AGENDA

NAPTAN Technical Working Group

21 October 2020 (From 1000-1200)

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As you may have heard, the Department for Transport is redeveloping the NaPTAN (and NPTG) service. We have conducted some initial research and concluded that it needs to be more reliable and adaptable so it can continue to be useful, now and into the future. Due to the age and design of the system, incremental improvements are not practical, so we are planning to completely rebuild the service.

This presents a great opportunity - we can learn from what has happened in the past and use this to help shape the future. We have already identified a number of improvements we would like to see in the system setup and administration. We now want to hear from you – the NaPTAN ecosystem – so that we can work collaboratively to design a system that works for everyone.

We are bringing this group together to facilitate open and collaborative discussions about the technical elements of the redevelopment. We want to ensure that all interested parties have an opportunity to contribute to the conversation and would welcome your virtual attendance. We hope to run these sessions monthly to begin with, depending on levels of interest. If you can't attend but would still like to contribute your thoughts, please get in touch by emailing naptan.nptg@dft.gov.uk.

In the first session we propose that we will cover:

1. Introductions

2. Setting the scene – highlights of work done to date, aims and vision for Naptan/NPTG

3. How we expect these sessions to work

4. Discussion on key themes:

    4.1. Data upload preferences (FTP, SFTP, API)

    4.2. Schema versions

    4.3. Reporting suspected errors in data

5. AOB

6. Next Meeting