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Dear Sean

Response to your official information request

Thank you for your official information request received on 10 July 2022 for “any documentation you have in relation to plans to make the LINZ Data Service web visualiser usable on mobile devices. Please include any correspondence you have with Koordinates, the mapping service provider as well as any internal plans that Koordinates has.”

Background

The LINZ Data Service (LDS) runs on version 7 of the Koordinates platform which, as you have identified, was not designed to be used on mobile devices.

Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand (LINZ) regularly provides suggestions to Koordinates Ltd about possible enhancements based on feedback from LDS customers.

Documents released

Please find attached the information you have requested:

Documents	Context
2016-03-29 Request to Koordinates #8076 2018-06-19 Request to Koordinates #10723	Screenshots of LINZ’s enquiries to Koordinates, and their responses, regarding customer requests for mobile device compatibility
2019-09-17 LINZ Koordinates emails re LDS development – Kx <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LINZ Attachment 1 – data discoverability • LINZ Attachment 2 – Export status feedback • LINZ Attachment 3 – LDS favourites 	Koordinates refers to making the product “fully responsive”.

Please note, this correspondence refers to suggestions for the functionality of the next version (at that time) of the Koordinates’ platform user interface, version 8 (v8).

We understand that the development of Koordinates v8 ceased due to a global change in user interface technology direction and resource scarcity.

Koordinates v10

Koordinates Ltd is currently building a new user interface. Ed Corkery, Chief Executive Officer of Koordinates Ltd, has confirmed that Koordinates v10 will be 'fully responsive'; that is, desktop-tablet-touch-mobile friendly.

Koordinates v10 is in testing with a subset of customers now. Ed would be very happy to discuss with you in more detail the functionality of Koordinates v10 - you can contact him via koordinates.com/contact.

We are anticipating that the LDS will transition to the new user interface later this year when we are confident that the platform meets the needs of our customers.

If you wish to discuss this further, please contact Vicki Lindsay, Manager Open Data and Reuse at vlindsay@linz.govt.nz.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response to your request. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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Nic Donnelly

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