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What are the current challenges faced by land registries?

Greater expectations

- From governments: to deliver wider policy objectives.
- From citizens: to deliver online, highly accessible and available services.

Technology is not the barrier.

Key policy questions.

To determine how land registries meet the challenges the following key policy questions need to be addressed,

- 1. Core purpose or wider markets?
- 2. Free, cost-recovery or commercialisation?
- 3. Privacy or publication?
- 4. Ease of use or security?

1. Core Purpose or Wider Markets?

Gather and record additional data

Electronic Conveyancing

Adjacent registers

2. Free, cost-recovery or commercialisation?

Free and open data

Cost-recovery or commercialisation.

Stimulate economic growth or privatisation?

3. Privacy or publication?

The right to privacy

▶ The public good - "Ownership also has a social function".

The new Era of Transparency.

4. Ease of use or security?

On line, quick and simple.

Identity verification.

Redesigned services.

Next steps

Exciting time for land registries.

Own the agenda.

Lead the change.

Thank-you!