



Fair Processing Notice

Essex Police collects and uses personal information so that it can carry out its legal and legitimate functions as defined by legislation, common law and best practice. We use information for our policing purpose which includes:

- Protecting Life and Property
- Preserving Order
- Preventing the Commission of Offences
- Bringing Offenders to Justice
- Any duty or responsibility of the police arising from common or statute law

Essex Police will hold personal information relating to a range of individuals including victims, witnesses, complainants, suspects and offenders, in connection with our policing purpose as well as details of visitors to the Force and others who work for or with the Force.

Information is handled in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018, which set out the principles of good information handling practice governing the fair and lawful processing, maintenance and security of data.

The legislation affords individuals with several rights in relation to the processing of their personal data. For further information, please see the Information Charter which can be found on the Essex Police website.

Data is held in accordance with the College of Policing Authorised Professional Practice: Information Management and with the Force's Review, Retention and Deletion Schedule.

Information held by Essex Police may be shared with other organisations where this is necessary for a policing purpose. For example, data may be shared:

- With Criminal Justice systems as part of the pre-charge and post-charge processes e.g. when prosecuting someone through the Court
- When working with partner agencies to reduce crime and disorder and anti-social behaviour as required by the Crime and Disorder Act
- With the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS), who provides information to organisations to enable them to make safer recruitment decisions by identifying potential candidates who may be unsuitable to work with children or vulnerable members of society
- With other professional and regulatory bodies
- Where specifically required to do so by statute or by Order of the Court

For further details on how we use information, your information rights, partner working arrangements, retention periods and how to complain, please visit: www.essex.police.uk or contact the Data Protection Officer, Andy Begent: dpo@essex.pnn.police.uk