



PRIVACY NOTICE - GOVERNORS September 2024

Privacy Notice for Governors

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1. Introduction

Under UK data protection law, individuals have a right to be informed about how our 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 working with our school in a voluntary capacity, including governors.**

We, Rednock School, are the 'data controller' for the purposes of UK data protection law.

Our Data Protection Officer is Gloucestershire County Council, Schools Data Protection Team, Information Management Service, Shire Hall, Westgate Street, Gloucester, GL1 2TP – schoolsdpo@gloucestershire.gov.uk.

2. The personal data we hold

Personal data that we may collect, use, store and share (when appropriate) about you includes, but is not restricted to:

- Personal contact details such as name, title, address, telephone numbers and personal email address
- Date of birth
- Gender
- Occupation
- Start date
- Skills and experience
- Information acquired as part of your application to become a governor including copies of identity checks (Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service Check)
- Information about business and pecuniary interests

We may also collect, use, store and share (when appropriate) information about you that falls into "special categories" of more sensitive personal data. This includes, but is not restricted to:

- Information about any health conditions you have that we need to be aware of
- Information about disability and access requirements
- Photographs and CCTV images captured in school

We may also collect, use, store and share (when appropriate) information about criminal convictions and offences.

We may also hold data about you that we have received from other organisations, including other schools and social services, and the Disclosure and Barring Service in respect of criminal offence data.

3. Why we use this data

We use the data listed above to:

- a) Establish and maintain effective governance

- b) Meet statutory obligations for publishing and sharing governors' details
- c) Facilitate safe recruitment, as part of our safeguarding obligations towards pupils
- d) Undertake equalities monitoring
- e) Ensure that appropriate access arrangements can be provided for volunteers who require them

3.1 Use of your personal data in automated decision making and profiling

We do not currently process any personal data through automated decision making or profiling. If this changes in the future, we will amend any relevant privacy notices in order to explain the processing to you, including your right to object to it.

4. Our lawful basis for using this data

We will only use your personal information when the law allows us to. The situations in which we will process your personal information are as follows:

- Making a decision about whether to appoint you as a governor
- Dealing with any processes for the election of governors
- Checking your suitability to be a governor
- Complying with our general safeguarding obligations
- Providing information on our website about our governors
- Financial information such as expenses claimed
- Sending you communications connected with your role as a governor
- Making decisions about your continued appointment as a governor
- Making arrangements for the termination of your appointment
- Training and development requirements
- For the purposes of carrying out governance reviews
- Complying with health and safety obligations
- For the purposes of keeping records about governor decision-making processes, including copies of minutes, reports and other documentation
- Where you sit on a committee or a panel on a school matter we may process your name, opinions, comments and decisions attributed to you, for example if you sit on a panel for the purposes of considering a complaint, exclusion or HR issue
- In appropriate circumstances to liaise with regulatory bodies, the Department for Education, the DBS and the Local Authority about your suitability to be a governor or in connection with other regulatory matters.

Most commonly, we will use your personal information in the following circumstances:

- Where we need to comply with a legal obligation
- Where we need to protect your interests (or someone else's interests)
- Where it is needed in the public interest or for official purposes

➤ Where we have your consent

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 would go about withdrawing consent if you wish to do so.

4.1 Our basis for using special category data

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 UK data protection law:

- We have obtained your explicit consent to use your personal data in a certain way
- We need to carry out our legal obligations and in line with our data protection policy
- It is needed in the public interest and in line with our data protection policy.

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 an individual's vital interests (i.e. protect your life or someone else's life), 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 or defence of legal rights
- We need to process it for reasons of substantial public interest as defined in legislation

5. Collecting this data

While the majority of information we collect about you is mandatory, there is some information that can be provided voluntarily.

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
- Police forces, courts, tribunals

6. How we store this data

We keep personal information about you while you volunteer at our school. We may also keep it beyond your work at our school if this is necessary. Our record retention schedule sets out how long we keep information about governors and other volunteers.

We have put in place appropriate security measures to prevent your personal information from being accidentally lost, used or accessed in an unauthorised way, altered or disclosed.

We will dispose of your personal data securely when we no longer need it.

7. Who we share data with

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

Where it is legally required, or necessary (and it complies with UK data protection law), we may share personal information about you with:

- Our local authority (Gloucestershire County Council) – to meet our legal obligations to share certain information with it, such as safeguarding concerns
- Government departments or agencies
- Ofsted
- Our auditors
- Health authorities
- Security organisations
- Professional advisers and consultants
- Police forces, courts, tribunals

8. Your rights

8.1 How to access personal information that we hold about you

You have a right to make a 'subject access request' to gain access to personal information that we hold about you.

If you make a subject access request, and if we do hold information about you, we will (subject to any exemptions that may apply):

- 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 contact us.

8.2 Your other rights regarding your data

Under UK data protection law, you have certain rights regarding how your personal data is used and kept safe. For example, you have the right to:

- Object to our use of your personal data
- 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
- In certain circumstances, have the personal data we hold about you deleted or destroyed, or restrict its 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 us.

9. 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 by contacting our Head Teacher in the first instance or Data Protection Officer (contact details below).

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

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

10. Contact us

If you have any questions, concerns or would like more information about anything mentioned in this privacy notice, please contact our **Data Protection Officer**:

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