



GeODC/Lovell Johns Partnership Wins Wiltshire County Council Contract

A partnership between data capture specialist GeODC and digital mapping expert Lovell Johns has secured a contract with Wiltshire County Council to capture essential planning, highways and land charges records. The contract, thought to exceed £200,000, covers the capture of 70,000 textual records and 19,000 plans and will form the building block for a countywide project to meet e-Government and e-Planning targets, improve customer service and support internal IT improvements.

Approximately 70,000 documents comprising Planning Applications, Highway Development Control Consultation, Advanced Payment Code, Legal Agreement Files and Local Land Charges records, together with an estimated 19,000 associated plans, will be captured during the course of the 12 month data capture project. The project will deliver this information for insertion into a new geographical information system (GIS) based IT Planning System from CAPS Solutions. This will enable the Council to meet central government targets for electronic delivery of council services and information and improve public access to the planning system.

"To support the ongoing improvement of our ICT infrastructure, feed the growing demand for information from both internal and external customers and meet our statutory obligations, it was essential that this data capture project was undertaken to the highest possible standards," said Gerry Chequer, Local Plans and Development Control Manager at Wiltshire County Council. "The partnership between GeODC and Lovell Johns gave us the right mix of expertise and experience coupled with knowledgeable, helpful and friendly personnel, all at the right the price."

Lovell Johns is a GIS and cartographic services company with over 40 years experience of providing solutions to a wide range of private and public sector organisations. An approved supplier of GIS Data Capture Services under the Office of Government Computing Buying Solutions Catalist (formerly S-CAT) procurement service for government, Lovell Johns also holds a GIS Framework contract to provide end – to end GIS services to the European Commission. The range of services includes Project Management, Data Capture and Conversion, GI Audit and Consultancy, Software Development, Database design and Application Development.

GeODC is a specialist data capture and conversion company providing a range of services for the GIS and Local Government market. The company is a partnership between Oxford Data Capture Ltd and Genesys International Corporation, combining Oxford Data Capture's reputation in providing flexible data capture, conversion and consultancy projects in the UK with the global data generation, manipulation, management and maintenance

facilities of Genesys. GeODC have more than 25 years experience delivering data solutions to both public and private sector organisations.