



BUSINESS CHANGE UPDATE

Welcome to the next **special edition** of the Street Manager newsletter dedicated to **Business Change**. Following on from engagement with a number of you both online and at various events in the last few weeks, we have decided to extend this into a series focused on transition. It will aim to answer some of the most frequently asked questions around transition and provide the guidance needed for organisations to start formalising their transition plan.

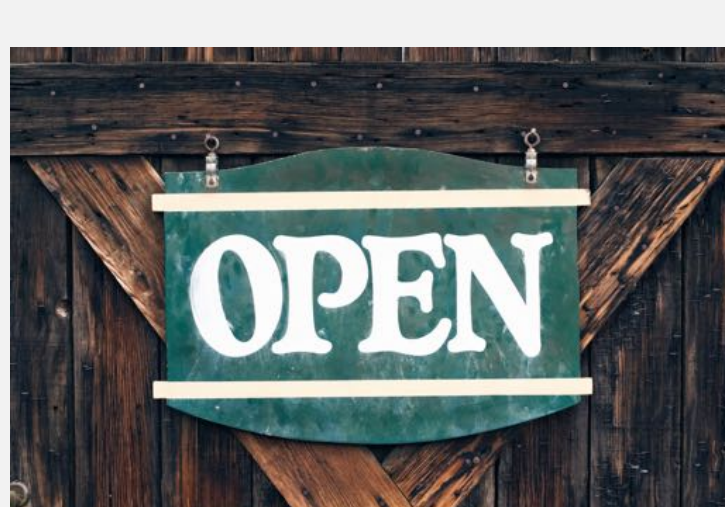
This edition will focus on **Public beta** - what does it entail, when does it start and what does it mean for you.

What is Public beta?



Public beta is the project phase during which Street Manager is open to every single organisation in the industry - everyone is welcome to join!

Public beta starts on **1 November 2019** - this is when the transition window opens. It closes in **March 2020**, after which point all works will be managed in the Street Manager environment.



Transition is voluntary before March 2020: so you can move to Street Manager whenever you are ready. However, we advise you to join and start testing as soon as possible as this will significantly benefit your organisation.

To encourage you to join early we will provide you with three environments:

- 1) **Sandbox** - this is used for testing with dummy data
- 2) **Preproduction** - this is used for dual-keying and used with real data as if it were the live system
- 3) **Production** - this is where it gets real. Production is the replacement for EToN and must not be used for dual-keying

What does Public beta mean for you?



From 1st November onwards, you can join Street Manager whenever you want using any one of the three system environments.

WHY JOIN EARLY?



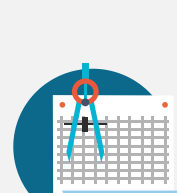
Test Street Manager: Even if you are not ready to move real works management to Street Manager, you can play in the Sandbox to get familiar with the system



Reduce risks: Rather than relying on a 'big bang' implementation, a more gradual approach will allow you to introduce the change in a less BAU-disruptive way



You do not have to move to Production unless you are ready - you can join Sandbox on 1st November, but you are not obliged to move to Production until March



The best way to prepare for the change is to know what the change is! Getting hands-on experience of Street Manager will enable you to plan with more confidence your transition

What actions should you take?

Testing

Once you are happy to join the testing environment, let DfT know and we will set you up.
Email: streetmanager@dft.gov.uk

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Communicate this to the organisations you interact with - this will help regional transition!

Go live*

Inform at least two weeks in advance both DfT and the organisations you interact with that you are moving to Production!*

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Once you've moved to Production, you will still be able to use Sandbox for testing and training purposes, so keep your login details handy.

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Conclusion



The key message is:

Take advantage of the opportunity to start testing Street Manager as soon as possible and communicate this to DfT and the others you work with - this will help both you and the industry.

We hope that the information in this newsletter is helpful in taking you a step closer to transition. Thank you once again for your continuous engagement and get in touch with us on streetmanager@dft.gov.uk if you have any questions.

We are now also available on Slack: [#businesschange](#)