

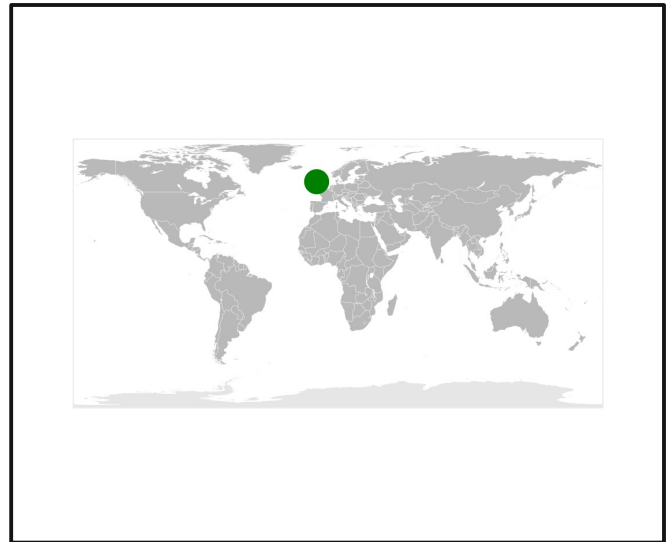
OSGeo United Kingdom Chapter Report for 2011

Key Accomplishments

2011 has been a great year for the chapter. It reached 150 members on our mailing list, up from 100 last year. The chapter is holding regular IRC meetings, which helped chapter members stay in touch. It helped to co-host the [OSGIS 2011 Conference in Nottingham](#), and chapter members presented at a number of other open source and geospatial events and workshops. This included the AGI ([Association for Geographic Information](#)) event.

The chapter has been improving the communication with chapter members and other interested parties through monthly IRC meetings and an official OSGeo:UK twitter account (@osgeouk). Members have also been busy promoting open source GIS through local Linux User Groups and other places.

The chapter has members on the board of the new [Open Source Geospatial Lab at the Centre for Geospatial Sciences in Nottingham](#), has two OSGeo Charter



Members, and the Chapter Representative was elected as an OSGeo Director.

Areas for Improvement

The chapter needs to continue raising the profile of open source geospatial software in the UK. It also needs to ensure that we take advantage of things like the UK Governments "open agenda". More chapter members and more opportunities to get together are always useful!

Opportunities to Help

The chapter is always on the lookout for new members, and new events to promote OSGeo. The chapter invites you to join the chapter mailing list and get involved!

Outlook for 2012

The outlook for 2012 is good. The

chapter's main focus is our bid to host [FOSS4G in the UK in 2013](#), which chapter members are very excited about. The chapter is also hoping to organize a joint event with Ordnance Survey, and to continue its strong association with the AGI and the [University of Nottingham](#). The chapter hopes to continue to gather more case studies about exemplar uses of open source geospatial software, and increase chapter membership to 200 people. The chapter also wishes to attract more companies to be part of the local chapter, and is investigating potential sponsorship options.