**Programme Update**

Our aim to get a ‘minimum viable product’ Rail Data Marketplace available for limited use toward the end of the summer remains on track. Over the last month, the team has been making great progress with the procurement for the platform, evaluating the excellent responses from our final 4 bidders.

User research to understand the needs in respect of the commercial aspects of RDM has been underway recently and if you would like to contribute or have views on the topic, please get in touch with us. We would love to hear from you.

We are starting to identify some data sources which might be candidates for our MVP and launch. We hope that these will come from a variety of different publishers, so if you have data which might benefit our sector and beyond please get in touch. We will share more in the coming months.

We would like to thank all of those that have contributed to our user research to date, and below you will find a link to the insights that we drew from those sessions as well as another opportunity to contribute to the design of the RDM. We hope that it will make interesting reading.

**Events**

**Rail Innovation Exhibition**

The Rail Innovation Exhibition 2022 is a hybrid event, taking place in person in London and online, to showcase some of the most exciting innovations and projects the rail sector has to offer.

**Venue:** etc. Venues, 133 Houndsditch, Liverpool Street, London. EC3A 7BX  
**Date:** 22 March 2022  
**Time:** 0900-1630
**RDM Attendees:** Hayden Sutherland – Project Architect, Clare Morrissey – Commercial Lead

https://ktn-uk.org/events/rail-innovation-exhibition-2022/

**GEO Business**

Geospatial Technology: shaping the future for everyone involved in gathering, storing, processing and delivery of geospatial information  
**Venue:** Excel, London, E16 1XL  
**Date:** 18 & 19 May 2022  
**Time:** 0900-1700  
**RDM Attendees:** Hayden Sutherland – Project Architect, Others tbc.  
https://www.geobusinessshow.com/

**Excellence in Passenger Transport**

Technology for a Smarter Journey  
**Venue:** The Chesford Grange Hotel, Warwick. CV8 2LD  
**Date:** 18 & 19 May 2022  
**Time:** 0900-1700  
**RDM Attendees:** Hayden Sutherland – Project Architect, Others tbc.  

If you would like us to give an update on the Rail Data Marketplace at events you are hosting, please get in touch.

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**Survey: Data sets and Benefits**

To further understand what you expect from the RDM we’ve launched a new survey. If you have a few moments, we’d really appreciate your feedback. It takes around 5 minutes to complete and all your feedback goes towards making a service that meets your expectations.

You can find the survey here: https://www.research.net/r/RDMSurvey0322
User Research Insights

Thank you to all those that took part in our user research. To see our findings, please use the following link to access our RDM webpage and follow the ‘Find out more - insights from our user research’ link: https://www.raildeliverygroup.com/our-services/rail-data/rail-data-marketplace.html

Data Quality Pitfalls

We are keen to share external papers to spread news of what good practice looks like, this paper on data quality assessment pitfalls peaked our interest and hopefully yours, please follow the link to find out more.

How you can avoid the risks of a poor outcome when measuring the quality of your data?

Data quality assessments establish if the data is fit for its purpose. It is the foundation for improving data quality. In this article, we will look at what you should not do if you want to get a better understanding of the quality of your data.

A data quality assessment is a process of evaluating data and measuring it against selected quality criteria such as completeness and validity. It also includes analysing the cause and impact of quality problems and sharing the findings. In order to tackle data quality problems in the right way, you need a robust and sound assessment process.

If your assessment is not good enough, you may think that data is good quality when it is not or vice versa. Making the wrong assessment may lead to the wrong actions being taken and that will have an impact on your organisational outcomes.

To read more, please use the following link: Data quality assessment pitfalls - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)
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