

Community &
Communications

OSM

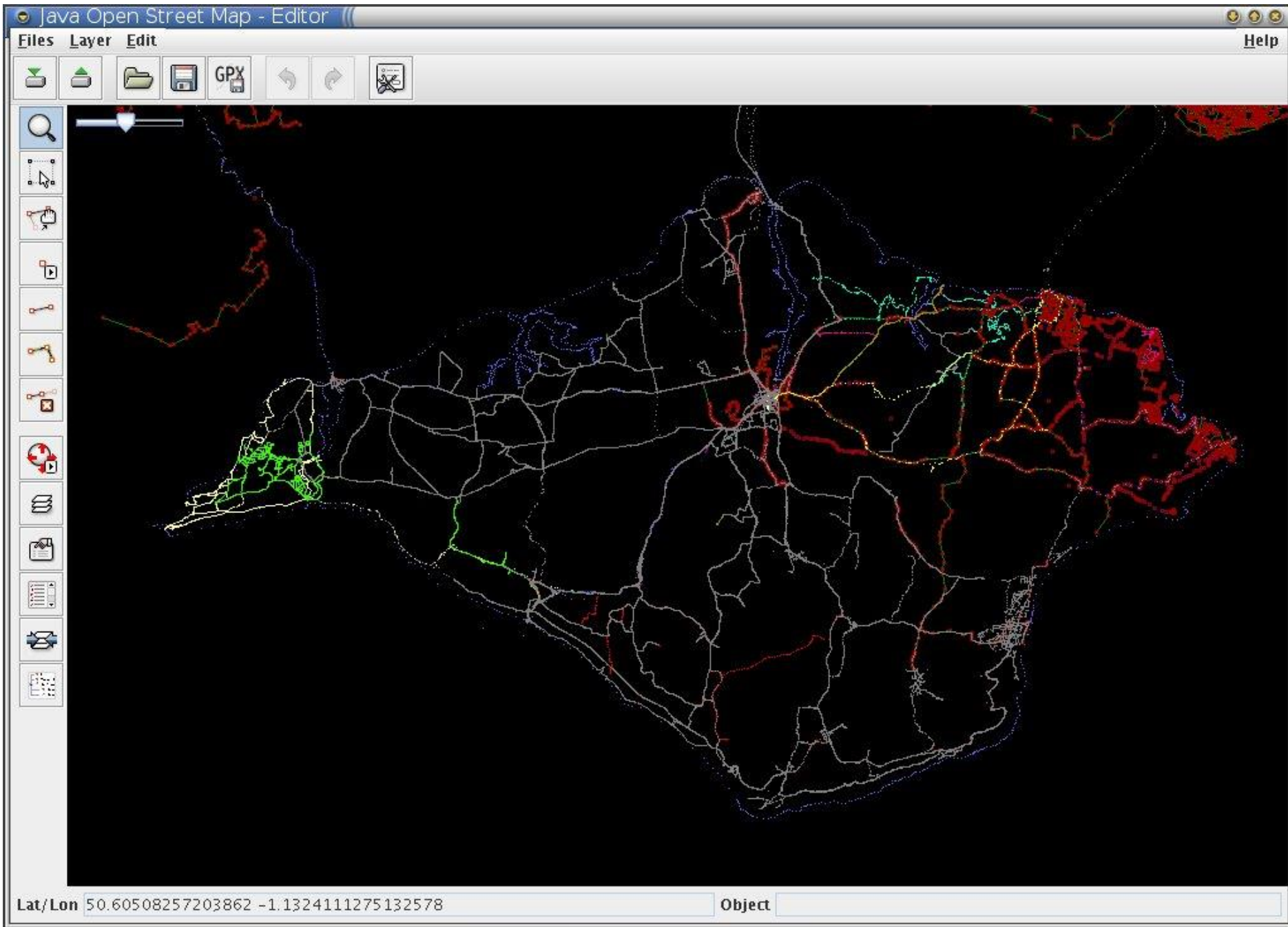
Brief History of OSM

History



- OpenStreetMap was started in 2004 by Steve Coast. Steve, living in the UK, was frustrated by the lack of free UK Ordnance Survey map data. While most commercial maps were okay, the data was locked up.
- Steve sets out cycling around London with a used GPS device, writing down street names and entering the data into an open source database.
- First Mapping Party in 2006 captured the streets on the Isle of Wight.
 - Predates the access to imagery (Yahoo! Imagery was used from 2007 to 2011)
 - Data gathered by driving, cycling, and wandering around
- Today
 - More than 4 million registered users
 - 4.1 billion nodes
 - Over 40,000 Active Contributors per Month







Communications

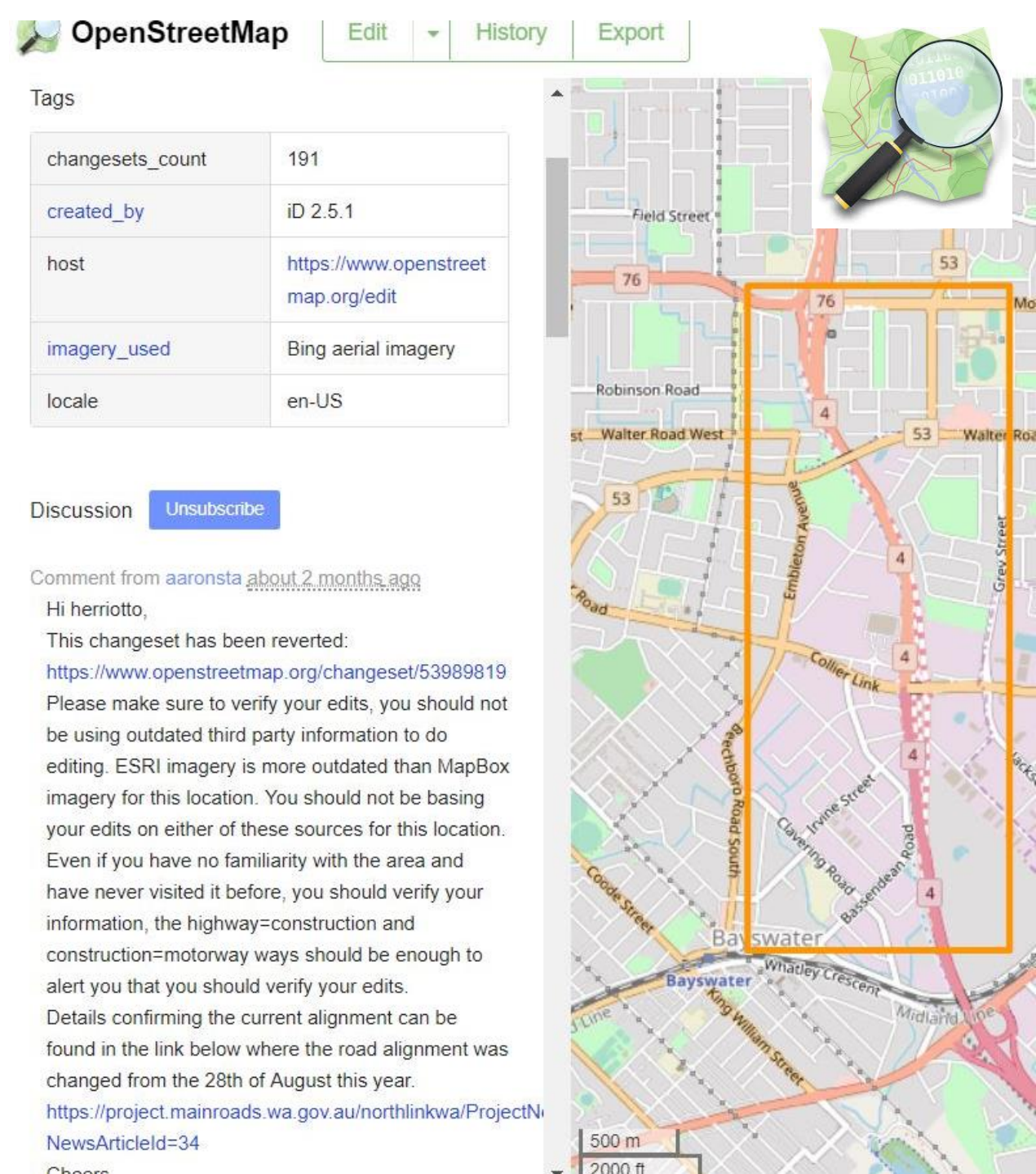
Successful and respectful relationships with the OSM community will be fundamental to the success of our project. The primary ways we will interact with the OSM community is through:

- Changesets and comments
- Direct messaging
- Talk lists
- OSM Forums
- Social media platforms
- GitHub
- Slack

Changesets

- A changeset consists of a group of changes by a single user over a short period of time. It can be new elements, new tags, changes to existing values, etc.
- Changeset discussions are comments and replies alongside the details of the changeset. They serve as an excellent place to welcome new users and discuss a changeset with the user that added it, and the OSM community.
- Use cases for [Changeset discussions](#):
 - Welcome new users.
 - Leave positive feedback.
 - Ask questions about controversial edits.

- [Example](#)



OpenStreetMap

Edit History Export

Tags

changesets_count	191
created_by	iD 2.5.1
host	https://www.openstreetmap.org/edit
imagery_used	Bing aerial imagery
locale	en-US

Discussion [Unsubscribe](#)

Comment from [aaronsta](#) about 2 months ago

Hi herriotto,

This changeset has been reverted:

<https://www.openstreetmap.org/changeset/53989819>

Please make sure to verify your edits, you should not be using outdated third party information to do editing. ESRI imagery is more outdated than MapBox imagery for this location. You should not be basing your edits on either of these sources for this location. Even if you have no familiarity with the area and have never visited it before, you should verify your information, the highway=construction and construction=motorway ways should be enough to alert you that you should verify your edits. Details confirming the current alignment can be found in the link below where the road alignment was changed from the 28th of August this year.

<https://project.mainroads.wa.gov.au/northlinkwa/ProjectNewsArticleId=34>

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Lists

- These are public mailing lists to sign up to in order to follow topics, subject that are of interest to you
- OSM
Au talklist (<https://lists.openstreetmap.org/listinfo/talk-au>) (Also join the group relevant to the area you are most familiar with)
eg. <https://lists.openstreetmap.org/listinfo/talk-us-pugetsound>
- Forums to see -
 - What are current challenges in the map.
 - How do people contribute to the conversations.
 - What new sources are available to reference.

OSRM-talk	Mailing list to discuss Project OSRM
Outdoor-natural	outdoor and natural features
party	[no description available]
Photon	Photon Geocoder
Photos	Discussing photography with mapping, and OpenStreetView
Potlatch-dev	Potlatch development
rails-dev	Discussion of rails port (web site) development
Rebuild	NO LONGER ACTIVE. Temporary forum for technical discussion
Routing	[no description available]
Science	Discuss anything science related in the OpenStreetMap ecosystem
Sotm-asia	Planning for SotM Asia
Strategic	Fundraising, planning and strategy for OSMF
Tagging	Tag discussion, strategy and related tools
Tagging-fr	La liste de discussion OSM francophone sur le tagging
Taginfo-dev	Taginfo Development
talk	OpenStreetMap contributor and user discussion
Talk-af	OSM Afghanistan
Talk-africa	OSM in Africa
Talk-al	OpenStreetMap mailing list of the Albanian speaking community
Talk-ar	OpenStreetMap Argentina
Talk-at	OpenStreetMap AT



Forums

- It is important to be aware of how OSM users communicate and the relevant groups/sites/lists that are used by OSM contributors. Below is a list of some groups to join:
- <https://forum.openstreetmap.org/>
- Forums to see -
 - Q&A from various topics, with helpful and responsive contributors.
 - Good to follow conversations in Country specific communities, and contribute.
 - What new sources are available to reference.



Social Media

- Slack provides some great up to date channels to communicate with other mappers. You can select conversations and channels to take part in, in real time, and build relationships.

- Slack groups for AU:

- OSM Slack group

(<http://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Slack>)

- Another slack group of 1600

people <http://thespatialcommunity.org/>

- Slack Maptime group for AU [request access

link] <https://bit.ly/maptimeau>

- Maptimeaustralia.slack.com

General group chat



Subject threads

#foss4g-sotm-oceania
☆ | 20 | 0 | Add a topic

Maptime Australia is on a roll
Your team's now 47 members strong, with 2766 messages sent across 9 channels. You can track your team's progress via the main menu.
[Show Me](#)

just part of the logical progression toward FOSS4G Australia / FOSS4G New Zealand / FOSS4G Pacific Islands -> with larger regional conf being FOSS4G Oceania 😊
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December 11th, 2017

alexkaz 11:55 AM
joined #foss4g-sotm-oceania.

December 22nd, 2017

aharvey 12:27 AM
when the sponsorship options come up I'd be interested in sponsoring SOTM in some way

John 2:10 AM
Awesome! That'll hopefully be something we get cracking on early in the new year...

Yesterday

alex 5:35 PM
It's time for another meeting, hey folks?
Everyone back on deck for the year?!

John 5:36 PM
howdy! i've had a nice relaxing break, ready to plough back into it 😊
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+ Message #foss4g-sotm-oceania @ 🗿



Thread
ed, Andrew Davidson, and you

But I want a more scalable way to see what type of things were added. # of Nodes deleted, created, modified etc

Oisinh 3 days ago
there are buttons in osmcha that allow you to filter by nodes, ways, relations and whether they are created, modified, deleted. Another tool with very similar functionality but you may find the features you want is <http://osmlab.github.io/changeset-map/>

Oisinh 3 days ago
In this tool you can narrow down edits by city, locality, bounding box, etc. I just started getting into it 😊 Delightful!

Oisinh 3 days ago
apologies - the select by location i mentioned was in osmcha in the filter options

ed 24 hours ago
Thanks @Oisinh. Maybe I'm not using it right, but I wanted to quickly getting figures on these types of numbers. Looks like OSM Cha helps you to drill down, but not to quickly tally totals on different filters.
E.g. I want to count how many nodes were created with "XXX" as the changeset comment.
Of those, what were the most popular tags.
Basically what OSMCha is doing in the backend.

Andrew Davidson 1 hour ago
@ed you're going to have to roll your own to get that level of detail.

Reply... 🗿

How do you contribute? ([Link](#))

- www.hdyc.neis-one.org is a great place to see who is making what edits, where, when, discussions they are involved in, length of time in OSM, types of edits made, and comments they have left.
- Allows you to get a bigger picture of someone you are interacting with, and alerts you to people in certain areas who you could potentially reach out to for advice, local knowledge, etc.



Name: [herriotto](#)

Registered: November 01st, 2017

Active mapping days: 30 (43.5%)


Changesets: 437 ([w/ comments 4](#))

Map changes: 4 712

GPS-tracks: 0



Type? Casual Mapper (Regularly Active)

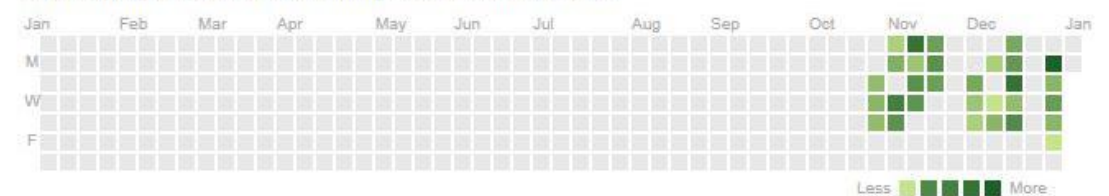
Recent changesets ([details](#)):  Australia 416

Recent ranks:  Australia #65

OSM Notes: Closed w/ comment 0 (w/o 0), commented 0 and 1 opened

Changeset discussions: Participated in 12 and [created 13 comments](#)

30 mapping days with 437 changesets in the last year



	Created	Modified	Deleted
Nodes	2 387	334	163
Ways	469	1 317	28
Relations	1	13	0
Ways with addr*	0	11	
Building	49	1	
Highway	410	1 319	
Landuse	1	4	
Name	210	1 232	
Natural	0	0	
Waterway	0	0	
Changesets	With comments 437 (100.0%)	Unique comments 85 (19.5%)	Median length 54.00
Comment-words:	name (373), added (220), from (210), data (173), website (134)		
Hashtags:	#kelani (3), #hotosm-project-3708 (3), #sri (3)		
Amount of map changes	<15 changes: 340 changesets	>15 <150 changes: 96 changesets	>150 changes: 1 changesets

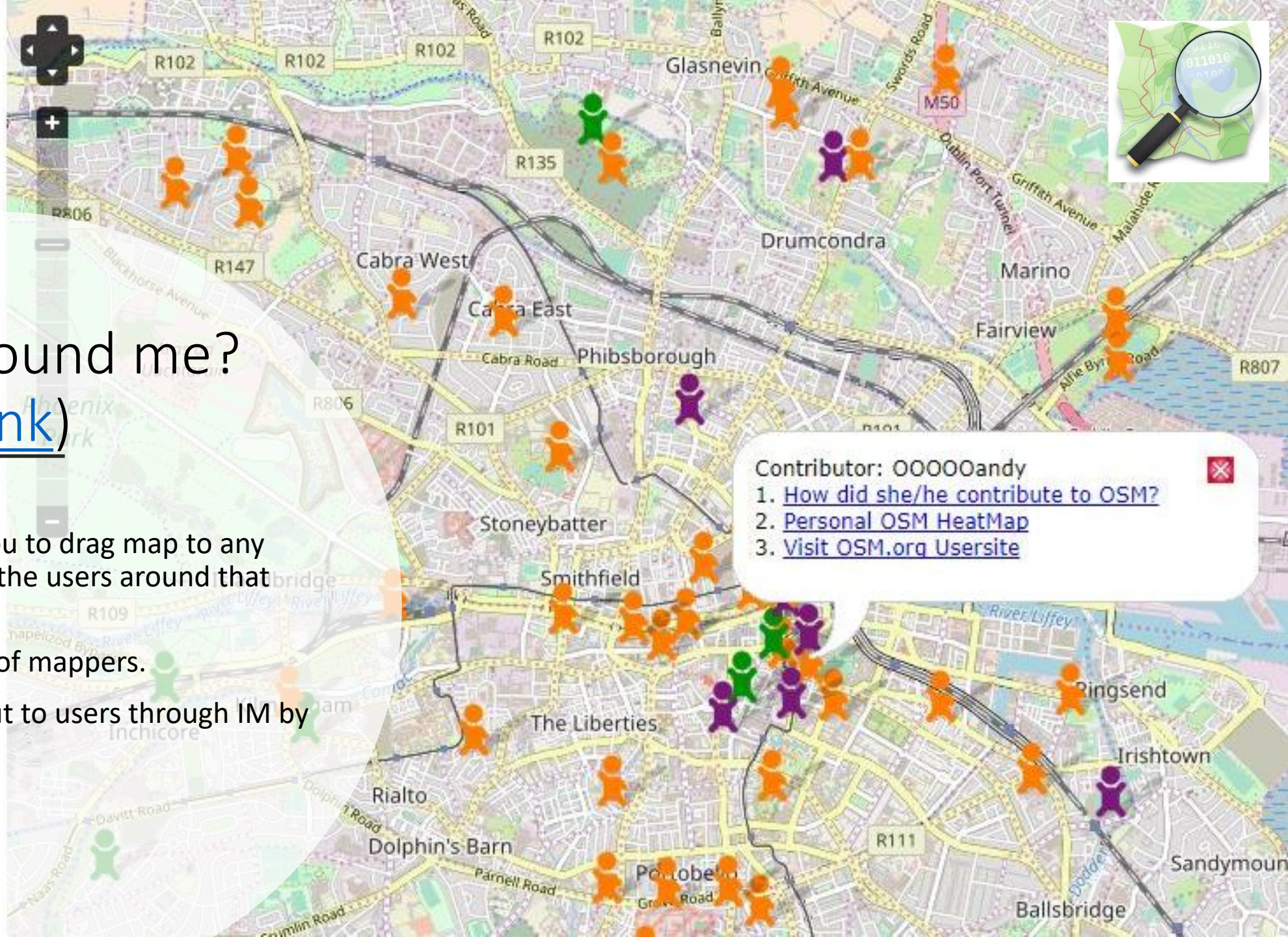
Main & latest (6 months) activity area - First created & latest changeset

Show Mapper-Types

-  New registered (1 Changeset)
-  Nonrecurring (<10 Changesets)
-  ☒ Junior (<100 Changesets)
-  ☒ Senior (<500 Changesets)
-  ☒ Senior+ (<2000 Changesets)
-  ☐ Gold (2000+ Changesets)

Who's around me? ([Link](#))

- Slippy map allows you to drag map to any area to see who are the users around that area.
- Filter by experience of mappers.
- Excellent to reach out to users through IM by osm profile.



GitHub – Ms Open maps

- [MS Open maps](#) on public repository.
- Open, transparent record of MS in OSM.
- Location for all projects, but using teams [OneDrive](#) as staging place before going public on projects.



To do

- Subscribe to mailing lists.
- Respond to comments on changesets within 24 hours.
- Reach out to power users/new users in area you are working in.
- Join slack channels.
- Follow regional/national/local discussions.
- Get involved and have fun!