



# WHAT IS THE SPATIAL HUB?

The Spatial Hub is a resource which provides a single point of access to quality assured Scottish local authority data in a consistent format. It is developed, operated and managed by the Spatial Information Service within the Improvement Service.

Individual local authorities provide datasets to the Spatial Hub where they are conflated into a standardised format and published as a national dataset. The benefits are:

#### For local authorities

- Saving local authorities time, money and effort as it removes the need to develop their own portals to publish data as required under the INSPIRE directive.
- Reducing the resources required by individual authorities to answer Freedom of Information requests regarding spatial data.

#### For commercial organisation and members of the public

- Providing easy and efficient access to consistent national layers of local authority data.

The Spatial Hub provides access to the following 26 datasets:

Air Quality Management Areas	Employment Land Supply	Polling Places
Alcohol Prohibition Areas	Green Belts	Recycling & Waste Facilities
Article 4 Directions(Planning)	Historic Environment Records	School Catchments
Car Parking	Housing Land Supply	Smoke Control Areas
Community Council Boundaries	Local Landscape Areas	Street Furniture
Conservation Areas	Local Nature Conservation Sites	Town Centres
Contaminated Land	Local Nature Reserves	Tree Preservation Orders
Core Paths	Planning Applications	Vacant and Derelict Land
Council Asset Register	Polling Districts	

More datasets will be added over time so please check the Spatial Hub website at [www.spatialhub.scot](http://www.spatialhub.scot) for news about available datasets and for further details and announcements.