



PRIVACY NOTICE FOR THE SCHOOL WORKFORCE

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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 we employ, or otherwise engage to work at our school.

Our trust, Shirley High School, Shirley Church Road, Croydon, CR0 5EF, is the ‘data controller’ for the purposes of UK data protection law.

Our data protection officer is Mrs Maeve Garcia (see ‘Contact us’ below).

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:

- 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
- Performance information
- Outcomes of any disciplinary and/or grievance procedures
- Absence data
- Copy of driving licence

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
- Sickness records
- Photographs and CCTV images captured in school
- Trade union membership



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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.

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. How we Use your Information

We will only use your personal information when the law allows us to. Most commonly, we will use your information in the following circumstances: -

- Where we need to perform the contract we have entered into with you
- Where we need to comply with a legal obligation (such as health and safety legislation, under statutory codes of practice and employment protection legislation)
- Where it is needed in the public interest or for official purposes
- Where it is necessary for our legitimate interests (or those of a third party) and your interests, rights and freedoms do not override those interests.
- When you have provided us with consent to process your personal data.

We need all the categories of information in the list above primarily to allow us to perform our contract with you and to enable us to comply with legal obligations.

Please note that we may process your information without your knowledge or consent, where this is required or permitted by law.

The situations in which we will process your personal information are listed below: -

- To determine recruitment and selection decisions on prospective employees
- In order to carry out effective performance of the employees contract of employment and to maintain employment records
- To comply with regulatory requirements and good employment practice
- To carry out vetting and screening of applicants and current staff in accordance with regulatory and legislative requirements
- Enable the development of a comprehensive picture of the workforce and how it is deployed and managed
- To enable management and planning of the workforce, including accounting and auditing
- Personnel management including retention, sickness and attendance
- Performance reviews, managing performance and determining performance requirements
- In order to manage internal policy and procedure
- Human resources administration including pensions, payroll and benefits
- To determine qualifications for a particular job or task, including decisions about promotions
- Evidence for possible disciplinary or grievance processes
- Complying with legal obligations
- To monitor and manage staff access to our systems and facilities in order to protect our networks, the personal data of our employees and for the purposes of safeguarding
- To monitor and protect the security of our network and information, including preventing unauthorised access to our computer network and communications systems and preventing malicious software distribution
- Education, training and development activities



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- To monitor compliance with equal opportunities legislation
- To answer questions from insurers in respect of any insurance policies which relate to you
- Determinations about continued employment or engagement
- Arrangements for the termination of the working relationship
- Dealing with post-termination arrangements
- Health and safety obligations
- Prevention and detection of fraud or other criminal offences
- To defend the School in respect of any investigation or court proceedings and to comply with any court or tribunal order for disclosure.

Some of the above grounds for processing will overlap and there may be several grounds which justify our use of your personal information.

If you fail to provide certain information when requested, we may not be able to perform the contract we have entered into with you (such as paying you or providing a benefit), or we may be prevented from complying with our legal obligations (such as to ensure the health and safety of our workers).

We will only use your personal information for the purposes for which we collected it, unless we reasonably consider that we need to use it for another reason and that reason is compatible with the original purpose. If we need to use your personal information for an unrelated purpose, we will notify you and we will explain the legal basis which allows us to do so.

3.1 How We Use Particularly Sensitive Information

Sensitive personal information (as defined under the GDPR as “special category data”) require higher levels of protection and further justification for collecting, storing and using this type of personal information. We may process this data in the following circumstances: -

- In limited circumstances, with your explicit written consent
- Where we need to carry out our legal obligations in line with our data protection policy
- Where it is needed in the public interest, such as for equal opportunities monitoring (or in relation to our pension scheme)
- Where it is needed to assess your working capacity on health grounds, subject to appropriate confidentiality safeguards. Less commonly, we may process this type of information where it is needed in relation to legal claims or where it is necessary to protect your interests (or someone else’s interests) and you are not capable of giving your consent.

We will use this information in the following ways: -

- Collecting information relating to leave of absence, which may include sickness absence or family related leave
- To comply with employment and other laws
- Collecting information about your physical or mental health, or disability status, to ensure your health and welfare in the workplace and to assess your fitness to work, to provide appropriate workplace adjustments, to manage sickness absence and to administer benefits
- Collecting information about your race or national or ethnic origin, religious, philosophical or moral beliefs, or sexual life or sexual orientation, to ensure meaningful equal opportunity monitoring and reporting.
- To record trade union membership information to pay trade union premiums and to comply with employment law obligations



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3.2 Criminal Convictions

We may only use information relating to criminal convictions where the law allows us to do so. This will usually be where it is necessary to carry out our legal obligations. We will only collect information about criminal convictions if it is appropriate given the nature of the role and where we are legally able to do so.

Where appropriate we will collect information about criminal convictions as part of the recruitment process or we may be notified of such information directly by you in the course of working for us.

4. 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

5. How we store this data

We keep personal information about you while you work at our school. We may also keep it beyond your employment at our school if this is necessary. Our Data Retention Policy sets out how long we keep information about staff.

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.

6. Who we share data with

We may need to share your data with third parties, including third party service providers where required by law, where it is necessary to administer the working relationship with you or where we have another legitimate interest in doing so. These include the following: -

- the Department for Education (DfE)
- Ofsted
- Prospective Employers
- Welfare services (such as social services)
- Law enforcement officials such as police, HMRC
- LADO
- Training providers
- Professional advisors such as lawyers and consultants
- Support services (including HR support, insurance, IT support, information security, pensions and payroll)
- The Local Authority
- Occupational Health



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- DBS
- Recruitment and supply agencies.

Information will be provided to those agencies securely or anonymised where possible.

The recipient of the information will be bound by confidentiality obligations, we require them to respect the security of your data and to treat it in accordance with the law.

7. Your rights

7.1 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 (see 'Contact us' below).

7.2 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 (see 'Contact us' below).



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8. 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.

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

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

9. 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**:

Mrs Maeve Garcia

Address: Shirley High School, Shirley Church Road, Croydon, CR0 5EF

Email: dpo@shirley.croydon.sch.uk

We want all at SHS to believe in and maintain the values of our school:

