



# Bealings Primary School

GDPR Privacy Notice to Governors  
October 2020

Under data protection law, individuals have a right to be informed about how the 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 **Governors** at our school.

We, Bealings School, are the 'data controller' for the purposes of data protection law. Our data protection officer Tracey Riches (see 'Contact us' below).

## The personal data we hold

We process data relating to our Governors in school. 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
- Emergency contact numbers (in particular for the Chair of Governors within the Business Continuity Plan and Critical Incident Policy)
- Photographs
- Pecuniary Interests

We may also collect, store and use information about you that falls into "special categories" of more sensitive personal data. This includes information about (where applicable):

- Court Proceedings or the commission or alleged commission of an offence (on DBS checks)

## Why we use this data

The purpose of processing this data is to help us run the school, including to:

- Provide effective communication between school and Governors
- Enable the school to comply with its obligations for Ofsted and Department for Education (GIAS website)
- Enable School Governance

## Our lawful basis for using this data

We only collect and use personal information about you when the law allows us to. Most commonly, we use it where we need to:

- Comply with a legal obligation
- Carry out a task in the public interest



- Where we are required to publish information regarding Governance on the school website

Less commonly, we may also use personal information about you where:

- You have given us consent to use it in a certain way
- We need to protect your vital interests (or someone else's interests)
- We have legitimate interests in processing the data – for example, where:  
Information is required to be provided to Department for Education or published on the school website.

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 go about withdrawing consent if you wish to do so.

Some of the reasons listed above for collecting and using personal information about you overlap, and there may be several grounds which justify the school's use of your data.

### **Collecting this information**

While the majority of information we collect from you is mandatory, there is some information that you can choose whether or not to provide to us.

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.

### **How we store this data**

We create and maintain records for Governors. The information contained in this file is kept secure and is only used for purposes directly relevant to your official role.

Once your term of office with us has ended, we will retain this file and delete the information in it in accordance with our records management policy which incorporates a retention schedule compiled by the [Information and Records Management Society's toolkit for schools](#)

### **Data sharing**

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

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

- Our local authority – to meet our legal obligations to share certain information with it concerning Governance
- The Department for Education
- Our regulator Ofsted,
- Central and local government
- Our auditors
- Disclosure and Barring Service



### **Transferring data internationally**

Where we transfer personal data to a country or territory outside the European Economic Area, we will do so in accordance with data protection law.

### **Your rights**

#### **How to access personal information we hold about you**

Individuals have a right to make a **'subject access request'** to gain access to personal information that the school holds about them.

If you make a subject access request, and if we do hold information about you, we will:

- 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 our data protection officer.

#### **Your other rights regarding your data**

Under data protection law, individuals have certain rights regarding how their personal data is used and kept safe. You have the right to:

- Object to the use of your personal data if it would cause, or is causing, damage or distress
- Prevent your data being used to send direct marketing
- Object to 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, deleted or destroyed, or restrict processing
- Claim compensation for damages caused by a breach of the data protection regulations

To exercise any of these rights, please contact our data protection officer.

### **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.



To make a complaint, please contact our Data Protection Officer.

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

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

### **Contact us**

If you would like to discuss anything in this privacy notice, please contact:

Data Controller: Bealings School, Sandy Lane, Little Bealings, Woodbridge, IP13 6LW  
Tel: 01473 622376, Email: [admin@bealings.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:admin@bealings.suffolk.sch.uk)

Data Protection Officer: Tracey Riches Tel: 01473 62237 Email: [tracey.riches@clear7.co.uk](mailto:tracey.riches@clear7.co.uk)

*This notice is based on the [Department for Education's model privacy notice](#) for pupils, amended for parents and to reflect the way we use data in this school.*