## Bluesky Aerial Mapping Makes a Flying Start to 2016



Aerial survey specialist Bluesky, UK, has announced the start of the 2016 flying season. Following a cold start to meteorological spring, warmer temperatures and below-average precipitation has allowed Bluesky to mobilise its dedicated fleet of aerial survey aircraft on more than 50 occasions. This start to the 2016 flying season has seen the capture of more than 20,000 square kilometres – equivalent to the size of Wales. In addition to aerial photography, Bluesky's survey planes have also been capturing data for the creation of detailed 3D height models and colour infrared imagery.

The 22,500 square kilometres, an area larger than the whole of Wales, captured to date include large parts of Northumberland and Snowdonia at 25-centimetre resolution as well as the urban areas of Birmingham, including Dudley, Wolverhampton and Solihull, and

Nottingham at 10cm and 12.5cm resolution respectively.

Bluesky will be showcasing its complete range of geographic data solutions at <u>GeoBusiness 2016</u>, which takes place on 24-25 May 2016 at the Business Design Centre in Islington, London.

Bluesky, in partnership with Getmapping, is a supplier of high resolution aerial photography, detailed 3D Digital Terrain and Surface Models (DTMs / DSMs) and Colour Infrared imagery to Central Government organisations under the multi-million pound Aerial Photography for Great Britain (APGB) contract. Setting a new standard for the capture of geographic data in Great Britain, Bluesky, with a three rather than five year update programme, plans to capture in excess of 60,000 square kilometres of data in 2016.

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