Annual Report of the Directors to OpenStreetMap UK CIC Ltd for 2018-2019

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPANY'S ACTIVITIES AND IMPACT

We have grown our membership to 99 (95 regular and 4 corporate)

We designed an OSMUK-branded HiViz Surveyor jacket and made it available for sale to members. This is an aid to members when mapping for security and safety and also helps promote OSMUK.

We organised 4 Quarterly Projects: updating the Post Office network, adding public rights of way, improving address coverage and using Food Hygiene Rating System data to improve retail coverage. These help to generate community cohesion by simultaneous working and problem-solving on the same task and help to address shortcomings in OSM map data.

In collaboration with ODI Manchester we organised a half-day introduction to surveying and editing map data branded as Joy Diversion. This brought members together to learn from each other and also to attract new members

We received a Waylens Camera donated by Telenav which was made available to members on loan. This is a resource which greatly enhances the capacity to capture survey data and to date we have covered 2,269km of UK roads capturing 162,675 photos. This data is available on openstreetcam.org for any mapper to use.

We have assisted several UK organisations who wished to assist OpenStreetMap by donating data and/or use OpenStreetMap by entering their data. Consultations have involved Fairer Falkirk, the National Trust and TfL, where project discussions are ongoing. The most significant of these was the preparation, in conjunction with the ODI, of a submission to the GeoSpatial Commission. All this work assists the members in raising the profile of their work, getting their data used and in the future providing them with more data and resources to aid their mapping activities.

As a result of this activity, several organisations then wished to contract services in order to complete a specific project. The largest of these that was completed was mapping the new campus for the University of Northampton, which OSMUK completed as a paid contract, no other party having taken up the offer.

As a result of this experience we created a Talent Directory for members to advertise their skills. We now have 21 people listed there and it is actively being used when organisations are seeking contracted assistance with OSM, with several members having obtained contracts.

OSMUK was also involved in on-the-ground assistance with St Albans Unlocked on a voluntary basis.

We continue to have discussions about co-operation, resource provision and data donation with several commercial and government organisations.

CONSULTATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS

The company's stakeholders are its members and consultation is permanent via our online discussion community at loomio.org. All proposals are discussed here and where necessary an online poll is conducted.

Notable examples:

Our Quarterly Projects are discussed and decided here.

The design of our HiViz jacket was discussed and decided here.

NOTE

The format of this report copies that of the annual report we are legally obliged to return to the CIC Regulator (Form CIC34).