

The Future of Land Surveying in Ghana - “igniting the Interest in Land Surveying as a Profession in Our Kids and Young Pupils as They Choose Their Career Path”

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SUMMARY

Abstract.

Land Survey is an important action that needs to be done properly before any decision can be taken. It guides informed decisions. There is no way any proper developmental project can be executed without proper surveying of the land. The casualties that are bound to occur if proper land surveying is not done will not only cost individuals and countries financially but can lead to loss of lives. Land surveying simply means knowing the exact location of an object below, on, or above the surface with detailed information about the location such as its physical and cultural properties. This information is then drawn on a sheet of paper called a map for easy understanding and storage. The concept of land surveying makes us understand and know the borders of a piece of land, what infrastructure can be built on a certain piece of land, and the best location to site a particular infrastructure for easy accessibility and efficient usage. Having knowledge concerning a piece of land facilitates effective decision making. This in the long run prevents the waste of money and makes the infrastructure that has been built sustainable enough to serve many generations to come. But before we can achieve all this, we need to have individuals who understand our built environment and the need to preserve it. Citizens and individuals need to understand the need to survey their lands and children to also be able understand their environment. We need to have more than enough Land Surveyors so better educate, and collaborate to build a resilient, well planned and Sustainable Infrastructure. Hence there is a need to train more land surveyors to increase efficient planning and land use to the benefit of individuals, countries, and the globe as a whole.

This paper looks at a project called “THE YOUNG IN SURVEYING PROJECT”. This project aims to develop an interest in being a Land surveyor in kids and young pupils so that as they grow, they choose Land Surveying as their profession.

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