

# BEXHILL-ON-SEA TOWN COUNCIL PRIVACY NOTICE

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# I. Your personal data - what is it?

Personal data relates to a living individual who can be identified from that data. Identification can be by the information alone or in conjunction with any other information in the data controller's possession or likely to come into such possession. The processing of personal data is governed by the General Data Protection Regulation (the "GDPR").

#### 2. Who are we?

Bexhill-on-Sea Town Council is the data controller (contact details below). This means it decides how your personal data is processed and for what purposes.

# 3. GDPR - Privacy Notice

Bexhill-on-Sea Town Council takes the protection of your data seriously. Our aim is to provide a personalised and valuable service whilst safeguarding our users' privacy. Collecting some personal information is necessary if we are to satisfy the expectations and requirements of our users and we have set out below what we will do with your personal information.

#### 4. Visitors to this web site

When someone visits our website, we or the website administrators use a third party service, such as Google Analytics, to collect standard internet log information and details of visitor behaviour patterns. We and they do this to find out things such as the number of visitors to the various parts of the site. This information is only processed by us in a way which does not identify anyone. If we do want to collect personally identifiable information through our website, we will be up front about this. We will make it clear when we collect personal information and will explain what we intend to do with it.

# 5. Security and Performance

We use a third party service to help maintain the security and performance of our website. To deliver this service it processes the IP addresses of visitors to the site.

#### 6. Links to other websites

This privacy notice does not cover the links within the website linking to other websites. We encourage you to read the privacy statements on the other websites you visit.

## 7. Use of Cookies

This site uses cookies to maintain and keep track of users' preferences and authenticated sessions, to identify technical issues, user trends and effectiveness of campaigns, and to monitor and improve the overall performance.

## 8. Disclosure of personal information

We collect contact details for the purposes of providing a service to existing and potential correspondents and residents. We will never disclose personal details without the consent of the owner unless required to by law. Details are only held for as long as is necessary for Town Council business, normally not more than 7 years.

# 9. Your rights and your personal data

Unless subject to an exemption under the GDPR, you have the following rights with respect to your personal data: -

- The right to request a copy of your personal data which Bexhill-on-Sea Town Council holds about you;
- The right to request that Bexhill-on-Sea Town Council corrects any personal data if it is found to be inaccurate or out of date;
- The right to request your personal data is erased where it is no longer necessary for Bexhill-on-Sea Town Council to retain such data:
- The right to withdraw your consent to the processing at any time
- The right to request that the data controller provide the data subject with his/her personal data and where possible, to transmit that data directly to another data controller, (known as the right to data portability), (where applicable) [Only applies where the processing is based on consent or is necessary for the performance of a contract with the data subject and in either case the data controller processes the data by automated means].
- The right, where there is a dispute in relation to the accuracy or processing of your personal data, to request a restriction is placed on further processing;
- The right to object to the processing of personal data, (where applicable) [Only applies where processing is based on legitimate interests (or the performance of a task in the public interest/exercise of official authority); direct marketing and processing for the purposes of scientific/historical research and statistics]
- The right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioners Office.

# 10. Access to personal information

Individuals can find out if we hold any personal information by making a 'subject access request' under the General Data Protection Regulations. If we do hold information about you we will:

- give you a description of it;
- tell you why we are holding it;
- tell you who it could be disclosed to; and
- let you have a copy of the information in an intelligible form.

Please make any such request in writing via our email address clerk@bexhilltowncouncil.gov.uk. We will normally respond within 20 days.

## II. How the information you provide will be used.

General Data Protection Regulations - Any personal information such as name, postal address, telephone number, and email address given via this website/form will only be used to provide a requested service, kept for as long as necessary to provide that service and will not be disclosed to any other third party without your prior permission or unless we are required to do so by law.

If at any time you feel that we have failed to meet these standards then please contact our Clerk at clerk@bexhilltowncouncil.gov.uk or make a complaint direct to the Information Commissioner using their website www.ico.org.uk/concerns