Implementation of an ‘Open Data by default’ data policy by UK Government – Benefits and Challenges

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UK Experience

- 2010: UK Government implements an ‘Open Data by default’
- >30,000 UK Open Data accessible via www.data.gov.uk
- 2017: UK is currently ranked first in the Open Data Barometer
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The Open Data Barometer
A global measure of how governments are publishing and using open data for accountability, innovation and social impact.

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- Licensing
- Cultural
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- Operational Benefits...
Water Monitoring

- We need to reduce spend
- We want to take a more risk based approach
- We need to work more in partnership at a local, catchment level.
Waste Crime

Waste crime is a big environmental and social problem. We want to identify waste crime accurately and fast enough for us to act, but we have not got the people. How do we use technology to minimise impact – and ideally avoid it before it happens?
Thank You

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