

Privacy Notice National Fraud Initiative

1. In providing us with your personal information you hereby acknowledge that Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council is the Data Controller for all the personal information which we hold on you (for the purpose of the General Data Protection Regulation 2016 (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA)).
2. The personal data which we hold in respect of you will be used by the Council (pursuant to it carrying out its various statutory and business functions) for the following purposes:

The Council is required by law to protect the public funds we administer and in order to ensure that taxpayer's money is not taken out of the system fraudulently we participate in the National Fraud Initiative

The Auditor General for Wales (the Auditor General) reviews the accounts of the Council and requires us to participate in data matching exercises to help in the prevention and detection of fraud.

Data matching involves comparing computer records held by one body against other computer records held by the same or another body, in order to assess how far they match. This is usually personal information.

We are required to provide specific sets of data to the Auditor General for matching for each exercise and these are set out in the Wales Audit Office guidance at <http://www.audit.wales/about-us/national-fraud-initiative>

The use of data by the Auditor General is carried out under his powers in Part 3 of the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004. It does not require the consent of the individuals under the General Data Protection Regulation to carry out this data matching process.

Data matching by the Auditor General is subject to a Code of Practice details of which can be found at http://www.audit.wales/sites/default/files/download_documents/The_Auditor_General%27s_Code_of_Data_Matching_English.pdf

3. As a Data Controller the Council is required under GDPR to inform you which of the Article 6 GDPR “Data Processing Conditions” it is relying upon to lawfully process your personal data. In this respect please be advised that in regards to the data provided by you we are relying on the following two Article 6 conditions;
 - i. “The data processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation to which the controller is subject”. (Article 6(c) GDPR).
 - ii. “The data processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller.” (Article 6(e) GDPR).
4. We may share your personal data securely with the following third parties (i.e. persons/bodies/entities outside the Council) in accordance with data sharing arrangements which we have in place with those third parties:

Cabinet Office, Department for Work & Pensions, Other Council and other public bodies which we are required to share with under a legal duty imposed on us by law.
5. The personal information held in relation to you and used for the purposes of the National Fraud Initiative will be held by the Council for a period of 6 years from the commencement of the initiative.
6. Please note that we are required to collect certain personal data under statutory requirements and in such cases a failure by you to provide that information to us may result in the Council being unable to provide you with a service and/or could render you liable to legal proceedings.
7. We would inform you that under Article 21 GDPR you have the right at any time to object to the Authority about the fact that we are processing your personal data for the purposes of carrying out a public task or exercising our official authority.

8. The Council will not transfer any of your personal data outside of the European Union. All processing of your personal data by us will be carried out in the United Kingdom or other European Union countries.
9. The Council will not use your personal data for the purposes of automated decision making.
10. Please be advised that under GDPR individuals are given the following rights in regards to their personal data:
 - i. The right of access to their personal data held by a data controller.
 - ii. The right to have inaccurate data corrected by a data controller.
 - iii. The right to have their data erased (in certain limited circumstances).
 - iv. The right to restrict the processing of their data by a data controller (in certain limited circumstances).
 - v. The right to object to their data being used for direct marketing.
 - vi. The right to data portability (i.e. electronic transfer of data to another data controller).

Further information on all the above rights may be obtained from the Information Commissioner's website: www.ico.org.uk.

11. In the event that you have any queries regarding our use of your personal data, you wish to have access to the same or you wish to make any complaint regarding the processing of your personal data please contact the Council's Data Protection Officer at the Directorate of Finance & Corporate Services, Civic Centre, Port Talbot, SA13 1PJ.

12. Please be advised that in the event that you make a request or a complaint to the Council's Data Protection Officer (see 11 above) and you are dissatisfied with the Council's response you are entitled to complain directly to the Information Commissioner's Office. Details of the Commissioner's Office contact details and further information on your rights may be obtained from the Commissioner's website – www.ico.org.uk.