AGS Data Format

Enabling BIM Modelling of the Sub-surface

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4 Questions

- What is BIM and why is it important?
- Why are our delivery expectations changing?
- Is AGS data format helping BIM?
- What could we improve?



AGS Experience

- 1996 Implemented AGS for an offshore CPT project in the Philippines
- 1997 Joined UK AGS Data Format Committee
- 1998 Founded Keynetix
- 2000 Co-authored AGS-M
- 2012 Autodesk Geotechnical Industry Partner (worldwide)



Q1: What is BIM and Why is it Important?



Building Information Modelling

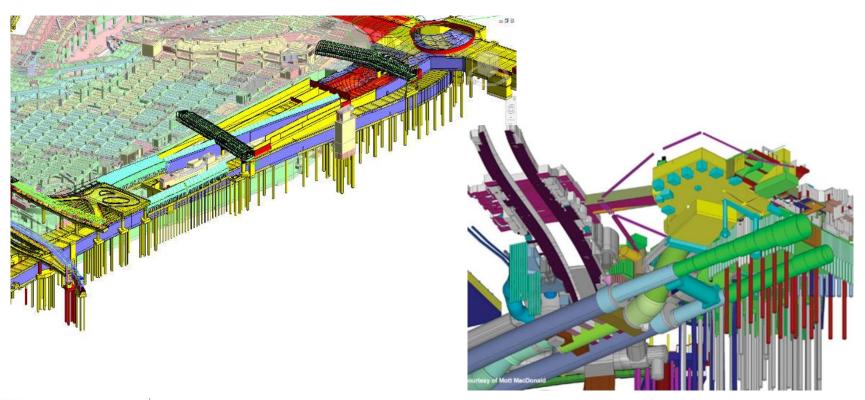


The Noun



The Verb

Where is the Geology?





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2015 Excellence in Infrastructure Winner

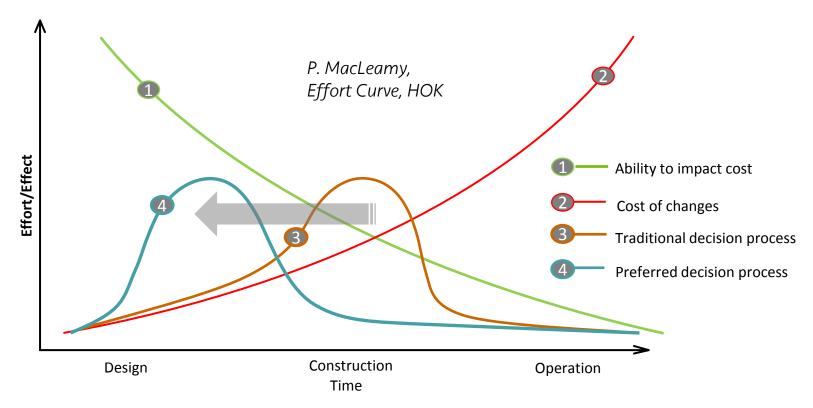


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Earlier Knowledge Reduces Risk





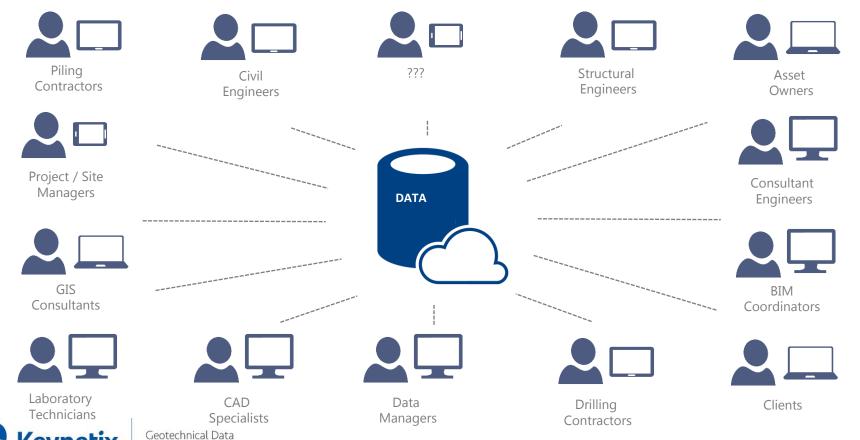
Early Site Investigation

"Early investigation allows the identification of any ground-related risks associated with a development so that they can be effectively managed and associated costs controlled"

AGS Guidelines for Good Practice in Site Investigation



Improve collaboration throughout the wider supply chain



Software Transformed

Key Components for BIM Process

- Data and Information
- Collaboration
- 3 Dimensions



"We've been doing BIM for years"?

We've Been Doing BIM Badly for Years...

Clients

"The clients never value the site investigation process"

Consultants

"The AGS data was delivered 3 weeks after the paper report"

Piling Contractors

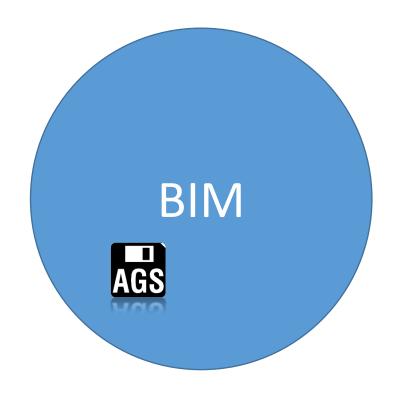
"We never get the AGS data"

Governments

"People rarely request AGS data"



AGS is a vital part of BIM





Q2 - Why are our delivery expectations changing?



Extinct?





Thriving?





Extinct?



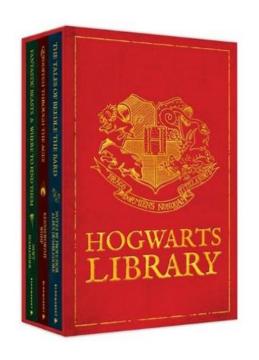


Thriving





Extinct or Endangered?





Thriving

CHAPTER I

THE year 1866 was signalised by a remarkable incident, a mysterious and puzzling phenomenon, which doubtless no one has yet forgotten. Not to mention rumours which agitated the maritime population and excited the public mind, even in the interior of continents, scafaring men were particularly excited. Merchants, common sailors, captains of vessels, skippers, both of Europe and America, naval officers of all countries, and the Governments of several States on the two continents, were deeply interested in the matter.

For some time past vessels had been met by "an enormous thing," a long object, spindle-shaped, occasionally phosphorescent, and infinitely larger

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Extinct or Endangered?





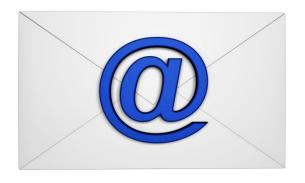
Thriving





Slow Communication





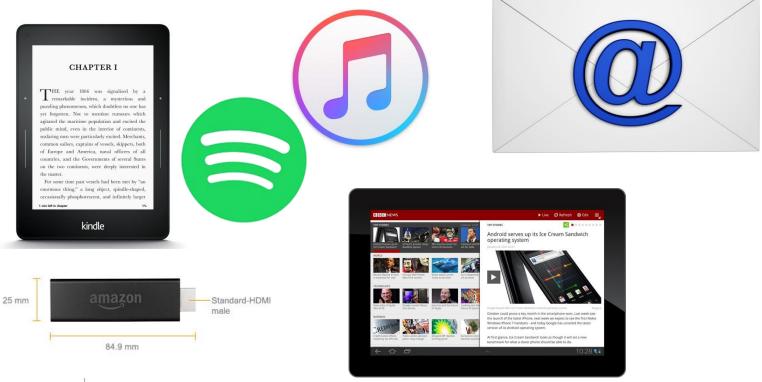


Yesterday's News





What Do These Have in Common?





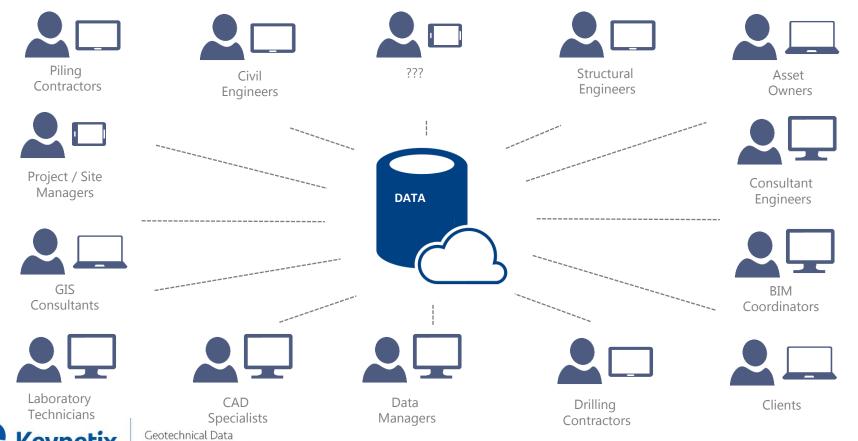
Speed of Delivery* & Self Service

* without reduction in quality



Self Service and Speed of Delivery

Software Transformed



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Q3: Is AGS data format helping BIM?



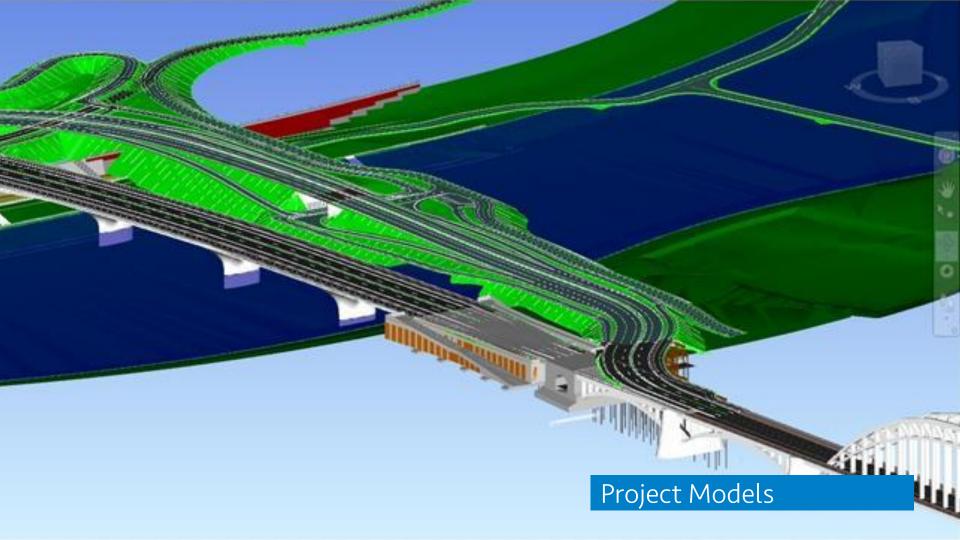
1. Build upon and refine previous knowledge

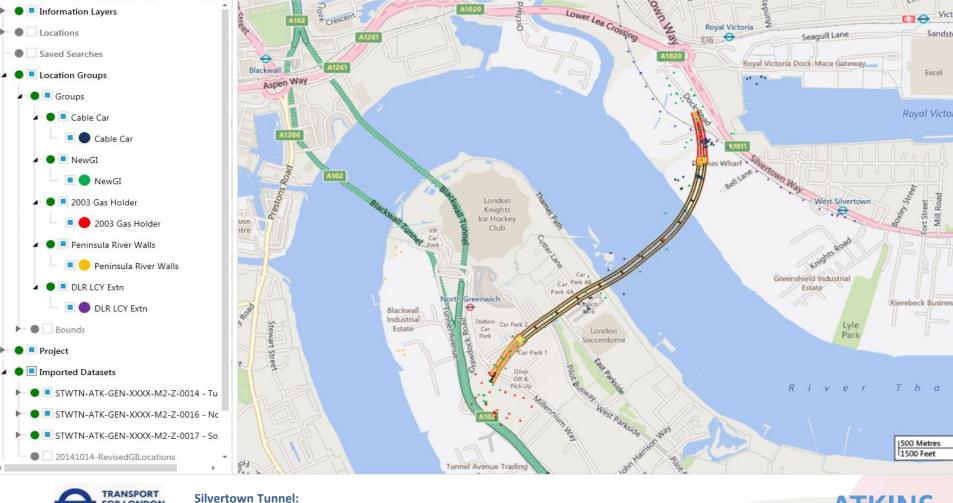
• Why start from Scratch?













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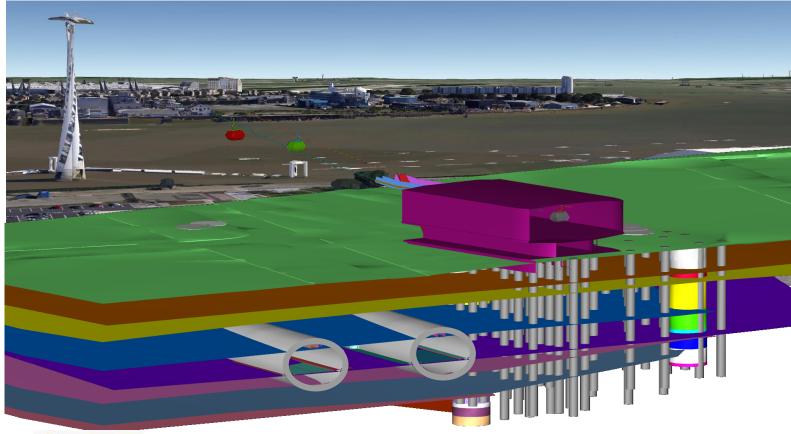
Silvertown Tunnel - Previous Investigations



- Docklands Light Railway
- Millennium dome
- Cable Car (same alignment as tunnel)
- Only needed 3 over water holes. (each one costing around £20,000)
- Estimated saving around £100,000









Silvertown Tunnel:

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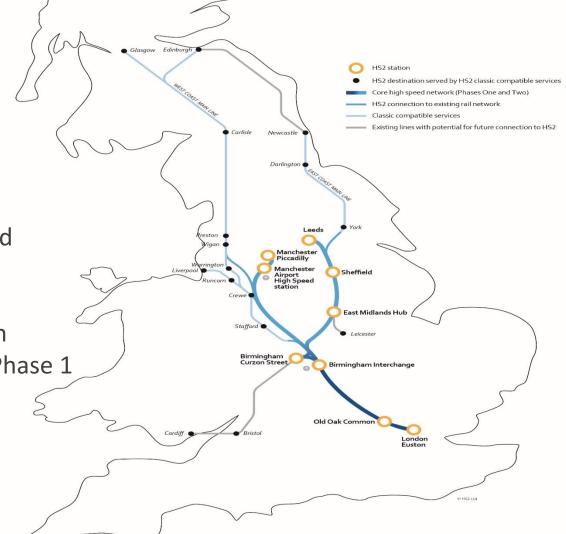
S engine for growth



Introduction...

- Two Phases
- Approximately 550 kilometres
- 400km/hour design speed
- 18 trains per hour
- Circa 20,000 seat/hour
- 60m gross tonnes/annum
- 700+ Design Elements Phase 1

Geotechnical Data





Ground Investigation Programme

£67m

PHASE 1 GI VALUE 58

GIDM TEAM

9

FRAMEWORK CONTRACTS

90+

WORK PACKAGES

9000+

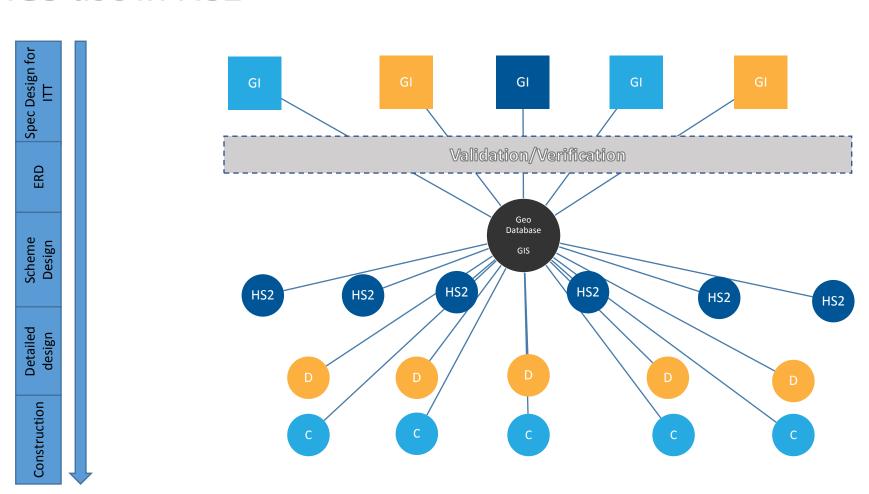
FIELDWORK LOCATIONS

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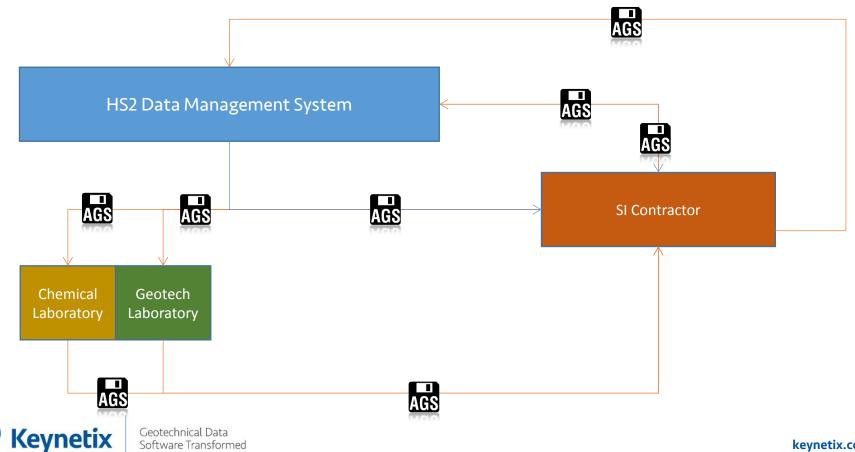
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WORKS STARTED



AGS use in HS2



AGS Data Flow



Q4: What Could we Improve?

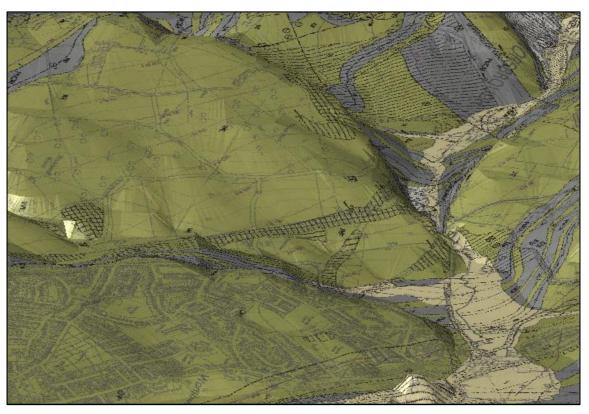


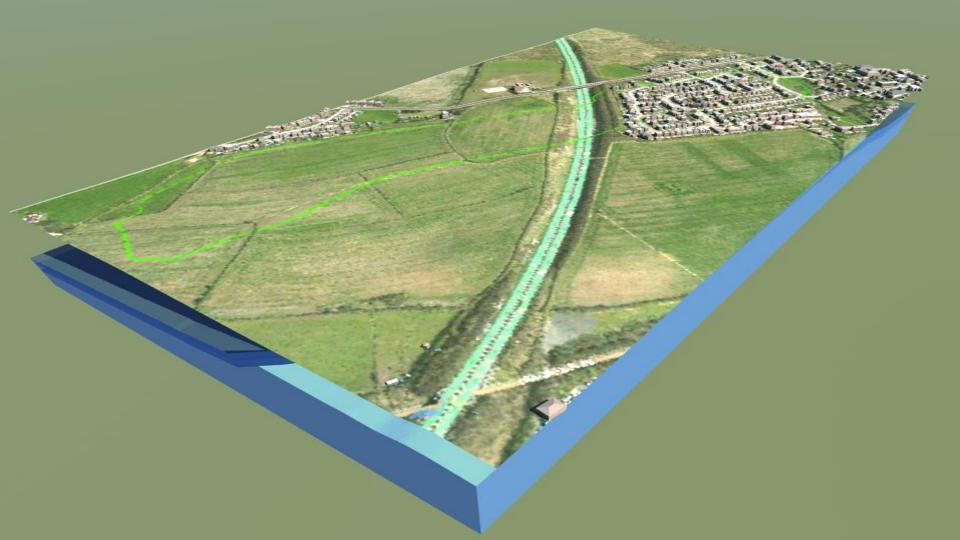
Using AGS and BIM to Help Your Client Understand Their Problem



Help Your Client Think in 3D











Rapid access to newly captured SI data



Rapid access to newly captured SI data

The golden rules

- 1. Enter data only once
- 2. Get someone else to do it

Log as close to source as possible and use electronic transfer







Hole ID Test Water Casing Test Depth Depth Type

Seating

1st Inc

Pen

1st Inc

Blows

2nd

Inc

Blows

Main Drive

Pen

2nd Inc 3rd Inc 3rd Inc

Blows

Pen

2nd

Inc

Blows

2nd Inc 1st Inc 1st Inc

Blows

Pen

Pen

SPT Results



M1 J19 – J16 – Smart Motoroway

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- 125 boreholes
- 31 "sites"
- SI design modified as work progressed

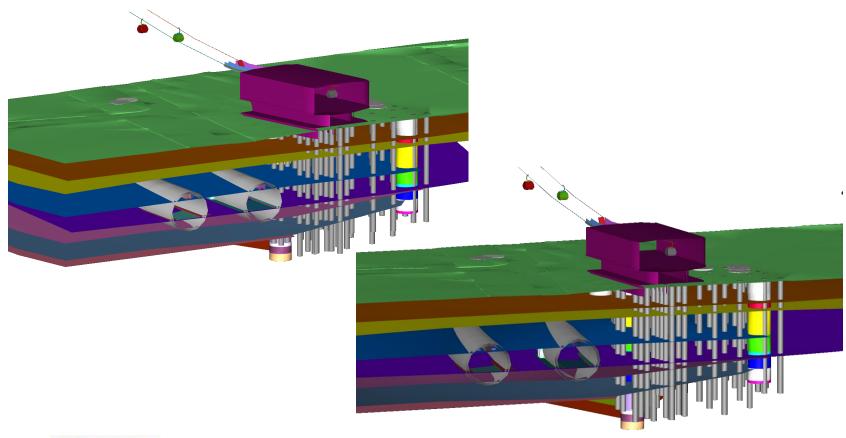




Better understand and visualise data in context

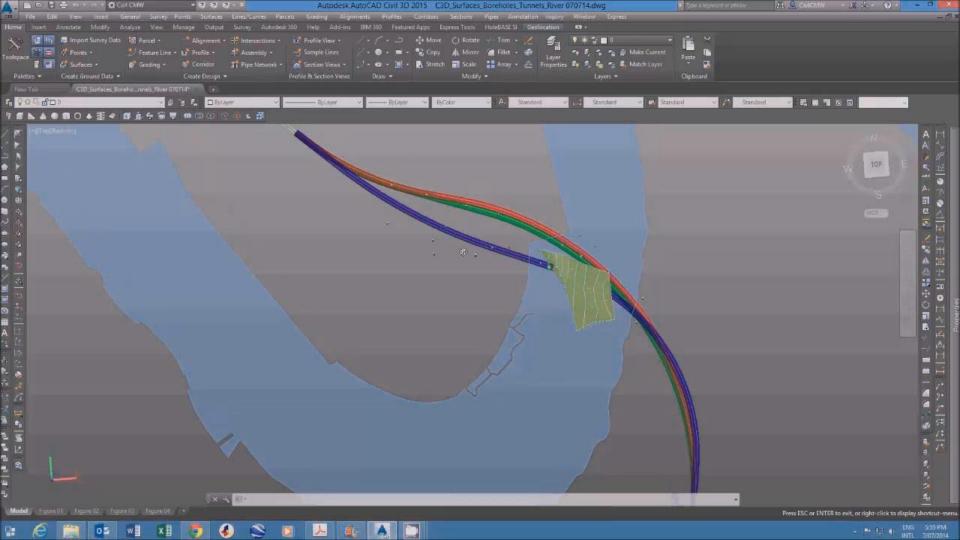








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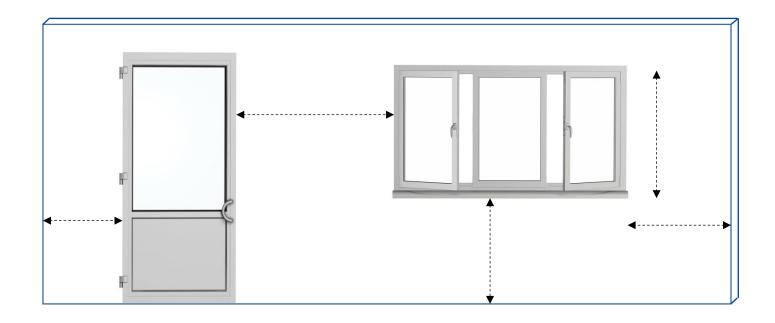
Better understand and visualise data in context

- Rapidly view down hole data
- In context with the proposed site plan
- Better understand were potential problems may occur

Communicate Uncertainty



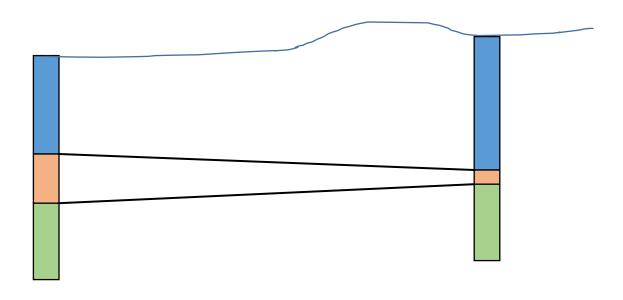
BIM Relationships



3 BIM Objects (1 x Window, 1 x door, 1 x Wall)



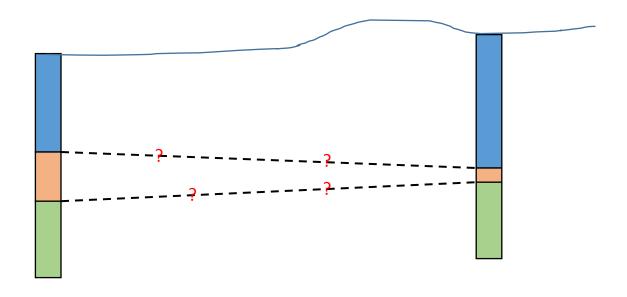
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8 BIM Objects? (2 x Boreholes, 6 x Layer Locations) 1 x Surface DTM



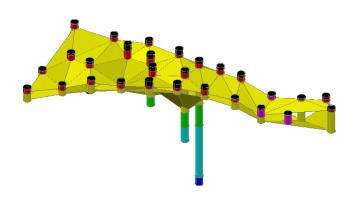
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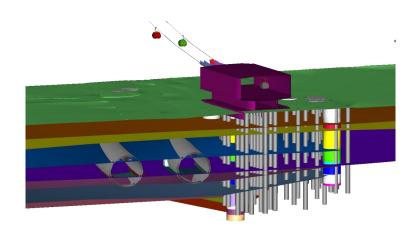


1 BIM Object (1 x section) ???



This Is Not Real





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The Role of AGS data in BIM



Providing timely AGS data for a BIM project is vital but only represents a small part of additional benefits of BIM

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