



**Federation of Shepherdswell CE  
and Eythorne Elvington  
Community Primary Schools**



# **Privacy Notice for Staff**

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Under data protection law, individuals have a right to be informed about how the school uses any personal data that we hold about them. We comply with this right by providing 'privacy notices' (sometimes called 'fair processing notices') to individuals where we are processing their personal data.

This privacy notice explains how we collect, store and use personal data about individuals we employ, or otherwise engage, to work at our school.

We, The Federation of Shepherdswell Church of England Primary School and Eythorne Elvington Community Primary School, are the 'data controller' for the purposes of data protection law.

Our data protection officer is the EIS Data Protection Officer:

DPO Services – [dpo@invicta.law](mailto:dpo@invicta.law)

### **The personal data we hold**

We process data relating to those we employ, or otherwise engage, to work at our school. Personal data that we may collect, use, store and share (when appropriate) about you includes, but is not restricted to:

- Name
- Contact details
- Date of birth, marital status and gender
- Next of kin and emergency contact numbers
- Salary, annual leave, pension and benefits information
- Bank account details, payroll records, National Insurance number and tax status information
- Recruitment information, including copies of right to work documentation, references and other information included in a CV or cover letter or as part of the application process
- Qualifications and employment records, including work history, job titles, working hours, training records and professional memberships
- Safeguarding information, DBS number, Disqualification by Association information
- Performance information
- Outcomes of any disciplinary and/or grievance procedures
- Absence data
- Copy of driving license and car registration
- Photographs
- CCTV images

We may also collect, store and use information about you that falls into "special categories" of more sensitive personal data. This includes information about (where applicable):

- Race, ethnicity, religious beliefs and sexual orientation
- Health, including any medical conditions, sickness records and disability status

For 'special category' data, we only collect and use it when we have both a lawful basis, as set out above, and one of the following conditions for processing as set out in the UK data protection law:

- We need to perform or exercise an obligation or right in relation to employment, social security or social protection law
- The data concerned has already been made manifestly public by you

- We need to process it for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims
- We need to process it for reasons of substantial public interest as defined in legislation
- We need to process it for health or social care purposes, and the processing is done by, or under the direction of, a health or social work professional or by any other person obliged to confidentiality under law
- We need to process it for public health reasons, and the processing is done by, or under the direction of, a health professional or by any other person obliged to confidentiality under law
- We need to process it for archiving purposes, scientific or historical research purposes, or for statistical purposes, and the processing is in the public interest

For criminal offence data, we will only collect and use it when we have both a lawful basis, as set out above, and a condition for processing as set out in UK data protection law. Conditions include:

- We have obtained your consent to use it in a specific way
- We need to protect your vital interests (or someone else's interests) in situations where you're physically or legally incapable of giving consent
- The data concerned has already been made manifestly public by you
- We need to process it for, or in connection with, legal proceedings, to obtain legal advice, or for the establishment, exercise of defence of legal rights
- We need to process it for reasons of substantial public interest as defined in legislation

### **Why we use this data**

The purpose of processing this data is to help us run the school, including to:

- Enable you to be paid including necessary deductions
- Facilitate safe recruitment, as part of our safeguarding obligations towards pupils
- Support effective performance management
- Enable sickness monitoring
- Inform our recruitment and retention policies
- Allow better financial modelling and planning
- Enable equalities monitoring
- Improve the management of workforce data across the sector
- Support the work of the School Teachers' Review Body
- To report to the DFE
- Fulfil our duty of care towards our staff

### **Our legal basis for using this data**

We only collect and use personal information about you when the law allows us to. Most commonly, we use it where we need to:

- Fulfil a contract we have entered into with you
- Comply with a legal obligation
- Carry out a task in the public interest

Less commonly, we may also use personal information about you where:

- You have given us consent to use it in a certain way
- We need to protect your vital interests (or someone else's interests)

Where you have provided us with consent to use your data, you may withdraw this consent at any time. We will make this clear when requesting your consent, and explain how you go about withdrawing consent if you wish to do so.

Some of the reasons listed above for collecting and using personal information about you overlap, and there may be several grounds which justify the school's use of your data.

### **Collecting this information**

While the majority of information we collect from you is mandatory, there is some information that you can choose whether or not to provide to us.

Whenever we seek to collect information from you, we make it clear whether you must provide this information (and if so, what the possible consequences are of not complying), or whether you have a choice.

Most of the data we hold about you will come from you, but we may also hold data about you from:

- Local authorities
- Government departments or agencies
- Policy forces, courts, tribunals

### **How we store this data**

Staff records are stored securely in paper files and on the school's secure server.

We create and maintain an employment file for each staff member. The information contained in this file is kept secure and is only used for purposes directly relevant to your employment.

Once your employment with us has ended, we will retain this file and delete the information in it in accordance with the Information and Records Management Society's toolkit for schools, available on request from the school office.

We will hold your personal information for 6 years in line with KCC's personnel retention record keeping guidelines.

### **Data sharing**

We do not share information about you with any third party without your consent unless the law and our policies allow us to do so.

Where it is legally required, or necessary (and it complies with the General Data Protection Regulation, otherwise known as the GDPR) we may share personal information about you with:

- Our local authority, to meet legal obligation
- The Department for Education, to meet legal obligation
- Your family or representatives with written consent, to protect your vital interests
- Educators and examining bodies, to fulfill a contract
- Our regulator, ESFA, to meet legal obligation
- Suppliers and service providers – to enable them to provide the service we have contracted them for, such as payroll
- Our auditors, to meet legal obligation
- Health authorities, to fulfill a contract
- Health and social welfare organisations, to meet legal obligation such as RIDDOR reporting
- Professional advisers and consultants, to fulfill a contract
- Police forces, courts, tribunals, to meet legal obligation
- Ofsted, to meet legal obligation

## **Transferring data internationally**

Where we transfer personal data to a country or territory outside the European Economic Area, we will do so in accordance with the GDPR.

In cases where we have to set up safeguarding arrangements to complete this transfer, you can get a copy of these arrangements by contacting us.

## **Your rights**

### **How to access personal information we hold about you**

Individuals have a right to make a '**subject access request**' to gain access to personal information that the school holds about them.

If you make a subject access request, and if we do hold information about you, we will:

- Give you a description of it
- Tell you why we are holding and processing it, and how long we will keep it for
- Explain where we got it from, if not from you
- Tell you who it has been, or will be, shared with
- Let you know whether any automated decision-making is being applied to the data, and any consequences of this
- Give you a copy of the information in an intelligible form

You may also have the right for your personal information to be transmitted electronically to another organisation in certain circumstances.

If you would like to make a request, please apply in writing, citing your reasons to the Headteacher

### **Your other rights regarding your data**

Under data protection law, individuals have certain rights regarding how their personal data is used and kept safe. You have the right to:

- Object to the use of your personal data if it would cause, or is causing, damage or distress
- Prevent your data being used to send direct marketing
- Object to and challenge the use of your personal data for decisions being taken by automated means (by a computer or machine, rather than by a person)
- In certain circumstances, have inaccurate personal data corrected, deleted or destroyed, or restrict processing
- Withdraw your consent, where you previously provided it for the collection, processing and transfer of your personal data for a specific purpose
- In certain circumstances, be notified of a data breach
- Make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office
- Claim compensation for damages caused by a breach of the data protection regulations

To exercise any of these rights, please contact the relevant Headteacher.

## **Complaints**

We take any complaints about our collection and use of personal information very seriously.

If you think that our collection or use of personal information is unfair, misleading or inappropriate, or have any other concern about our data processing, please raise this with us in the first instance.

To make a complaint, please contact our Data Protection Officer.

Alternatively, you can make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office:

- Report a concern online at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>
- Call 0303 123 1113
- Or write to: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

## Contact us

If you have any questions, concerns or would like more information about anything mentioned in this privacy notice, please contact the Headteacher in the first instance.

- Shepherdswell: Mr M Lamb – [headteacher@shepherdswell.kent.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@shepherdswell.kent.sch.uk)
- Eythorne Elvington: Mr N Garvey – [ngarvey@eythorne-elvington.kent.sch.uk](mailto:ngarvey@eythorne-elvington.kent.sch.uk)

*This notice is based on the [Department for Education's model privacy notice](#) for the school workforce, amended to reflect the way we use data in this federation.*