

Your Personal Data: Community Services, Policy & Performance

What we need

Mid Sussex District Council will be what's known as the 'Controller' of the personal data you provide to us. The data we collect may include personal data and sensitive personal data. This may consist of name, address, bank details, health details, and work, financial, documentation relating to eligibility for council services.

Why we need it

We need to know your basic personal data in order to provide you with council services. We will not collect any personal data from you we do not need in order to provide and oversee these services. Information you provide will only be used for access to services we have your consent for.

What we do with it

All the personal data we process is processed by our staff in the UK however for the purposes of IT hosting and maintenance this information is located on servers within the European Union. No 3rd parties have access to your personal data unless the law allows them to do so, or we have your consent to do so.

How long we keep it

We carefully consider the personal data that we store, and we will not keep your information in a form that identifies you for longer than is necessary for the purposes set out in this notice or as required by applicable law. In some instances, we are required to hold data for minimum periods: for example, certain UK laws currently specify fixed time periods for retention of some of your personal data. We will keep your data for 6 years, plus current year if we are required to by law and or the service request requires us to do so (for example this may be a complex long standing service request). Any data being held outside of the above criteria will be securely disposed of within a 2 year period.

What are your rights?

You have the right to request a copy of the information that we hold about you. If you would like a copy of some or all of your personal data please email or write to the Data Protection Officer – see contact details below.

We want to make sure that your personal information is accurate and up to date. If at any point you believe the information we process on you is incorrect you may request to see this information and even have it corrected or deleted.

If you wish to raise a complaint on how we have handled your personal data, you can contact our Data Protection Officer who will investigate the matter.

If you are not satisfied with our response or believe we are not processing your personal data in accordance with the law you can complain to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) - <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>.

To contact our Data Protection Officer you can email foi@midsussex.gov.uk or write to
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