

## PRIVACY POLICY

Blyford and Sotherton Parish Council (**the Council**) is committed to protecting the privacy of your personal information. For the purpose of applicable data protection law, including the Data Protection Act 1998 and, from its entry into force on 25 May 2018, the General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/679) (together, **DP Law**), the Council is the data controller. Our Privacy Notice explains what we do with any personal information which we collect from you when you interact with us.

This Privacy Notice explains how we collect, use and disclose personal information about you when you visit the site and when you contact us, whether by e-mail, post or telephone.

**By interacting with us you consent to the use of your personal information as described in this Notice (as amended from time to time).**

### What type of personal information do we collect?

The personal information we collect from you is used primarily to enable us to provide the specific service you require.

Personal information can include the following:

- your title, forename and surname.
- your personal or work related (depending on which you choose to submit) e-mail address
- your personal or work related contact details (depending on which you choose to submit) such as your telephone number(s) and postal address;

### The legal basis for our use and other processing of your personal information under DP Law

This will include (as relevant):

- processing your personal information so that we may perform our obligations
- processing for legitimate interests provided these are not overridden by your interests and fundamental rights and freedoms. For example, this is relevant when we use and process your personal data to deal with our legal and regulatory and internal governance obligations
- processing which is necessary for compliance with our legal obligations laid down by European Union law (where relevant) and by English Laws applicable to us in the United Kingdom ("**Our Legal Obligations**").
- Your consent may also be a lawful reason for processing your personal data in certain cases ("**Your Consent**"). This means your freely given, specific, informed and unambiguous consent which may be collected from you, for instance: when you apply to rent an allotment/ garage or lodge a concern/complaint. You should be aware that you are entitled under DP Law to withdraw your consent where you have given it to us at any time. If you do this and if there is no alternative lawful reason for us to rely on to justify our use or other processing on your personal data, this may affect our ability to provide you with some of our services.

In summary, we need certain categories of personal data in order to provide you with our services.

We have explained below the purposes for which we may use information about you. As with the section above, we have explained why we use your information with reference to the relevant legal basis. Presenting the information in this way will make it easier for you to understand your rights in relation to your personal information, and this is explained further below in the sections headed "Your rights to access your personal information" and "Your rights under DP Law":

**We may use your personal information for the following Legitimate interests:**

- to respond and/or deal with your request or enquiry;
- for internal record keeping;
- to contact you by e-mail or phone either of the above reasons;

**Your Contract**

- to perform any contract the Council has with you;

**How long do we keep your personal information for (and the criteria used to determine this)?**

Your personal data will not be kept for longer than is necessary to fulfil the specific purposes outlined in this Notice and to allow us to comply with our legal requirements.

**Does the Council share my personal information with third parties?**

We may disclose specific information upon lawful request by HMRC, government authorities, law enforcement and regulatory authorities where required or permitted by law and for tax or other purposes. Personal information may also be released to external parties in response to legal process, and when required to comply with laws, or to protect the rights, property or safety of the Council and our employees.

We will not sell your personal information to any third party

**Will my personal information be transferred abroad? No**

**Your rights to access your personal information**

You have a number of other rights in respect of your personal information under applicable DP Law. These include the right to access or obtain copies of your personal information and to have inaccurate information about you corrected.

To exercise your right to access your personal data please write to:

The Parish Clerk  
Aisling  
Westhall  
Suffolk  
IP19 8NU  
Email: [clerkblyfordandsothertonpc@gmail.com](mailto:clerkblyfordandsothertonpc@gmail.com)

## **Your rights under DP Law**

As well as the right to access the personal information we hold about you, you have a number of other rights in respect of your personal information under DP Law. These may include (as relevant):

- the right to access or obtain copies of your personal information that we hold (see above);
- the right to rectification, including to require us to correct inaccurate personal data;
- the right to request restriction of processing concerning you or to object to processing of your personal data;
- the right to request the erasure of your personal data where it is no longer necessary for us to retain it;
- the right to data portability including to obtain personal data in a commonly used machine readable format in certain circumstances such as where our processing of it is based on your consent;
- the right to object to automated decision making including profiling (if any) that has a legal or significant effect on you as an individual; and
- the right to withdraw your consent to any processing for which you have previously given that consent.

Please be aware that some of these rights will only become relevant when changes to DP Law come into force in May 2018.

## **Your right to complain to the data privacy supervisory authority**

Without prejudice to any other administrative or judicial remedy you might have, you have the right to lodge a complaint with the UK's Information Commissioner if you consider that we have infringed applicable data privacy laws when processing your personal data. In the **UK** the Information Commissioner's Office can be contacted using the following link: <https://ico.org.uk/>.

## **Keeping you informed**

We will keep your details on record until we have completely dealt with your request, enquiry or application and then for a reasonable period afterwards, in accordance with data protection and other applicable legislation.

The Council may keep your details on record for as long as is necessary for the purposes set out above and will then endeavour to delete your details in accordance with data protection and other applicable legislation.

## **Changes to this Notice**

We keep this Notice under regular review. We may change this Notice from time to time by updating this page in order to reflect changes in the law and/or our privacy practices. The date at the top of this Notice will be updated accordingly and we encourage you to check this from time to time for any updates or changes. Where you have provided us with your email address, we may also contact you to let you know that we have updated the Notice.