## East Lindsey District Council joins HM Land Registry's Local Land Charges Register

HM Land Registry's digital Local Land Charges Register continues to grow, enabling the digital transformation of homebuying.

From today (Friday 26 June), anyone requiring local land charges (LLC) searches in the local authority area of East Lindsey District Council will need to get them from HM Land Registry rather than going directly to the council.

Jade Dicrosta, Senior Local Land Charges Officer at East Lindsey District Council, said:

Most of our local land charges data was held in paper and digital formats. With HM Land Registry's support, we were able to update and enhance over 70,000 local land charges before migrating the data to the central <u>online LLC Register</u>, despite the challenges of lockdown. We are pleased to have completed this migration while working remotely thanks to the fantastic efforts of both East Lindsey and HM Land Registry staff.

East Lindsey District Council is proud to be helping our citizens by improving the home buying process across our district at such a crucial time.

Karina Singh, Director of Transformation at HM Land Registry, said:

In migrating East Lindsey's local land charges to the national register during this lockdown period, we have underlined our commitment to delivering this pioneering digital service. I'm proud that our successful collaboration has resulted in local land charges search results being instantly available in the East Lindsey area, which will help the recovery of the local property market.

Local land charges searches are normally required in the property-buying process. Most local land charges are restrictions or prohibitions on the use of the property such as planning permissions or listed buildings. The local land charges search will reveal whether a property is subject to a charge which then informs a buyer's decision to buy a property or parcel of land.

HM Land Registry is working in partnership with a number of local authorities in England to migrate their Local Land Charges data to a central, digital

register as part of a phased approach. Once migrated, anyone will be able to get instant online search results via GOV.UK using the <u>Search for Local Land Charges</u> service.

HM Land Registry's business customers can use their existing portal and Business Gateway channels or their usual search providers to access Local Land Charges data for those local authorities which have migrated.

Customers will need to continue to submit CON29 enquiries to the local authority.

Watch our short video for an overview of the service.

For more information, read about the <u>Local Land Charges Programme</u>.