

Your Personal Data: Planning Policy and Economic Development

What we need

Mid Sussex District Council will be what is 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, email address, comments etc.

Legal basis for processing

Processing of personal information is carried out in accordance with Article 6 of the UK General Data Processing Regulation (UK GDPR):

- Processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation
- 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

and in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018, Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

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, in accordance with the relevant regulations (in particular the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012) for:

- Service delivery e.g. delivery of Local Plans
- Making planning policies
- Working with neighbourhoods on their plans
- Working with neighbouring authorities on strategic policies
- Research including consultations
- Communications
- Monitoring development

What we do with it

All the personal data we process is processed by our staff in the UK. No third parties have access to your personal data unless the law allows them to do so. In processing your data, we may also share it with an appointed Planning Inspector/Examiner and their Programme Officers, in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012) and Planning Inspectorate guidance.

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 months after the document you have commented on has been adopted.

What are your rights?

You have the right to request a copy of the information that we hold about you. This is known as a Data Subject Access Request. 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 dataprotection@midsussex.gov.uk or write to

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Mid Sussex District Council
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Haywards Heath, RH16 1SS

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